

## PEP725 Data Use Policy

All data and information collated by PEP725 are made available online with as few restrictions as possible, on a nondiscriminatory basis.

The PEP725 project management team, as operators of the website, requires all Database Users who have access to the PEP725 data to abide by the following terms and conditions of this policy document.

### ***Terms of PEP725 Data Use Policy***

- 1) *Acceptable use.* PEP725 Database will be open and universally available for the purpose of academic, research, educational, government, recreational, or other not-for-profit professional use. The Database User is permitted to produce and distribute derived works from this Database provided that they are released under the same license terms as those accompanying this Database. Any other use of the data or its derived products will require explicit permission from the Owner(s) of the Data Set(s).
- 2) *Redistribution.* It is strictly forbidden to redistribute PEP725 Datasets, or any part of the datasets, without written permission of the PEP725 project management or the Data Owner.
- 3) *Responsibility:* Neither PEP725 project management nor PEP725 project members and partners, are responsible for database content or the use of the data
- 4) *Liability:* Neither PEP725 project management nor PEP725 project members and partners, are liable for the content of database, or for any loss, damage, claim, cost or expense, however it may arise, from an inability to use the PEP725 Database and Website
- 5) *Guarantee:* While substantial efforts are made to ensure the accuracy of PEP725 data and documentation contained in a data set, complete accuracy of data and metadata cannot be guaranteed. All PEP725 data and metadata are made available “as is”. None of the parties involved in the production and distribution of a data set may be held accountable for any damage resulting from its use or mis-interpretation of the data contained in the PEP725 database.

### ***PEP725 Data Attribution Policy***

- 6) *Acknowledgement:* The following acknowledgement must be included in either the main text or Acknowledgments section of all publications using PEP725 data.  
Acknowledgment: “Data were provided by the members of the PEP725 project”
- 7) *Bibliographic information* should be provided to the PEP725 project management (pep725@geosphere.at) for all manuscripts using PEP725 data immediately after their publication
- 8) *Citation:* All PEP725 data sets must be cited following the example below:  
Templ, B., Koch, E., Bolmgren, K., Ungersböck, M., Paul, A., Scheifinger, H., et al. (2018). Pan European Phenological database (PEP725): a single point of access for European data. Int. J. Biometeorology. doi: 10.1007/s00484-018-1512-8  
Data set accessed YYYY-MM-DD at <http://www.pep725.eu>

## PEP725 Database Access Requirements

Access to all Data Sets available from the PEP725 database is subject to compliance with this policy document to enable Data Set Owners and the PEP725 project management team to track usage, evaluate its impact in the community, and confirm Database Users'

agreement with the **PEP725 Data Use Policy**. The following information is required directly or by proxy prior to the release of any Data Set:

- Registration
  - Name
  - Affiliation
  - Email Address
  - Full Contact Information
- Acceptance of the Terms and Conditions of the PEP725 Data Use Policy
- A Statement of Intended Use that is compliant with the above agreements. Such statements may be submitted via the data access portal interface.

The information on Database Users will be available to the PEP725 project management and the Dataset Owners. PEP725 project management and Dataset Owners will not sell, trade, or pass on this information to any third parties.

## **Disclaimers**

Any responsibility for the deletion, the failure to store, the misdelivery, or the untimely delivery of any information or material from the PEP725 website is disclaimed. Furthermore, any responsibility for any harm resulting from downloading or accessing any information or material on the Internet using search results from the PEP725 website is disclaimed. While every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the data and the documentation contained in the PEP 725 database, complete accuracy of data and metadata cannot be guaranteed. All data and metadata are made available on an “as is” basis without warranties of any kind. Under no circumstances will the database owner (PEP 725) accept liability for any damage, either direct or indirect, that may result from the use of this database or interpretation of the data contained therein.

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