



– REQUEST FORM FOR USE OF COMPNET FIRM-LEVEL BASED DATASET –

Please fill in the blanks below with all required information. Fields that are marked with an asterisk (*) are mandatory. Once you completed the application form, save the changes in Acrobat Reader or equivalent (unsigned) and send it back to secretariat@comp-net.org. The request will be reviewed by the Executive Committee of CompNet and you will be informed about the acceptance of your application.

You can find a detailed documentation of the dataset in ECB Working Paper 1764 “Assessing European competitiveness: The new CompNet micro-based database” available at: <https://www.ecb.europa.eu/pub/pdf/scpwps/ecbwp1764.en.pdf>

Note: If you intend to publish research that is based or makes use of CompNet data we kindly require you to: (1) include a reference to the detailed CompNet documentation (ECB WP 1764) and (2) include the following footnote naming the caveats for interpretation of the results set out in section 2.6.1 of ECB WP 1764: “The reader must be aware that data collection rules and procedures across countries are different, and out of CompNet’s control. Hence, despite all efforts made to improve sample comparability across countries (including the use of population weights in the 20E sample), some country samples might still suffer from biases. For a more detailed account of raw data characteristics and sample biases, please refer to the ECB Working Paper 1764.”

Date: _____

1. Personal details

First name* _____
 Last name* _____
 Email* _____
 Telephone _____

2. Professional affiliation

Job title* _____
 Name of the Institution* _____
 Department* _____
 Address _____
 Postal Code _____ City _____
 Country _____

How did you discover the CompNet project?*

3. Research plan*

(Working)
Title of project*

Description of
research project /
question*

Planned
Methodology*

Description of
data to be used*

If this is a joint project with other researchers, please indicate the names and professional affiliation of your co-authors, starting with the lead researcher in the project.

*young researchers and students are required to indicate here the name of their Academic Supervisor.

Do you have the intention to make the research results available to the scientific community?*

Yes

No

If "yes", through which channel(s)?

External publication

Conference

Working paper

Website

Other _____

4. Identification of the sources of research funding*

If your research project is partly or entirely funded by one or several organisations (public or private) please indicate the details of each organisation and the conditions attached to the funding.

5. Security of data storage*

You are required to ensure the security and confidentiality of the data released to you. Please confirm that you will comply with the following data security rules:

- Confidential information is stored on internal drives protected by password access and/or personal access privileges.
- Confidential information printed on paper or stored on external storage devices is kept under lock and key when unattended.
- Access to the premises where research takes place is restricted to authorised personnel only.

6. Terms and conditions for the usage of data

- The data may not be used for any purpose other than for the scientific purpose mentioned in this research proposal; commercial use is strictly prohibited.
- The use of the data is under your full and exclusive responsibility.
- You may not duplicate, transfer, disclose, publish or otherwise reveal to any third party the data without explicit authorisation.
- Your research work must include a reference to the detailed CompNet documentation (ECB WP 1764) and the caveats for interpretation of the results set out in section 2.6.1 of ECB WP 1764.
- Confidential information will be deleted or destroyed immediately after the research project defined in the application has been completed, or the time limit of five years has expired, unless you have reapplied for access or otherwise agreed.
- You must send a copy of the publicly released research work to secretariat@comp-net.org.

7. Additional required documentation*

Please provide a Curriculum Vitae (in PDF or Microsoft Word format).

8. Data privacy notice

Your answers to this request form constitute personal data and will be processed in accordance with the Bundesdatenschutzgesetz (Federal Data Protection Act). The Halle Institute for Economic Research (IWH) is the controller for the processing of personal data in relation to the request for use of the CompNet firm-level based dataset. The personal data provided by you in this request form shall be used exclusively for the purposes of granting access to the research dataset of the CompNet micro-based database and any further monitoring of such access.

In case of further queries on the above processing of your personal data, you are encouraged to contact secretariat@comp-net.org at the Halle Institute for Economic Research.