

Data Protection Declaration

1) Information on the Collection of Personal Data and Contact Details of the Controller

1.1 We are pleased that you are visiting our website and thank you for your interest. In the following, we inform you about the handling of your personal data when using our website. Personal data is all data with which you can be personally identified.

1.2 The controller in charge for data processing on this website within the meaning of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) is Hermann Stahlschmidt Stahlgas. m.b.H., Formerweg 1+2, 47877 Willich, Deutschland, Tel.: 02154 / 499942, E-Mail: andreasotto@hersta.de. The controller in charge of the processing of personal data is the natural or legal person who alone or jointly with others determines the purposes and means of the processing of personal data.

1.3 The controller has designated a data protection officer for this website. He can be reached as follows: "datenschutz@hersta.de"

1.4 This website uses SSL or TLS encryption for security reasons and to protect the transmission of personal data and other confidential content (e.g. orders or inquiries to the controller). You can recognize an encrypted connection by the character string https:// and the lock symbol in your browser line.

2) Data Collection When You Visit Our Website

When using our website for information only, i.e. if you do not register or otherwise provide us with information, we only collect data that your browser transmits to our server (so-called "server log files"). When you visit our website, we collect the following data that is technically necessary for us to display the website to you:

- Our visited website
- Date and time at the moment of access
- Amount of data sent in bytes
- Source/reference from which you came to the page
- Browser used
- Operating system used
- IP address used (if applicable: in anonymized form)

Data processing is carried out in accordance with Art. 6 (1) point f GDPR on the basis of our legitimate interest in improving the stability and functionality of our website. The data will not be passed on or used in any other way. However, we reserve the right to check the server log files subsequently, if there are any concrete indications of illegal use.

3) Cookies

In order to make your visit to our website attractive and to enable the use of certain functions, we use so-called cookies on various pages. These are small text files that are stored on your end device. Some of the cookies we use are deleted after the end of the browser session, i.e. after closing your browser (so-called session cookies). Other cookies remain on your terminal and enable us or our partner companies (third-party cookies) to recognize your browser on your next visit (persistent cookies). If cookies are set, they collect and process specific user information such as browser and location data as well as IP address values according to individual requirements. Persistent cookies are automatically deleted after a specified period, which may vary depending on the cookie.

If personal data are also processed by individual cookies set by us, the processing is carried out in accordance with Art. 6 (1) point b GDPR either for the execution of the contract or in accordance with Art. 6 (1) point f GDPR to safeguard our legitimate interests in the best possible functionality of the website and a customer-friendly and effective design of the page visit.

We work together with advertising partners who help us to make our website more interesting for you. For this purpose, cookies from partner companies are also stored on your hard drive when you visit our website (third-party cookies). You will be informed individually and separately about the use of such cookies and the scope of the information collected in each case within the following sections.

Please note that you can set your browser in such a way that you are informed about the setting of cookies and you can decide individually about their acceptance or exclude the acceptance of cookies for certain cases or generally. Each browser differs in the way it manages the cookie settings. This is described in the help menu of each browser, which explains how you can change your cookie settings. You will find these for the respective browsers under the following links:

Internet Explorer:

<https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/17442/windows-internet-explorer-delete-manage-cookies>

Firefox: <https://www.mozilla.org/en-US/privacy/websites/#cookies>

Google:

<https://support.google.com/accounts/answer/61416?co=GENIE.Platform%3DDesktop&hl=en>

Safari:

<https://support.apple.com/en-gb/guide/safari/manage-cookies-and-website-data-sfri11471/mac>

Opera: <https://help.opera.com/en/latest/web-preferences/#cookies>

Please note that the functionality of our website may be limited if cookies are not accepted.

4) Contacting

In the context of contacting us (e.g. via contact form or e-mail), personal data is collected. Which data is collected in the case of a contact form can be seen from the respective contact form. This data is stored and used exclusively for the purpose of responding to your request or for establishing contact and for the associated technical administration. The legal basis for processing data is our legitimate interest in responding to your request in accordance with Art. 6 (1) point f GDPR. If your contact is aimed at concluding a contract, the additional legal basis for the processing is Art. 6 (1) point b GDPR. Your data will be deleted after final processing of your enquiry; this is the case if it can be inferred from the circumstances that the facts in question have been finally clarified, provided that there are no legal storage obligations to the contrary.

5) Use of Your Data for Direct Advertising

5.1 If you have provided us with your e-mail address when purchasing products, we reserve the right to regularly send you offers for products similar to those already purchased from our range by e-mail. Pursuant to Section 7 (3) German law against unfair competition, we do not need to obtain separate consent from you for this. In this respect, data processing is carried out solely on the basis of our legitimate interest in personalized direct advertising pursuant to Art. 6 (1) point f GDPR. If you have initially objected to the use of your e-mail address for this purpose, we will not send you an e-mail. You are entitled to object to the use of your e-mail address for the aforementioned advertising purpose at any time with effect for the future by notifying the controller named at the beginning. In this regard, you only have to pay the transmission costs according to the basic tariffs. Upon receipt of your objection, the use of your e-mail address for advertising purposes will cease immediately.

