

Privacy and Recording Consent

Data Controller: pdoom UG (haftungsbeschränkt)
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Project: crowd-cast data collection

This consent form is separate from the Data Purchase and Participation Agreement. It covers what data is collected, how it is used, and your rights under data protection law (GDPR).

What is recorded

- Screen video of the applications you have selected for recording
- Keyboard and mouse events (keystrokes, clicks, scrolls, cursor movement)
- App and window metadata (which application is active, window titles, timestamps)

What is NOT recorded

- Audio or microphone input
- Camera or webcam
- Applications you have not selected for recording
- Anything during paused or stopped periods

You control what gets recorded

- You choose which applications crowd-cast records. Unselected apps are not captured.
- You can pause or stop recording at any time.
- You can delete recording segments before they are uploaded.

What you must avoid recording

Even within selected apps, you are responsible for making sure you do not record:

- Passwords, credentials, or login screens
- Private messages or personal conversations
- Meetings, calls, or video chats
- Work covered by an NDA or confidentiality agreement
- Employer-confidential or client-confidential material
- Medical, legal, or financial records

If you accidentally capture something sensitive, pause recording and delete the segment if possible.

How your data is used

- Reviewed by p(doom) for quality control and safety checks
- Used for research, AI model training, and evaluation
- Included in public dataset releases, meaning the recordings could be downloaded and used by other researchers, developers, and the general public

What "public release" means in practice: If your accepted data is included in a publicly released dataset, it will be available for anyone to download and use. This is core to the project's research mission. p(doom) takes steps to filter out sensitive content before release, but you are the first line of defense: do not record things you would not want made public.

Legal basis for processing

p(doom) processes your data on the following legal bases:

- Recording collection: Your explicit consent (GDPR Art. 6(1)(a)).
- Accepted data (retention, research, publication): p(doom)'s legitimate interest (GDPR Art. 6(1)(f)) in maintaining and using data that has been reviewed, accepted, and paid for. This interest is balanced by the voluntary nature of participation, full transparency, and compensation.
- Special category data: Your explicit consent (GDPR Art. 9(2)(a)) for any inadvertently captured special category data.
- Personal information (name, email, payout details): Contractual necessity (GDPR Art. 6(1)(b)).

Special category data

Screen recordings may inadvertently capture information revealing health conditions, political opinions, religious beliefs, trade union membership, or other sensitive personal data (GDPR Art. 9). p(doom) does not intentionally collect this data and takes steps to identify and remove it before publication.

Stopping participation

You can stop participating at any time by stopping the recorder and notifying p(doom) at mihir@pdoom.org.

- Future recordings: No further data will be collected from you.
- Unpublished data: p(doom) will delete recordings that have not yet been accepted or paid for.
- Accepted data: Data that has been accepted, paid for, and potentially published is retained under p(doom)'s legitimate interest. p(doom) will remove your data from future dataset versions on request, but cannot retract data already downloaded by third parties.

You may withdraw your Art. 9 consent for special category data processing at any time. This is why it is important to only record content you are comfortable sharing.

International data transfers

Your recording data is stored on Amazon Web Services (AWS) infrastructure. For transfers to the United States, p(doom) relies on AWS's certification under the EU-US Data Privacy Framework. For transfers to other jurisdictions without an adequacy decision, p(doom) relies on the European Commission's Standard Contractual Clauses (SCCs). When accepted data is included in a publicly released open dataset, it will be accessible worldwide.

Data retention

- Recordings under review are stored on p(doom)'s secure infrastructure until accepted or rejected.
- Rejected recordings are deleted.
- Accepted recordings are retained for the lifetime of the research dataset (anticipated minimum 10 years).
- Your personal information is retained for the duration of your participation and for 10 years afterward for German commercial and tax record-keeping obligations (HGB s257, AO s147), then deleted.

Data Protection Officer

p(doom) has not appointed a Data Protection Officer. For data protection inquiries, contact mihir@pdoom.org.

Recipients

Your data may be shared with: Amazon Web Services (AWS) as infrastructure processor, the general public if your accepted data is included in a publicly released dataset, and Qonto (payment processor) for processing payouts.

Automated decision-making

p(doom) does not use your personal data for automated individual decision-making or profiling within the meaning of GDPR Art. 22. All payout decisions involve human review.

Provision of data

Providing your recordings is voluntary but necessary for participation in crowd-cast and receipt of compensation. Providing your personal information (name, email, payout details) is necessary for contract performance.

Your rights

Under GDPR, you have the right to: access your data, correct inaccurate data, request deletion (subject to limitations for accepted/published data), restrict processing, object to processing based on legitimate interest, data portability, and lodge a complaint with the Bayerisches Landesamt für Datenschutzaufsicht (BayLDA), Promenade 18, 91522 Ansbach, Germany (lda.bayern.de).

You may obtain a copy of the applicable transfer safeguards by contacting mihir@pdoom.org.

p(doom) will respond to data protection requests within 30 days in accordance with GDPR Art. 12(3). To exercise any of these rights, contact mihir@pdoom.org.