

Appendix Q.4

NOTIFICATION LETTER





Our Ref: 41103965

8 October 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION ISSUED 02 FEBRUARY 2024 FOR THE SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV) ENERGY FACILITY, BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM (BESS) FACILITIES AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE AT THE KOMATI POWER STATION IN THE STEVE TSHWETE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE (REF: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2456)

Notice is given in terms of Regulation 32 (GNR 982) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 as amended published under section 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended) for submission of applications for an Amendment in terms of a Part 2 Amendment Process described in Regulation 31

DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd (Eskom) is proposing to develop the authorised Solar Photovoltaic (PV) and Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Facilities in the Mpumalanga Province. The Solar Photovoltaic (PV) and Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Facilities received environmental authorisation (EA) (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2456) on 02 February 2024 which is valid until 02 February 2034. The proponent wishes to amend the authorised selected project infrastructure and extend the approved area of BESS Area A.

The entire scope of the amendment request is detailed in the amendment report. None of amendments trigger new listed activities in terms of GNR 983, 984 and 985 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended). However, the proposed amendments will result in a change in scope of the valid EA. As such, a Regulation 31 Amendment Process in terms the EIA Regulations (GNR 982) of the EIA Regulations, 2014 as amended is applicable.

The project is located on the Remainder extent of the Komati Power Station No 56 near Middelburg, in the Steve Tshwete Local Municipality, which falls under the Nkangala District Municipality in the Mpumalanga Province. Furthermore, both the layout and Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) were approved.

REGISTRATION

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed as the independent and suitably qualified Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) by the Proponent, to manage and undertake the Part 2 Amendment process. Parties wishing to formally register as interested and affected parties in order to receive more information and/ or raise their comment(s) on the project amendments, are requested to forward their full contact details to the EAP and disclose their direct business, financial, personal or other interest in the project. Any comments on the proposed project may be submitted to the EAP via the details provided below. Registered interested and affected parties will be forwarded all future project related correspondence.

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The Draft Amendment Report will be made available from WSP on request and at the venues below for public review and comment for 30 days from **08 October 2024 to 08 November 2024**.

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Kindly ensure that all comments on the proposed project or requests to be registered as an Interested and Affected Party are submitted to the contact details provided below, by **08 November 2024**. Should you have any queries/comments, please do not hesitate to contact the EAP

The contact details of the EAP are:

