Privacy Policy

FIRMBACKBONE Utrecht University-SIDN

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Title of application/study	FIRMBACKBONE data and knowledge sharing Utrecht University-SIDN
Policy start date	1 December 2022
Project description	Utrecht University (UU) aims to build a data infrastructure populated with information about – preferably all – Dutch enterprises for scientific research purposes. The project is called FIRMBACKBONE. In order to test the infrastructure and enrich the databank, UU needs data. SIDN wishes to contribute to the FIRMBACKBONE initiative, and to that end both parties want to share data and knowledge.
Purpose of application/study	Once each calendar quarter, SIDN will provide UU with a list of business domain names and Trade Register numbers. As part of the FIRMBACKBONE initiative, the list will be used for web-scraping and text-mining experiments. The experiments will yield relevant business information, which can subsequently be added to the FIRMBACKBONE environment for research purposes. Once each calendar quarter, UU will reciprocally share relevant results with SIDN. The shared information will include, but will not be limited to numerical estimates obtained by means of

machine learning, knowledge and, if possible, UU-developed software, to enable SIDN to develop a better web crawler.

Personal data

The project will involve the processing of the following personal data:
- Domain names
- Trade Register numbers

Legitimate basis

Exchanging data and knowledge with UU will enable us to develop a better web crawler. That in turn will contribute to the security and stability of the internet.

Filters

SIDN will ensure that only business domain names are shared by filtering the dataset. Only domain names associated with websites classified as 'Business' or 'Ecommerce' will be shared.

Classification as 'Business' or 'Ecommerce' requires that the associated website provides visible contact details and/or Trade Register numbers, implying that the domain name has very probably been registered for commercial use.

Retention

The data will be retained for 1 year, unless the cooperation agreement between SIDN and UU is terminated sooner, in which case the data will be deleted at that point.

Access

At SIDN, the data will be accessible only by authorised personnel working in a secure environment, by means of a username-password combination and a second authentication factor.

At UU, the data will be accessible only for research and analysis, by researchers who have signed a confidentiality agreement, working in a secure environment.

Publication/sharing

Data will be shared with UU, under the terms of a separate cooperation agreement.

Type

Research

Other security measures

The data will be shared via SIDN's Cryptshare account, which allows data to be downloaded only after providing a password. Data is automatically deleted from the Cryptshare server after 7 days.

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Summarised project description

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