

## Legal notice

FTTH Council Europe ASBL created this website and manages its content. The website and information communicated on it may be used only provided that the conditions of use outlined below are complied with. When you use this website, you automatically and unconditionally acknowledge having read, understood and accepted these terms of use, including the privacy statement and the cookie statement.

## Entity responsible for the content of this website

FTTH Council Europe ASBL, Rue de la Presse 4, 1000 Brussels, Belgium

If there are any questions regarding this privacy policy, you may contact us by mail:

### Contact

Email: [info@ftthcouncil.eu](mailto:info@ftthcouncil.eu)

### Registration

Registered in the Commercial Register

Company Registry number: BE 0867660545

Value Added Tax Identification Number: BE 0867660545

Legal form: ASBL (Association Sans But Lucratif)

### Identity

FTTH Council Europe ASBL is a not-for-profit association within the meaning of the Belgian Companies and Associations Code of 23 March 2019.

## Privacy statement, cookie statement and terms of use

### Privacy statement

This privacy statement describes how FTTH Council Europe ASBL collects, uses, consults or otherwise processes your personal data in the context of your visit of the website.

THIS PRIVACY STATEMENT INCLUDES A DESCRIPTION OF YOUR DATA PROTECTION RIGHTS, INCLUDING A RIGHT TO OBJECT TO SOME OF THE PROCESSING ACTIVITIES WE CARRY OUT.

For the purpose of this policy, the following term "**Data Protection Legislation**" shall mean the Regulation 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data (the "**GDPR**"), as well as any legislation and/or regulation implementing or created pursuant to the GDPR and the e-Privacy legislation, or which amends, replaces, re-enacts or consolidates any of them, and all other national applicable laws relating to processing of personal data and privacy that may exist under applicable law.

For the purpose of this policy, "controller", "processor", "third party", "supervisory authority", "personal data", "processing", "data subject", shall have the meanings set out in the applicable Data Protection Legislation.

### How does FTTH Council Europe process your personal data?

As a rule, using our website is possible without disclosing any personal data. To the extent that personal data (such as name, address or e-mail addresses) are collected on our site, this will be made, to any possible extent, on a voluntary basis.

We point to the fact that the transmission of data in the Internet (e.g. during e-mail communication) may be subject to security gaps. A perfect protection of data from access by third parties is not possible.

### **Newsletters and marketing communications**

If you have explicitly consented to receive our newsletters or marketing communications, including in relation to FTTH conferences and events and/or in relation to overall activities (Fibre Horizon newsletter), we may, from time to time, contact you with information about our services, activities and latest offers and process your personal data for this purpose.

For the purpose of receiving our newsletters and marketing communications, we will process the following personal data: first name, last name, email address, company and job title, which we receive directly from you when subscribing to our newsletter or other marketing communications.

These personal data will only be used for the delivery of the requested information and will not be passed on to third parties, apart from IT service providers.

If you no longer want to receive our newsletters or marketing communications, please let us know by sending us an email at [info@ftthcouncil.eu](mailto:info@ftthcouncil.eu). You can also unsubscribe from our marketing emails by clicking on the unsubscribe link in the emails sent to you.

### **How long do we keep your personal data?**

We retain your personal data for as long as is required to fulfil the activities set out in this privacy statement, for as long as otherwise communicated to you or for as long as is permitted by applicable law. For example, we may retain your personal data if it is reasonably necessary to comply with any legal obligations, meet any regulatory requirements or resolve any disputes or litigation.

### **Sharing of your personal data**

We will share your personal data with the following (categories of) recipients located within the EEA:

- IT service providers

### **Your rights and requests**

**Right to withdraw consent:** whenever your personal data is processed on the basis of your consent, you have the right to withdraw your consent at any time you choose and on your own initiative. You can do so by contacting us through the email address indicated below. The withdrawal of your consent will not affect the lawfulness of the collection and processing of your data based on your consent up until the moment where you withdraw your consent.

You also have the following rights related to the processing of personal data:

- **Right to access, review, and rectify your data:** you have the right to access, review, and rectify your personal data. You may be entitled to ask us for a copy of your information, to review or correct it if you wish to review or rectify any information;
- **Right to erasure:** you have the right to erasure of all the personal data processed as described herein in case it is no longer needed for the purposes for which the personal data was initially collected or processed, in accordance with the GDPR and other applicable data protection legislation;
- **Right to object or restriction of processing:** under certain circumstances described in the GDPR and other applicable data protection legislation, you may ask for a restriction of processing or object to the processing of your personal data, in particular to processing for purposes of direct marketing;
- **Right to data portability:** you have the right to receive the personal data processed in a format which is structured, commonly used and machine-readable and to transmit this data to another service provider.

To exercise your rights, or if you require further information about how we use your personal data, please contact: [info@ftthcouncil.eu](mailto:info@ftthcouncil.eu)

Should you have unresolved concerns, you have the right to lodge a complaint with a data protection supervisory authority where you live or where you believe a breach may have occurred.

We encourage you to come to us in the first instance but, to the extent that this right applies to you, you are entitled to complain directly to the relevant supervisory authority.

## Cookie statement

A cookie is a small text file that can be stored on your computer when you visit websites. Information is saved in this text file, such as your choice of language on a website. When you visit the website later again, this cookie returns to the concerned website. In this way, the website recognizes your browser and can for example retain your choice of language.

Cookies usually also have an expiration date. For example, some cookies are automatically deleted when you close your browser (so-called session cookies), while others can be stored longer on your computer, sometimes until you delete them manually (so-called permanent cookies).

### Why do we use cookies?

FTTH Council Europe ASBL uses 3 types of cookies on its website.