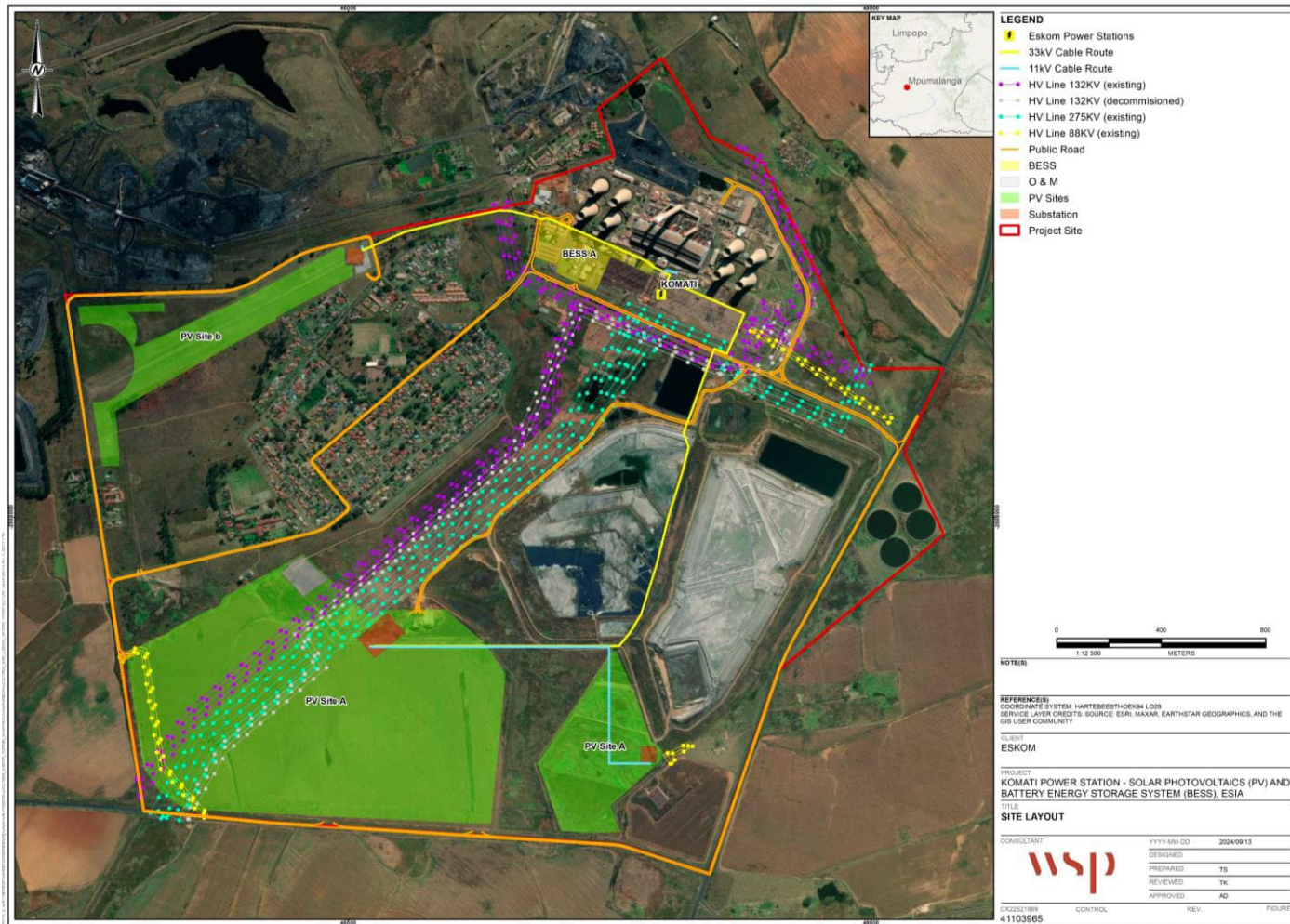
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WSP will be processing certain personal information about you as an interested and affected party (I & AP) for purposes of enabling your registration as an I & AP and for purposes of storing your details on our database, if you consent for us to do so. WSP uses these details to contact you about other projects in the future. WSP will always process your personal information in accordance with the Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013. You are entitled to exercise your rights as a data subject and let us know if you wish to be deregistered as an I & AP or if you no longer want your contact details to be included on our database



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Mphakathi Othandekayo,

ISAZISO SOKUCHIBIYELA ESIHLONGOZIWE SOKUGUNYAZA INDAWO ESIKHISHWE ZI-02 KUNHLOLANJA 2024 YENDAWO YAMANDLA YE-SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV), UHLELO LOKUGCINA AMANDLA NGAMABHETHRI (I-BESS) IZINDAWO NENGQALASIZINDA EHLOBENE NALOKHO EKOMATIPOWER STATION KUMASIPALA WASEKHAYA I-STEVE TSHWETE, ESIFUNDAZWENI SASEMPUMALANGA (INKOMBA: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2456)

ISaziso sanikezwa ngokwemigomo yoMtheshwana 32 (i-GNR 982) yeMitheshwana yokuHlola uMthelela weNdawo (i-EIA), 2014 njengoba ichitshiyelwe ngaphansi kwesigaba 24 nama-24D woMthetho wokuLawula iNdawo kuZwelonke (No. 107 wowe-1998) (i-NEMA) (njengoba kuchitshiyelwe) ukuze kulethwe isicelo sesiChibiyelo ngokwemigomo yeNgxenye 2 yoHlelo lokuChibiyela njengoba kuchazwe eMtheshanweni 31

INCAZELO NENDAWO

I-Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd (Eskom) iphakamisa ukuthuthukisa i-Solar Photovoltaic (PV) ne-Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) eSifundazweni saseMpumalanga. I-Solar Photovoltaic (PV) ne-Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) ithole ukugunyaza indawo (EA) (Inkomba ye-DFFE: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2456) zi-02 kuNhloLANJA 2024 ekhona zi-02 kuNhloLANJA 2034. Iphrophonenti ifisa ukuchibiyela ingqalasizinda yephrojekthi ekhethiwe nendawo enwebekile ye-BESS Area A.

