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SPRING Doctoral Network: Consent Form for Applicants to Doctoral Candidate positions

Welcome to the SPRING Doctoral Network Recruitment Process. Before submitting your application, please review the sections below, which contain important information concerning the online application process.

Purpose: Fifteen Doctoral Candidate positions are open within the Horizon Europe funded MSCA Doctoral Network SPRING. This is a Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) Doctoral Network under the Horizon Europe framework (Grant Agreement No. 101227080). SPRING focuses on the resilience of future large-scale critical infrastructures that are deeply interconnected, cyber-physical, and exposed to evolving threats such as extreme weather, cascading failures, cyber-attacks and human error.

Consent: To comply with General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), we need to have your consent to process and store your application. By applying via email to contact@spring-project.eu you are consenting to:

- 1) submit your employment documents and information electronically, to be considered for a Doctoral Candidate position within the SPRING Doctoral Network,
- 2) allow treatment of your documents and personal data in any matters related to the recruitment, application, background check, and/or onboarding process electronically within the SPRING Doctoral Network.

Please note that the **consent form needs to be signed individually** (electronic signature is accepted) **and included in your online application.**

Withdrawal of Consent: You have the right to withdraw your consent to submit your online employment application electronically. If you choose to do so, please note that this will result in automatic disqualification of your electronic application from further consideration for employment. You may withdraw your consent by emailing SPRING Doctoral Network at contact@spring-project.eu.

Updating contact information: Please note that it is your responsibility to update the SPRING Doctoral Network regarding any changes to your contact information.

Privacy: Personal data that you enter will be used exclusively by the SPRING Doctoral Network members (Project Coordinator, Supervisors, Management team, General Assembly, Supervisory Board) and the European Commission (funding agency) for administration, evaluation and management of your application, as well as for preparing reports or audits that may be required by the European Commission. The SPRING team to whom your data may be transmitted may be situated outside your home country, in a country which offers a level of data protection different from the level applied in your country. By submitting your data, you consent to the processing, use, and transfer of your personal data as outlined in this agreement and statement, in accordance with GDPR.

Please note that we will keep applications on our records for five years after the end of the SPRING project, exclusively for audit purposes that might be required by the funding agency.

By signing this form, you are agreeing that you have read and understand the above and consent to submit your application electronically. We will be unable to process your application if you decline to accept the terms and conditions in this form.

Applicant name (please type your full name):

Applicant address:

Date: *Applicant signature:*