- Essential cookies;
- Functional cookies;
- Cookies for analytical purposes.

FTTH Council Europe ASBL uses essential and functional cookies to manage the content of its website. These cookies are necessary for the proper functioning of this website. It is not possible to refuse these cookies if you want to visit our website.

We also use Google Analytics tool to value our website insights. Google Analytics is a web analysis service provided by Google. Google utilizes the data collected to track and examine the use of our websites, to prepare reports on its activities and share them with other Google services. Google may use the data collected to contextualize and personalize the ads of its own advertising network. Further information concerning the terms and conditions of use and data privacy can be found at [http://www.google.com/intl/en\\_uk/analytics/terms/gb.html](http://www.google.com/intl/en_uk/analytics/terms/gb.html) or at [http://www.google.com/intl/en\\_uk/analytics/privacyoverview.html](http://www.google.com/intl/en_uk/analytics/privacyoverview.html)

You may refuse to accept cookies by activating the setting on your browser which allows you to refuse the setting of cookies. However, if you select this setting you may be unable to access certain parts of our website.

### List of essential cookies

These cookies are necessary for purely technical reasons for a normal visit of the website. Given the technical necessity, an information obligation solely applies, and these cookies are saved from the moment you access the website.

Name	Expiry	Purpose
PHPSESSID	At the end of the session	This cookie is native to PHP applications. The cookie is used to store and identify a users' unique session ID for the purpose of managing user session on the website. The cookie is a session cookies and is deleted when all the browser windows are closed.

### List of functional cookies

These cookies are necessary for the proper functioning of this website. You cannot block these cookies if you want to access this website.

Name	Expiry	Purpose
__atuvc	1 year	This cookie is set by Addthis to make sure you see the updated count if you share a page and return to it before

		our share count cache is updated.
__atuvs	30 minutes	This cookie is set by Addthis to make sure you see the updated count if you share a page and return to it before our share count cache is updated.

### List of analytical cookies

You may refuse to accept cookies by activating the setting on your browser which allows you to refuse the setting of cookies.

Name	Expiry	Purpose
_ga	2 years	This cookie is installed by Google Analytics. The cookie is used to calculate visitor, session, campaign data and keep track of site usage for the site's analytics report. The cookies store information anonymously and assign a randomly generated number to identify unique visitors.
_gid	1 day	This cookie is installed by Google Analytics. The cookie is used to store information of how visitors use a website and helps in creating an analytics report of how the website is doing. The data collected including the number visitors, the source where they have come from, and the pages visited in an anonymous form.
_gat_gtag_UA_129173724_1	1 minute	Google uses this cookie to distinguish users.
uvc	1 year	The cookie is set by addthis.com to determine the usage of Addthis.com service.
loc	1 year	This cookie is set by Addthis. This is a geolocation cookie to understand where the users sharing the information are located.

### How can I see which cookies are saved in my device and how can I delete them?

If you wish to know which cookies have been saved on your device or if you can delete them, you can use a parameter of your browser. You will find more information on how to do it via the following links.

Firefox: [general](#) – [mobile](#)

Chrome: [general](#) – [mobile](#)

Safari: [general](#) – [mobile](#)

Internet Explorer: [general](#)

If you use another browser, you can check if the procedure for your browser is mentioned in [this explanatory website](#).

## Website terms of use

## **You will only use our website in accordance with its purpose and in accordance with applicable law**

In particular, you will refrain from:

- using a false identity;
- sending us false or illegal content, junk mail, content that violates or causes damage to the rights of a third party;
- violation of unauthorized access to a part of the website;
- taking any action that may disrupt the operation of our website.

If you are aware of inappropriate behaviour or use related to our website, you can contact us at: [info@ftthcouncil.eu](mailto:info@ftthcouncil.eu).

## **Liability for content**

We, FTTH Council Europe ASBL, are responsible for our own contents on this website under applicable laws. We are not bound, however, to monitor any information transmitted or stored by third parties or to search for circumstances that could point to any unlawful activity. Although the foregoing does not affect our obligation to remove or block the use of information under applicable laws, we shall only be liable from the point in time in which it becomes actually aware of a concrete violation of law. As soon as we become aware of any violation of law, we will promptly remove such contents.

## **Third-party disclosure**

We do not sell, trade, or otherwise transfer to outside parties your personal data, except as explicitly stated in these general terms and conditions of use

## **Links to third-party websites, products and services**

Occasionally, at our discretion, we may include or offer third-party products or services on our website or include links to third-party websites. These third-party websites have separate and independent privacy policies. We therefore have no responsibility or liability for the operation, content and activities of these linked websites. Nonetheless, we seek to protect the integrity of our site and welcome any feedback about these websites. If you think that external sites linked to FTTH Council Europe ASBL's website may violate applicable laws or their contents or be otherwise inappropriate, please notify us. Unless expressly stated otherwise by FTTH Council Europe ASBL on the website, the existence of such links does not imply any approval by FTTH Council Europe ASBL regarding these third party websites or the use that could be made of them, nor any association or partnership with the operators of those websites.

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If nonetheless you should discover any copyright infringement in our site, please notify us correspondingly. If we become aware of any violation of law, we will promptly remove such contents.

### **Transparency**

FTTH Council Europe ASBL reserves the right, at any time and without prior notice, to change/update this legal notice, as well as the access to the website and its content. These changes are binding for the user each time the website is visited.

### **Applicable law and competent courts**

This website, its operation and use are governed exclusively by Belgian law. With the exception of mandatory provisions, only the courts of Brussels are competent for any dispute involving access to or use of this website.

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