5.2 Based on our legitimate interest in personalized direct mail, we reserve the right to store your first and last name, your postal address and - if we have received this additional information from you within the framework of the contractual relationship - your title, academic degree, year of birth and your professional, industry or business name in accordance with Art. 6 (1) point f GDPR and to use them for sending interesting offers and information on our products by letter post.

You can object to the storage and use of your data for this purpose at any time by sending an appropriate message to the controller.

6) Web Analysis Services

- Matomo (formerly Piwik)

Data is collected and stored on this website using the web analysis service software Matomo (www.matomo.org), a service of InnoCraft Ltd., 150 Willis St, 6011 Wellington, New Zealand, ("Matomo"). This is done on the basis of our legitimate interest in statistical analysis of user behavior for optimization and marketing purposes pursuant to Art. 6 (1) point f GDPR. Pseudonymized user profiles can be created and evaluated from this data for the same purpose. To this end, cookies may be used. Cookies are small text

files that are stored locally in the cache of the visitor's Internet browser. The cookies allow, among other things, the internet browser to be recognized. The data collected with Matomo technology (including your pseudonymised IP address) is processed on our servers.

The information generated by the cookie in the pseudonymous user profile is not used to personally identify the visitor to this website and is not merged with personal data about the holder of the pseudonym.

If you do not agree to the storage and evaluation of this data arising from your visit, you can object to the subsequent storage and use at any time, via mouse click. In this case, a so-called opt-out cookie is stored in your browser, which means that Matomo does not collect any session data. Please note: If your cookies are completely deleted, the opt-out cookie will also be deleted, and you may have to activate it again.

To the extent required by law, we have obtained your consent to the processing of your data as described in accordance with Art. 6 (1) point a GDPR. You can withdraw your consent at any time with effect for the future. In order to exercise your right of withdrawal, please follow the procedure described above.

7) Tools and Miscellaneous

7.1 Borlabs

This website uses the cookie consent tool Borlabs of the provider Mr. Benjamin A. Bornschein, Georg-Wilhelm-Str. 17, 21107 Hamburg, Germany ("Borlabs"), which sets two technically necessary cookies ("borlabsCookie" and "borlabsCookieUnblockContent") to store your cookie preferences. The aforementioned processing takes place in accordance with Art. 6 Para. 1 lit. f GDPR on the basis of our legitimate interest in the provision of a cookie preference management system for website visitors.

The "borlabsCookie" does not process any personal data. The "borlabsCookie" stores your selected preference, which you selected upon opening the website. The "borlabsCookieUnblockContent" cookie stores which (external) media/content you always want to have automatically unblocked. If you wish to revoke these settings, simply delete the cookies in your browser. When you reenter/reload the website, you will be asked again for your cookie preferences.

7.2 Google Maps

Our website uses Google Maps (AP'I) of Google Ireland Limited, Gordon House, 4 Barrow St, Dublin, D04 E5W5, Ireland ("Google"). Google Maps is a web service for displaying interactive (country) maps in order to display geographical information visually. Using this service will show you our location and will make it easier for you to find us.

When you access the sub-pages that contain the Google Maps map, information about your use of our website (such as your IP address) is transmitted to and stored by Google on servers. When using Google Maps, personal data may also be transmitted to the servers of Google LLC. in the USA. This is regardless of whether Google provides a user account that you are logged in with or whether no user account exists. If you are logged in to Google, your information will be directly associated with your account. If you do not wish to be associated with your profile on Google, you must log out before activating the

button. Google saves your data (even for users who are not logged in) as usage profiles and evaluates them. Such an evaluation takes place according to Art. 6 (1) point f GDPR, on the basis of the legitimate interests of Google in the insertion of personalized advertising, market research and/or demand-oriented design of its website. You have the right to object to the creation of these user profiles. If you want to do so, you must contact Google to exercise this right.

If you do not agree to the future transmission of your data to Google in the context of using Google Maps, you may completely deactivate the Google Maps web service by switching off the JavaScript application in your browser. In this case, Google Maps as well as the map display on this website cannot be used.

The Google terms of use can be found at: <https://policies.google.com/terms?hl=en>. The additional terms of use can be found at:

https://www.google.com/intl/en-US_US/help/terms_maps.html.

You can find detailed information on data protection in connection with the use of Google Maps on Google's website ("Google Privacy Policy") at: <https://policies.google.com/privacy?hl=en>.

7.3 Google Web Fonts

This site uses web fonts provided by Google Ireland Limited, Gordon House, 4 Barrow St, Dublin, D04 E5W5, Ireland ("Google") to uniformly display fonts. When you call up a page, your browser loads the required web fonts into its browser cache to display texts and fonts correctly.

To do this, the browser you are using must have a connection to Google's servers. When using Google Maps, personal data may also be transmitted to the servers of Google LLC. in the USA. In this way, Google will be informed that our website has been accessed via your IP address. Google Web Fonts are used for the purpose of a uniform and attractive presentation of our online offers and its use is in our legitimate interest within the meaning of Art. 6 (1) point f GDPR. If your browser does not support web fonts, a default font is used by your computer.