Umumohlaka ophелеle wesicelo sokuchibiyela ubhalwe ngokuphelele embikweni wokuchibiyela. Azikho izichibiyelo eziqubula imisebenzi emisha efakwe ohlwini ngokwemigomo ye-GNR 983, 984 kanye ne-985 yeMitheshwana ye-EIA, 2014 (njengoba ichitshiyelwe). Kodwa, izichibiyelo eziphakanyiswayo ziyoholela uguqukwani kumumosakhiwo we-EA eqondile. Ngenxa yalokho, uHlelo lokuChibiyela uMtheshwana 31 ngokwemigomo yeMitheshwana ye-EIA (i-GNR 982) weMitheshwana ye-EIA, 2014 njengoba ichitshiyelwe iyangena.

Iphrojekthi isendaweni eyingxenye eSele yase-Komati Power Station No 56 eduze kwaseMiddelburg, kuMasipala wasekhaya i-Steve Tshwete, ongena ngaphansi kukaMasipala weSifunda waseNkangala eSifundazweni saseMpumalanga. Ngaphezu kwalokho, umumokubukeka noHlelo lokuLawula iNdawo (EMPr) kwagunyazwa.

UKUREJISTA

I-WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) isiqokwe njengoMsebenzi oHlola iNdawo ozimele nofanelekile (i-EAP) yiPhrophonenti, ukulawula nokwenza iNgxenye yesi-2 ohlelweni lokuChibiyela. Abantu abafisa ukurejista ngokusemthethweni njenganentshisekelo nabathintekayo ukuze bathole ulwazi olongeziwe kanye/noma ukuphawula kwabo ekuchitshiyelweni kwephrojekthi, bayacelwa ukuba bathumele imininingwane yabo egcwele yokuxhumana kwi-EAP bese bedalula amabhizinisi abo, ezezimali, okuthinta bona ngqo noma enye intshisekelo kwiphrojekthi. Nanoma yikuphi ukuphawula kwiphrojekthi ehlongeziwe kungathunyelwa kwi-EAP ngemininingwane ehlinzekwe ngezansi. Abantu abanentshisekelo nabathintekayo bayothunyelwa yonke imininingwane emayelana nephrojekthi esikhathini esizayo.



ISIKHATHI SOKUBUYEKEZA UMBIKO OCHITSHIYELWE OWUHLAKA

Umbiko oChitshiyelwe owuHlaka uyotholakala kwi-WSP ngesicelo kanye nasezindaweni ezibalulwe ngezansi ukuze ubuyekwezwe kuphinde kube nokuphawula komphakathi izinsuku ezingama-30 kusukela ziyisi-08 kuMfumfu 2024 kuya ziyisi-08 kuLwezi 2024.

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Uyacelwa ukuba uqinisekise ukuthi konke ukuphawula kwiphrojekthi ehlongozwayo noma izicelo ezizorejistwa njenga-Bantu abaNentshisekelo naBaThintekayo kuthunyelwa kule mininingwane yokuxhumana ehlinzekwe ngezansi, ngomhla ziyisi-08 kuLwezi 2024. Uma uneminye imibuzo/ukuphawula, uyacelwa ukuba ungangabazi ukuthintana ne-EAP.

Iminingwane yokuxhumana ye-EAP yilena:

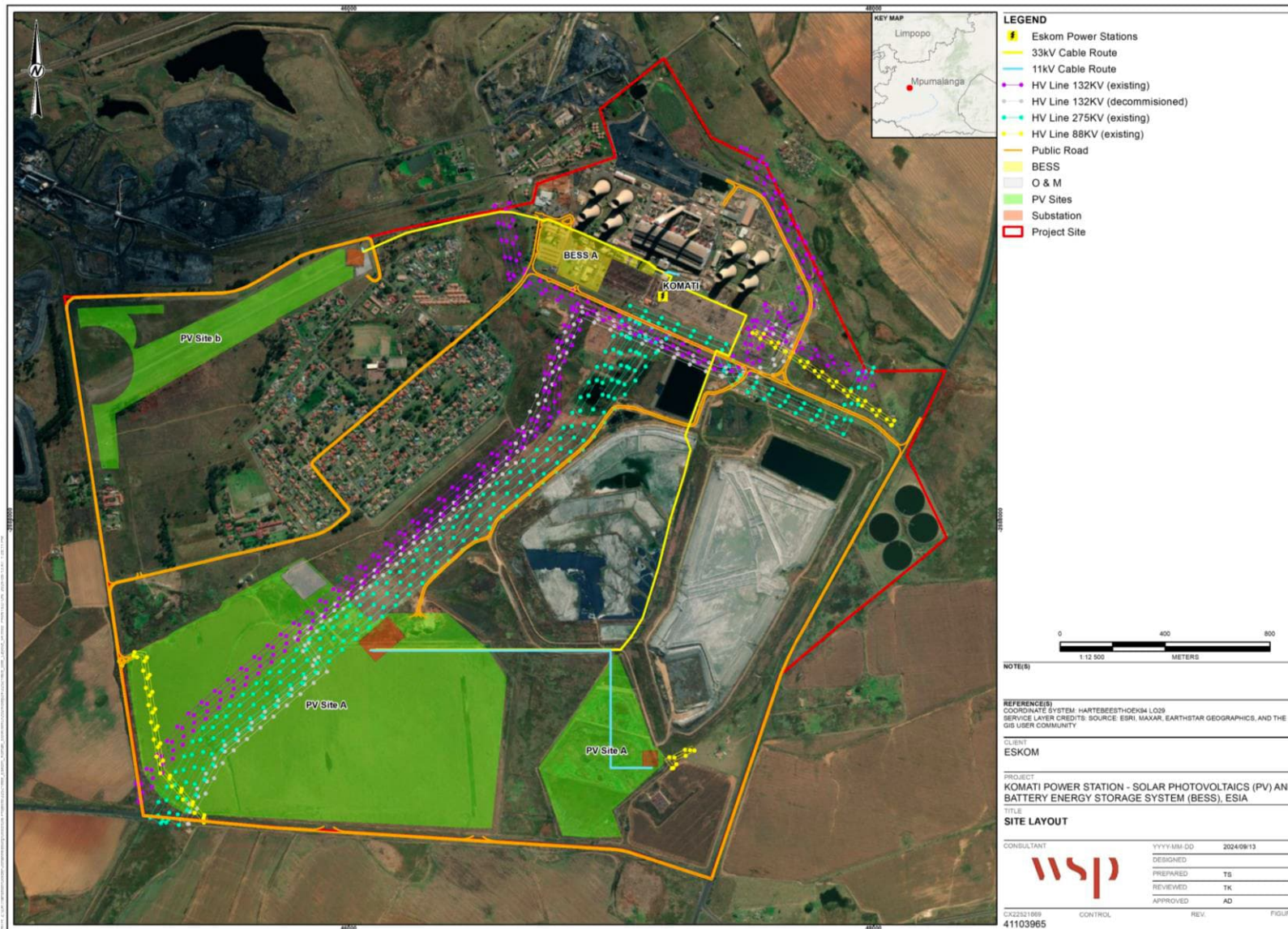
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I-WSP izosebenza ulwazi oluthile lomuntu ngqo ngawe njengomuntu onentshisekelo nothintekayo (I&AP) ngenhloso yokulungisa ukurejista kwakho njenge-I&AP nokubeka imininingwane yakho kwisizindalwazi sethu, uma uvuma ukuba senze lokho. I-WSP iyosebenzisa le mininingwane ukuthintana nawe ngamaphrojekthi angenayo esikhathini esizayo. I-WSP iyohlala isebenza ulwazi ngawe ngqo ngokuhambelana noMthetho wokuVikela uLwazi ngoMuntu ngqo 4 wowezi-2013. Uvumelekile ukusebenzisa amalungelo akho njengesihloko sedatha bese usazisa uma ufisa ukukhishwa ohlwini lwabarejistiwe njenge-I & AP noma uma ungasafuni ukuba imininingwane yakho yokuxhumana ukuba ifakwe kwisizindalwazi sethu.



