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# Privacy

According to Art. 2 para. 1 lit. g) of the Constitution of the Canton of St.Gallen and the data protection regulations of the canton (Data Protection Act, sGS 142.1), every person has the right to protection of their privacy and protection against misuse of their personal data. We comply with these provisions.

Personal data will be treated as strictly confidential and will not be sold or passed on to third parties. In close cooperation with our hosting providers, we make every effort to protect the databases as well as possible against unauthorized access, loss, misuse or falsification. When accessing our website, the following data is stored in log files: IP address, port, date, time, browser request and general information transmitted to the operating system or browser. This usage data forms the basis for anonymous, statistical evaluations that identify trends that we can use to improve our offers.

## **Use of Siteimprove Analytics**

This website uses Siteimprove Analytics, a web analytics service provided by Siteimprove. Siteimprove Analytics uses "cookies" - text files that are stored on your computer or smartphone to help the Canton of St.Gallen analyze how visitors use the website. The information generated by the cookies about visitors' use of the website is stored and processed by Siteimprove on servers in Denmark.

IP addresses are completely anonymized before collected data can be viewed via the Siteimprove Suite for the Canton of St.Gallen. It is not possible to reverse the anonymization of IP addresses and assign the IP addresses to collected data.

The Canton of St. Gallen will use this information to evaluate the user behaviour of its website visitors, to compile reports on it and to improve the website experience for its visitors. Siteimprove will not share this information with third parties or use it for marketing or advertising purposes of any kind.

The following Siteimprove cookies are used on this website:

### Name of cookie: nmstat

Type: Persistent - expires after 1000 days

About the cookie: This cookie is used to record the behavior of visitors to the website. It is used to collect statistics about website usage, such as when the visitor last visited the website. The cookie does not contain any personal data and is only used for website analysis.

#### Name of cookie: siteimproveses

Type: Session cookie

About the cookie: This cookie is used to track the sequence of pages that a visitor views during their visit to the website. The cookie does not contain any personal data and is only used for website analysis.

By using this website, the visitor agrees to the processing of his or her data for the purposes described above.

### Use of social media

The Canton of St.Gallen maintains a presence on various social media platforms (Facebook, Twitter and YouTube). By using these platforms, you accept the applicable terms of use of the platform operators. The sg.ch website links to these social media platforms, but does not use any integrated plug-ins.

When using a social media presence of the canton, your personal data may be collected, transmitted, stored, disclosed and used by the respective platform operator. The type and scope of the data processed by the operators, the type of processing and use or the disclosure of this data to third parties is generally governed by the terms of use applicable to the respective platform. The canton has no influence on this.

No content of any kind may be made available on the canton's social media presences that infringes the rights of third parties or contains illegal material. The canton reserves the right to report such content to the platform operator, to delete it and to take further measures against the responsible users.

The canton is not responsible for content published by third parties on its social media presences. To the extent permitted by law, the canton excludes any liability for all damages arising from or in connection with the justified or unauthorized use of its social media presences.

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