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We will use the information that you are providing to register you for CONNECT activities, run those activities, contact you about them, and monitor and evaluate the project, including reporting to our funder. We do this on the basis of our legitimate interests in delivering and evaluating the project and meeting the conditions of our PEACEPLUS funding. Where we ask for your consent for something optional, such as taking photos or videos of you, we will say so clearly on the form, and you can withdraw that consent at any time.

You need to give us the information marked as required on the form to take part. All other questions are optional. We may also ask you to fill in a separate equality monitoring form. It is anonymous and optional, and it is not linked to your name or registration.

The CONNECT partners share limited information with each other (your name, email address, the activities you joined and the hours you took part) to check whether you have taken part in more than one CONNECT activity. This means we count each participant once and record your total time on the project accurately. This sharing is covered by the CONNECT Partnership Agreement. We may also share your information with organisations contracted to help deliver activities, who act only on our instructions.

We report to the project funder, the Special EU Programmes Body (SEUPB), using only anonymised and aggregated data. SEUPB and the programme's appointed auditors (KPMG Ireland) may occasionally ask to see participant records, such as registration and attendance records, to verify a report. If they do, we will share only what they need for that check. You can read how SEUPB handles personal data at https://peaceplussupport.seupb.eu/privacy.

We collect your information using Microsoft Forms and store it in Microsoft 365. Your information may move between Northern Ireland and Ireland as part of the project; UK and EU law recognise each other's data protection standards as adequate for this. Microsoft provides these services to us and stores the data in the EU and the UK. Microsoft may have the ability to access it from other countries, to provide technical support. When this happens, your information is protected by safeguards recognised under UK and EU law, such as standard contractual clauses.

The British Council, Politics in Action, and Create comply with UK data protection law (the UK GDPR and the Data Protection Act 2018) in Northern Ireland and the EU General Data Protection Regulation in Ireland. You have the right to ask for a copy of the information we hold on you, to ask us to correct it, to ask us to delete it or limit how we use it, and to object to us using it. Some of these rights may be limited while we are required to keep project records for our funder. If you have concerns about how we have used your personal information, you

can complain to the Information Commissioner's Office (www.ico.org.uk) if you are in Northern Ireland, or the Data Protection Commission (www.dataprotection.ie) if you are in Ireland.

For the CONNECT project, the British Council, as lead partner, is the data controller for your personal information. Politics in Action and Create collect and use your information on our behalf, under the CONNECT Partnership Agreement, to run the activities they lead. They are your first point of contact for questions about those activities. Any other organisations contracted to help deliver activities also act only on our instructions.

Contact us

For questions about how your information is used, or to use any of your rights, please contact the relevant organisation.

British Council (Media CONNECT): Gabriel.Murtagh@britishcouncil.org

British Council Data Protection Officer: data.protection@britishcouncil.org

Politics in Action (Communities CONNECT): info@politicsinaction.org

Create (Festivals CONNECT): datapro@create-ireland.ie

We keep your registration and participation information for two years after the Special EU Programmes Body has verified the activity it relates to, as required by the PEACEPLUS programme rules. After that, we securely delete it. We may keep anonymised and aggregated figures, which do not identify you, with the project records until 30 June 2034.