

COOKIES POLICY

This Cookies Policy explains what cookies are, how they are used by Southern European Cluster in Photonics and Optics ("secpho") on [its website](https://www.secpho.org/) <https://www.secpho.org/> (hereinafter, the "Web Site") and how it can be managed by the user.

1. WHAT IS A COOKIE?

A *cookie* is any type of data storage and retrieval device used on a user's terminal equipment for the purpose of storing information and retrieving information already stored. Thus, *cookies* are small data files that are hosted on the user's computer and that contain certain information about the user's visit to the Web Site. The *cookie* is downloaded by the device you use to access the Web Site and stored on that device's hard drive. In this Cookie Policy we use the word *cookie* to refer to all files that store information in this way.

Cookies *have* various utilities, including allowing the Web Site to recognize your device when you visit us again, ensure that you receive the correct content, or store information with preferences or services that you have provided to us. Cookies *do* not damage the user's device.

2. WHAT TYPE OF COOKIES DO WE USE?

Cookies *can* be differentiated taking into account the purpose for which they are used, their duration or who manages them. It is important to note that the same cookie may belong to different categories. Below is a description of the cookies used on the Web Site:

A) Depending on the purpose of cookies

Technical cookies

Technical *cookies* are those that allow you to browse through the Website and use the different options or services that it offers. Our Website uses *technical cookies*, some of which are essential for the operation of Site Web, such as cookies that *allow* us to identify users so that they can enter their private access or keep the session with the server. If you choose not to enable these *cookies*, browsing the Website may not be possible or much less satisfactory because there is content you cannot see or features that you cannot use.

Analysis and statistics cookies

Analysis *cookies* allow us to obtain generic information about your access to the Website in order to provide us with aggregated information about them for statistical purposes.

These types of *cookies* are used to analyze how users browse the Website and monitor the performance of the Website. In addition, the tools used to obtain statistics on the use of the Website offer the possibility of obtaining an ever higher level of detail about the behavior of visitors and users of the Sitio Web. This data may be collected, processed and retained associated with an IP address or a particular user or subjected to a dissociation process in order to obtain conclusions based on anonymous data.

The information collected through cookies may include, among other data, the IP address that identifies the computer at that time, the date and time of access and the areas of the Website that are visited. The purpose of this data collection is to monitor the use and usefulness of our Website, for statistical and security purposes

B) Depending on the entity that manages them

Own cookies

These are *cookies* sent to your terminal from a secpho managed computer or domain and from which the requested service is provided.

Third-party cookies

These cookies are sent to your terminal from a computer or domain that is not managed by secpho, but by another entity that processes the data obtained through cookies.

C) Depending on the activation time

Session cookies

They are cookies designed to collect and store data while the user accesses the Website.

Persistent cookies

They are cookies in which the data are still stored in the user's terminal and can be accessed and processed for a period defined by the person responsible for the cookie, and that can range from a few minutes to several years.

3. WHAT COOKIES CAN YOU FIND ON OUR WEBSITE?

At secpho we use the following technical own cookies (allows session variables to be stored on the website server) and third parties, specifically Facebook for marketing and tracking purposes (tracking visits on different websites) and Google Analytics, in order to analyze your browsing of the Website and obtain statistics (calculation of date and time of purchase, duration of the visit to the Website, number of services requested, search word and search engine used to reach the Website):

Cookie	Holder	Duration
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_fbp	Facebook Inc.	3 months
_utma	Google Analytics	Persistent until deleted by the user
_utmb	Google Analytics	Expires at the end of the session
_utmc	Google Analytics	30 minutes
_utmt	Google Analytics	10 minutes
_utmz	Google Analytics	6 months
PHPSESSID	secpho	Expires at the end of the session

4. HOW TO SET, DISABLE AND BLOCK COOKIES?

You may use our cookie management panel, accessible here, at any time and whenever you want to set your consent to our use of cookies on the Website.

We inform you that, in addition to using our cookie management panel, you can also disable or block cookies by activating your browser settings, allowing you to refuse the installation of all or any of the cookies. If you reject cookies, you may continue to use our website, although the use of some of the services may be limited and as a result, your experience on our Website will be less satisfactory. If you wish to withdraw your consent related to this Cookie Policy, you must delete the cookies stored on your computer through the settings and settings of your internet browser.

You can allow, block or delete cookies installed on your computer by configuring the browser options installed on your computer. For more information on how to adjust your cookie settings in the following browsers, we refer you to the relevant link:

Internet Explorer

- <https://support.microsoft.com/es-es/help/17442/windows-internet-explorer-delete-manage-cookies>

Firefox

- <https://support.mozilla.org/es/kb/habilitar-y-deshabilitar-cookies-sitios-web-rastrear-preferencias?redirectlocale=es&redirectslug=habilitar-y-deshabilitar-cookies-que-los-sitios-we>

Chrome

- <https://support.google.com/accounts/answer/61416?co=GENIE.Platform%3DDesktop&hl=es>

Safari

- https://support.apple.com/kb/PH19214?viewlocale=es_ES&locale=es_ES

5. CHANGES TO THE COOKIE POLICY

This Cookie Policy may be subject to change or modification, so we recommend that you review this policy each time you access our Sitio Web in order to be adequately informed about how and why we use cookies.

6. Contact

If you have any questions, comments or suggestions about our Cookies Policy, please contact us via the email address info@secpho.org.

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