Further information about Google Web Fonts can be found at <https://developers.google.com/fonts/faq> and in Google's privacy policy: <https://policies.google.com/privacy?hl=en>.

7.4 Applications for job advertisements by e-mail

On our website we advertise currently vacant positions in a separate section, for which interested parties can apply by e-mail to the contact address provided.

In order to be included in the application process, applicants must provide us with all personal data required for a well-founded and informed assessment and selection together with their application by e-mail.

The required data includes general personal information (name, address, telephone or electronic contact details) as well as performance-specific evidence of the qualifications

required for a position. Where appropriate, health-related information may also be required which, in the interests of social protection, must be given special consideration in the applicant's person under labour and social law.

Which components an application must contain in individual cases for it to be considered and in what form these components are to be sent by e-mail can be found in the respective job advertisement.

After receipt of the application sent using the specified e-mail contact address, the applicant data is stored by us and evaluated exclusively for the purpose of processing the application. For any queries arising in the course of processing the application, we will use either the e-mail address provided by the applicant with his or her application or a telephone number given.

The legal basis for these processing operations, including contact for queries, is generally Art. 6 Para. 1 lit. b GDPR, according to which the completion of the application procedure is considered to be the initiation of an employment contract.

Insofar as special categories of personal data within the meaning of Art. 9 para. 1 GDPR (e.g. health data such as information on the status of severely disabled persons) are requested from applicants in the course of the application procedure, processing is carried out in accordance with Art. 9 para. 2 letter b. GDPR so that we can exercise the rights arising from labour law and social security and social protection law and fulfil our obligations in this respect.

Cumulatively or alternatively, the processing of the special categories of data may also be based on Art. 9 para. 1 letter b GDPR if it is carried out for purposes of preventive health care or occupational medicine, for assessing the applicant's ability to work, for medical diagnosis, care or treatment in the health or social field or for the management of systems and services in the health or social field.

If, in the course of the evaluation described above, the applicant is not selected or if an applicant withdraws his or her application prematurely, his or her data transmitted by e-mail and all electronic correspondence, including the original application e-mail, will be deleted after 6 months at the latest following notification. This period is calculated on the basis of our legitimate interest in being able to answer any follow-up questions regarding the application and, if necessary, to comply with our obligations to provide evidence under the regulations on the equal treatment of applicants.

In the event of a successful application, the data provided will be further processed on the basis of Art. 6 Para. 1 letter b GDPR for the purposes of carrying out the employment relationship.

8) Rights of the Data Subject

8.1 The applicable data protection law grants you comprehensive rights of data subjects (rights of information and intervention) vis-à-vis the data controller with regard to the processing of your personal data, about which we inform you below :

- Right of access by the data subject pursuant to Art. 15 GDPR
- Right to rectification pursuant to Art. 16 GDPR
- Right to erase ("right to be forgotten") pursuant to Art. 17 GDPR
- Right to restriction of processing pursuant to Art. 18 GDPR
- Right to be informed pursuant to Art. 19 GDPR
- Right to data portability pursuant to Art. 20 GDPR
- Right to withdraw a given consent pursuant to Art. 7 (3) GDPR
- Right to lodge a complaint pursuant to Art. 77 GDPR

8.2 RIGHT TO OBJECT

IF, WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF A CONSIDERATION OF INTERESTS, WE PROCESS YOUR PERSONAL DATA ON THE BASIS OF OUR PREDOMINANT LEGITIMATE INTEREST, YOU HAVE THE RIGHT AT ANY TIME TO OBJECT TO THIS PROCESSING WITH EFFECT FOR THE FUTURE ON THE GROUNDS THAT ARISE FROM YOUR PARTICULAR SITUATION.

IF YOU EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO OBJECT, WE WILL STOP PROCESSING THE DATA CONCERNED. HOWEVER, WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO FURTHER PROCESSING IF WE CAN PROVE COMPELLING REASONS WORTHY OF PROTECTION FOR PROCESSING WHICH OUTWEIGH YOUR INTERESTS, FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS, OR IF THE PROCESSING SERVES TO ASSERT, EXERCISE OR DEFEND LEGAL CLAIMS.

IF WE PROCESS YOUR PERSONAL DATA FOR DIRECT MARKETING PURPOSES, YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO OBJECT AT ANY TIME TO THE PROCESSING OF YOUR PERSONAL DATA WHICH ARE USED FOR DIRECT MARKETING PURPOSES. YOU MAY EXERCISE THE OBJECTION AS DESCRIBED ABOVE.

IF YOU EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO OBJECT, WE WILL STOP PROCESSING THE DATA CONCERNED FOR DIRECT ADVERTISING PURPOSES.

9) Duration of Storage of Personal Data

The duration of the storage of personal data is determined by the respective legal retention period (e.g. commercial and tax retention periods). After expiry of this period, the corresponding data will be routinely deleted, provided they are no longer necessary for the performance or initiation of the contract and/or there is no longer any legitimate interest on our part in the further storage.