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Privacy Policy

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By completing and submitting the registration form on our website you will be able to access certain additional products and services that we provide. You agree that we will send you the newsletter you have requested to receive. We may also mail you occasionally with updates about the service and information about your registration.

By registering, you will be providing The Brussels Times with certain data. The Brussels Times collects and uses two types of data about users of its sites: (1) Personal Data - (names and email addresses etc) via which it is possible to identify an individual from that information; and (2) Aggregated Data - being all other information that relates purely to generic statistics such as traffic flow and demographics.

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You give your consent in the following way:

By completing and submitting the Registration Form you automatically consent to The Brussels Times:

- collecting the information that is on the Registration Form, and information about your movements around and use of this site and other The Brussels Times owned or managed sites, for the purposes described below.
- contacting you with relevant material, for example about your use or potential use of this site.
- transferring your Personal Data to other The Brussels Times companies (subsidiaries or affiliates), and to those The Brussels Times companies contacting you with other relevant material, for example about your use or potential use of this site or other The Brussels Times owned or managed sites.
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- transferring your Personal Data to any data processors that The Brussels Times has nominated to act as its agent for any of the above activities. The data will always remain under the control and direction of The Brussels Times.
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