

# Shared responsibility information

## according to Art. 26 (2) sentence 2 of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

### What is the reason for shared accountability?

The inter-university Doctoral Center for Engineering and Information Technologies (hereinafter also referred to as "Doctoral Center") is a joint institution of the Anhalt, Merseburg and Harz Universities of Applied Sciences. The tasks are defined in the doctoral regulations of the Doctoral Center. The fulfillment of these tasks is only possible if your personal data is processed by all participating universities. The universities have defined the responsibilities of the data processing in an agreement; they are therefore jointly responsible persons in the sense of Art. 26 GDPR.

### For which processes is there joint responsibility?

Personal data are processed jointly when the doctoral procedures of the Doctoral Center are carried out. The processing of these data includes, in particular, the acceptance of doctoral candidates at the Doctoral Center, the implementation of the doctoral procedures including the final reviews and examinations, and the required statistical reporting.

There is no joint responsibility for processing that is not covered by the doctoral regulations of the Doctoral Center and is therefore not directly related to the doctoral procedure (e.g. enrollment as a doctoral student at a university, employment as an employee at a university).

### What have the parties agreed?

As part of their joint responsibility under the data protection law, the parties have agreed which of them fulfills which obligations under the GDPR. This concerns in particular exercising the rights of the data subjects and fulfilling the information obligations pursuant to Articles 13 and 14 of the GDPR. This agreement is necessary because personal data are processed in different process sections and systems operated by the respective parties when carrying out the doctoral procedure.

Process section	Fulfillment of duties by:
Storage and provision of data in a cloud	The respective university that received the application
Information of the persons concerned	The respective university that received the application
Processing of data for the fulfillment of the tasks from the doctoral regulations	Respective university
Provision of the cloud in which the data is processed	Anhalt University of Applied Sciences

### What does this mean for those affected?

Even if there is joint responsibility, the parties shall fulfill the obligations under data protection law in accordance with their respective responsibilities.

The parties shall inform each other without delay of any legal positions asserted by affected parties. They shall provide each other with all information necessary to respond to requests for information.

Data protection rights can be asserted with any party. As a rule, data subjects receive the information from the office where the rights were asserted.