

# **Decision of the President of the European Patent Office dated 6 February 2025 identifying the operational units of the Office acting as delegated controllers within the meaning of the Data Protection Rules**

The President of the European Patent Office,

Having regard to Article 10(2)(a) of the European Patent Convention,

Having regard to the Articles 1b and 32a of the Service Regulations and the Implementing Rules thereto (Data Protection Rules, DPR), in particular Article 3(1) and Article 28(3) and (4) DPR

Has decided as follows:

## **Article 1**

1. The list in the Annex 1 to this decision identifies the organisational functions representing the operational units that have the competence of determining the purposes and means of processing certain personal data according to Article 28(3) DPR in specific processing operations in the meaning of Article 3(1).
2. Delegated controllers may not sub-delegate the controllership unless the conditions set forth by Article 28(4) DPR are met.
3. The list replaces the list published with the decision dated 2 May 2024.
4. The list shall be reviewed and updated yearly, or more often, if necessary, to reflect organisational changes or any changes notified to the DPO according to Article 28(4) DPR.

This decision enters into force on 6 February 2025.

Done at Munich, 5 February 2025.



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President

## Annex 1

### List of EPO Delegated Controllers<sup>1</sup>

Function	Processing operations
<b>DG0</b>	
Vice President Corporate Services, DG 4	All processing operations conducted within the President's Office
Principal Director Communication, PD 0.2	All processing operations conducted within PD 0.2
Chief Patent Research and Policy Officer, PD 0.3	All processing operations conducted within PD 0.3
Principal Director Internal Audit and Professional Standards, PD 0.4	All processing operations conducted within PD 0.4 except those expressly delegated to Directors in PD 0.4
Director Internal Audit, D 0.4.1	All processing operations conducted within D 0.4.1
Director Ethics and Compliance, D 0.4.4	All processing operations conducted within D 0.4.4
Director Ombuds Office, D 0.4.5	All processing operations conducted within D 0.4.5
Administrator of the Reserve Funds, PD 0.5	All processing operations conducted within PD 0.5
Director Appeals Committee Secretariat, D 0.6	All processing operations conducted within the Appeals Committee and the Appeals Committee Secretariat
Director Data Protection Office, D 0.7	All processing operations conducted within D 0.7
Principal Director Employment Law and Social Dialogue Advice, PD 0.8	All processing operations conducted within PD 0.8

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<sup>1</sup> According to Art. 3(1)h DPR, "delegated controller" means the operational unit, represented by its head, ensuring that all processing operations involving personal data that are performed within the operational unit comply with the DPR. This list includes the designation of the head of each operational unit identified as delegated controller.

<b>DG1</b>	
Vice President Patent Granting Process, DG 1	All processing operations conducted within DG 1 except for those expressly delegated to PDs in DG 1
Principal Director Operations, PD 1.1	All processing operations conducted within PD 1.1
Principal Director Quality and Practice Harmonisation, PD 1.3	All processing operations conducted within PD 1.3
Principal Director Business Planning and Performance, PD 1.4	All processing operations conducted within PD 1.4
Principal Director Customer Journey and Key Account Management, PD 1.5	All processing operations conducted within PD 1.5

<b>DG4</b>	
Vice President Corporate Services, DG 4	All processing operations conducted within DG 4 except for those expressly delegated to PDs or Directors in DG 4
Director Corporate Performance, Risk and Compliance, D 4.0.1	All processing operations conducted within D 4.0.1
Principal Director Finance, PD 4.1	All processing operations conducted within PD 4.1
Chief People Officer, PD 4.2	All processing operations conducted within PD 4.2
Principal Director Welfare and Remuneration, PD 4.3	All processing operations conducted within PD 4.3
Principal Director General Administration, PD 4.4	All processing operations conducted within PD 4.4
CTO, PD 4.5	All processing operations conducted within PD 4.5
CIO, PD 4.6	All processing operations conducted within PD 4.6
Principal Director Procurement and Vendor Management, PD 4.7	All processing operations conducted within PD 4.7

<b>DG5</b>	
Vice President Legal / International Affairs, DG 5	All processing operations within DG 5 except those expressly delegated to PDs or Directors in DG 5
Director Council Secretariat, D 5.0.1	All processing operations conducted within D 5.0.1
Principal Director Performance and Process Office, PD 5.0.2	All processing operations conducted within PD 5.0.2
Principal Director European and International Affairs, PD 5.1	All processing operations conducted within PD 5.1
Principal Director Legal Affairs, PD 5.2	All processing operations conducted within PD 5.2
Principal Director Patent Law and Procedures, PD 5.3	All processing operations conducted within PD 5.3
Principal Director Patent Intelligence, PD 5.4	All processing operations conducted within PD 5.4

<b>Other Areas</b>	
Chief Patent Research and Policy Officer, PD 0.3	All processing operations conducted within the Disciplinary Committee and the Disciplinary Committee Secretariat
Chief Patent Research and Policy Officer, PD 0.3	All processing operations conducted within the Data Protection Board and the Data Protection Board Secretariat
Chairperson of the Joint Committee on Articles 52 and 53	All processing operations conducted within the Joint Committee on Articles 52 and 53
Chairperson of the Central Occupational Health, Safety and Ergonomics Committee (COHSEC)	All processing operations conducted within the Central Occupational Health, Safety and Ergonomics Committee (COHSEC)
Chairperson of the Local Occupational Health, Safety and Ergonomics Committee (LOHSEC) Munich	All processing operations conducted within the Local Occupational Health, Safety and Ergonomics Committee (LOHSEC) Munich
Chairperson of the Local Occupational Health, Safety and Ergonomics Committee (LOHSEC) The Hague	All processing operations conducted within the the Local Occupational Health, Safety and Ergonomics Committee (LOHSEC) The Hague
Chairperson of the Local Occupational Health, Safety and Ergonomics Committee (LOHSEC) Berlin	All processing operations conducted within the Local Occupational Health, Safety and Ergonomics Committee (LOHSEC) Berlin
Chairperson of the Local Occupational Health, Safety and Ergonomics Committee (LOHSEC) Vienna	All processing operations conducted within the Local Occupational Health, Safety and Ergonomics Committee (LOHSEC) Vienna
Chairperson of the Home Loans Committee	All processing operations conducted within the Home Loans Committee
Principal Director Welfare and Remuneration, PD 4.3	All processing operations conducted within the Supervisory Committee of the SSP
Principal Director Welfare and Remuneration, PD 4.3	All processing operations conducted within the Appraisals Committee
Chair of the Central Staff Committee	All processing operations conducted within the CSC

Chair of the Local Staff Committee, The Hague	All processing operations conducted within the LSC, The Hague
Chair of the Local Staff Committee, Berlin	All processing operations conducted within the LSC, Berlin
Chair of the Local Staff Committee, Vienna	All processing operations conducted within the LSC, Vienna
Chair of the Local Staff Committee, Munich	All processing operations conducted within the LSC, Munich
Chairperson of the Disciplinary Board of the European Patent Office	All processing operations necessary for the exercise of the function of chairperson and the running of the activities of the Disciplinary Board
Chief Inter-Amicale Officer (CIAO)	All processing operations conducted within the Amicale branches