2023 FPF Research Data Stewardship Award Nomination Form

# Introduction

The Future of Privacy Forum seeks to recognize data sharing between companies and academic researchers. FPF believes personal data held by corporate actors is an underutilized part of the research data landscape and that successful partnerships between them should be celebrated as exemplars in the business and research communities.

The Future of Privacy Forum will review nominations holistically, paying special attention to:

* How much the research leads to generalizable knowledge or public benefit;
* The quality of the data sharing process, based on: use of privacy protections, security of data sharing processes, or overcoming challenges to effective data sharing;
* Demonstration of the company’s commitment to supporting independent research;
* How the project overcame challenges to effective data sharing.

Information submitted through this survey will be used by members of the Future of Privacy Forum staff and selected external reviewers to evaluate the research project against the criteria listed above. Otherwise, we will hold your submissions in confidence and will not share information about this project, personnel, or data shared without your express permission.

Researcher teams must include at least one person from an accredited college or university located in the US, UK, EU nations, or Israel. Researchers can come from any classification of employment such as tenured/tenure-track faculty, clinical or research faculty, adjunct or affiliate faculty, staff, or graduate students. A winning research team should choose a single member of the team to accept the award, and that individual must be available to receive the award and offer remarks during the award ceremony.

A research product demonstrating the use of the personal data must be made available to the review committee. Research products can include: conference papers or posters presented at research-focused meetings (trade meetings not included), articles published in a refereed journal, articles under review and available on preprint archives, or papers with code and all needed documentation for replication.

Information about the data shared and the research project(s) completed with that data are needed to complete this nomination form. This information can be provided by representatives from either the research team, the data sharing partner, or both, and it must be submitted with the full knowledge and consent of both the research team and the data sharing partner. If we have questions about your application, we will use the contact information you provide to ask clarifying questions about your application to help us in the award decision process. If you have questions about how to complete this form, concerns about the appropriateness of a project for nomination, or other general inquiries, please contact Shea Swauger at [sswauger@fpf.org](mailto:sswauger@fpf.org).

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### \*Indicates a required answer. If you’re unsure about an answer, feel free to skip the question. If you have questions or want to discuss your project or application for any reason, please contact Shea Swauger at sswauger@fpf.org.

# Question 1

What is the title of the project you are submitting for consideration under this award? If you do not know the title of the project, please enter a title that reflects the nature of the work and the name of the researcher and their institutional affiliation and the name of the data-sharing organization partner.

* Free Text

# Question 2\*

Research Team information

* Name
* College, university, or research institution
* Email

Data Sharing Partner information

* Name
* Company
* Email

# Question 3

Please provide a lay-person-accessible abstract for this research project.

* Free Text

# Question 4

Was this research project governed by a data sharing agreement, standard agreement, or any other form of contract/agreement specific to this project?

* Yes
* No

If there was an agreement for this project and you have the ability to share it, please upload a copy of the agreement.

* File Upload

# Question 5

In lay-person-accessible terms, please describe the personal data used in the research project. Personal data includes all information related to a natural person, including public data, device identifiers, or other pseudonymous or pseudonymized information.

* Free Text

# Question 6

In lay-person-accessible terms, please describe the results you found from analyses conducted thus far. How does the research lead to generalizable knowledge or public benefit?

* Free Text

# Question 7

Please describe how the company demonstrated commitment to supporting independent research. What, if any, was the process required by the data sharing/ corporate partner for attribution or review of preliminary analyses or drafts for submission to publication outlets (e.g., journals or conferences)?

* Free Text

# Question 8

What specific steps did you take to ensure the protection of data subjects’ privacy in the course of data sharing and research? Were these or similar steps already in use for internal (corporate) purposes, or were new steps necessary to support the research?

* Free Text

# Question 9

Describe the context and process for the data request by the academic research partner to the sharing/ corporate partner. For example, was this request part of an established program of data sharing or was it an extraordinary request? Who handled the request and was doing so part of that person’s job?

* Free Text

# Question 10

Was there anything you did to overcome challenges to effective data sharing?

* Free Text

# Question 11

Describe any data security and integrity requirements instituted by the data sharing/ corporate partner for this data sharing exercise. For example, were there any specific procedures requested to secure data transmission, storage, use, and/or return? Were there special measures to authenticate researcher access, or were researchers treated like any other external partner to whom data access was granted?

* Free Text

# Question 12

You may add any supporting documentation to your nomination you think is relevant. These may include, but are not limited to:

Privacy Impact Assessment

Data Security Assessment

Research Ethics Review Board (e.g., IRB, REC) protocol form

Research Ethics Review Board (e.g., IRB, REC) decision letter

Code documentation

Something else

* Document Upload

# Question 13

Is there anything else we should know about the research project, researchers, company, or anything else that would inform our evaluation of your application? Based on this experience, for example, do you expect to continue to share data with research partners?

* Free Text

# Final Page

Thank you for submitting your project for consideration for the 2023 Research Data Stewardship Award. We look forward to reviewing your submission. If you have any questions, please contact Shea Swauger at [sswauger@fpf.org](mailto:sswauger@fpf.org).