Liwe Belanghebbende,

KENNISGEWING VAN DIE VOORGESTELDE WYSIGING VAN DIE OMGEWINGSGOEDKEURING WAT OP 02 FEBRUARIE 2024 UITGEREIK IS VIR DIE SOLAR-FOTOVOLTAÏESE (PV) ENERGIEFASILITEIT, BATTERY-ENERGIEBERGINGSTELSELFASILITEITE (BESS-FASILITEITE) EN VERWANTE INFRASTRUKTUUR BY DIE KOMATI-KRAGSTASIE IN DIE STEVE TSHWETE PLAASLIKE MUNISIPALITEIT, MPUMALANGA (VERWYSING: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2456)

Kennis word hiermee gegee, kragtens Regulasie 32 (GNR 982) van die regulasies oor impak op die omgewing (EIA) van 2014, soos gewysig en gepubliseer kragtens artikel 24 en 24D van die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur (Wet 107 van 1998) (NEMA) (soos gewysig), van die indien van aansoeke om wysiging kragtens 'n Deel 2-wysigingsproses wat beskryf word in Regulasie 31

BESKRYWING EN LIGGING

Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd (Eskom) wil die goedgekeurde solar-fotovoltaïese (PV) en battery-energiebergingstelselselfasiliteite (BESS-fasiliteite) in Mpumalanga ontwikkel. Die solar-fotovoltaïese (PV) en battery-energiebergingstelselselfasiliteite (BESS-fasiliteite) is op 02 Februarie 2024 goedgekeur volgens omgewingsgoedkeuring (EA) (DFFE-verwysing: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2456) en die goedkeuring is geldig tot 02 Februarie 2034. Die aansoeker wil die goedgekeurde gekose projekinfrastruktuur wysig en die goedgekeurde BESS, deel A, uitbrei.

Die volledige omvang van die versoek om wysiging word uiteengesit in die wysigingsverslag. Geen wysiging lei tot nuwe genoteerde aktiwiteite kragtens GNR 983, 984 en 985 van die EIA-regulasies van 2014 (soos gewysig) nie. Die voorgestelde wysigings sal egter lei tot 'n verandering van die omvang van die geldige EA. As sodanig, is 'n wysigingsproses volgens Regulasie 31-wysigingsproses kragtens die EIA-regulasies (GNR 982), EIA-regulasies van 2014 (soos gewysig) van toepassing.

Die projek is geleë op die resdeel van die Komati-kragstasie, nr 56 naby Middelburg, in die Steve Tshwete plaaslike munisipaliteit wat binne die Nkangala-distrikmunisipaliteit in Mpumalanga val. Verder is die uiteensetting en die omgewingsbestuurprogram (EMPr) goedgekeur.

REGISTRATION

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) is deur die aansoeker aangestel as die onafhanklike en behoorlik gekwalifiseerde omgewingsevalueringspraktisyn (EAP), om die proses te bestuur en om die Deel 2-wysigingsproses te hanteer. Partye wat formeel wil registreer as belanghebbende partye en partye wat geraak word om meer inligting te bekom en/of kommentaar te lewer oor die wysigings van die projek, word versoek om volledige skakelbesonderhede (telefoonnommers en adresse) aan die EAP te stuur en bloot te lê wat hulle direkte betrokkenheid, finansiële, persoonlike of ander belang in die projek is. Enige kommentaar oor die voorgestelde projek kan by die EAP ingedien word by die adresse wat hieronder aangedui word. Partye wat registreer as belanghebbendes of partye wat geraak word sal in die toekoms alle projekverwante korrespondensie ontvang.



INSAE-TYDPERK VIR DIE KONSEPWYSIGINGSVERSLAG

Die konsepwysigingsverslag sal vir 30 dae, van **08 Oktober 2024 tot 08 November 2024** deur WSP op versoek vir openbare insae en kommentaar beskikbaar gestel word by die persele wat hieronder genoem word.

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Maak asseblief seker dat alle kommentaar oor die voorgestelde projek of versoeke om registrasie as belanghebbende of party wat geraak word, teen **08 November 2024** ingedien word by die adresse wat hieronder aangedui word. Moet asseblief nie huiwer om met die EAP te skakel indien u enige vrae/kommentaar het nie.

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WSP gaan sekere van u persoonlike inligting as belanghebbende en party wat geraak word (I&AP) verwerk vir die doel van registrasie as I&AP en sodat u besonderhede in ons databasis opgeneem kan word indien u instem dat dit gedoen kan word. WSP gebruik die besonderhede om in die toekoms met u te skakel oor ander relevante projekte. WSP verwerk in alle gevalle u persoonlike inligting volgens die Wet op die Beskerming van Persoonlike Inligting, Wet 4 van 2013. U is geregtig daarop om u regte oor u data uit te oefen en u kan ons laat weet indien u registrasie as I&AP gekanselleer en onttrek moet word en u nie meer u inligting in ons databasis wil hê nie.

