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Upcoming Events

24-28 June 2019 - JOIN US! 4th European Data Protection Law Summer School Advancing (with) EU data protection



In June, the **Brussels Privacy Hub** will host its **4th European Data Protection Law Summer School**, entitled "Advancing (with) EU data protection".

During five days, participants will explore **primary and secondary EU law**, and engage with a variety of stakeholders ranging from **practitioners** with worldwide privacy expertise, **representatives of key EU institutions** including the European Commission and the European Parliament, **data protection authorities** among which the European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS), **digital rights advocates**, and **leading academics** from Europe and beyond. They will also have a unique opportunity to **network** with, and learn from, equally interested participants.

Combining **lectures** by internationally recognised speakers, hand-on **practical cases**, and **role-playing**, students will be brought directly into the heart of European Union's legal and policy-making and given a full-fledged vision of the challenges and opportunities of EU's data protection, and its global role. The programme includes **institutional visits** and **evening networking events**.

A detailed programme is available (may be still subject to small changes)

Confirmed lecturers:

* Giovanni Buttarelli (European Data Protection Supervisor) and EDPS staff on **Independent DPAs**

* Jef Ausloos (University of Amsterdam) on **Right to be forgotten**

* Cecilia Álvarez Rigaudias (Facebook) on **Being a DPO** * Marta Borrat i Frigola (European Banking Federation) on **Dat**a

* Marta Borrat i Frigola (European Banking Federation) on **Data Protection and banking sector**

* Cédric Burton (WSGR) on Data Transfers

* Michał Czerniawski (Permanent Representation of Poland to the EU) on **GDPR Territorial scope**

* Christopher Docksey (Honorary Director General, EDPS) on **Privacy** and **Data Protection**

* Gloria González Fuster (Brussels Privacy Hub, LSTS, VUB) on **Data** subjects' rights and remedies

* Hielke Hijmans (Brussels Privacy Hub) on Lawful processing

* Mireille Hildebrandt (LSTS, VUB) on AI

* Dariusz Kloza (d.pia.lab/LSTS) on **DPIA**

* Meg Leta Jones (Georgetown University) on **Consent and US Data Privacy**

* Shara Monteleone and Kristina Milt (European Parliament) on **Data** protection and the European Parliament

* Teodora Pimpireva (MasterCard) on **Obligations of data** controllers and processors

* Juraj Sajfert (European Commission) on **Data Protection in EU** Institutions

* Brendan Van Alsenoy (Belgian DPA) on **Roles, responsibilities and liability under GDPR**

* Joris Van Hoboken (LSTS, VUB) on the **ePrivacy Directive**

* Audrey Van Scharen (LSTS, VUB) on **Data Protection and** Scientific Research

* Heidi Waem (Crowell & Moring) Practical sessions

Location: Institute for European Studies (IES) of the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB), Pleinlaan 5, B-1050, Brussels.

Language: English.

Target audience: Legal practitioners, public and private sector data protection professionals - including compliance officers, data protection officers, data policy officers - civil society professionals, early career academic researchers and others who work in the areas of privacy and data protection law. Prior familiarity with the field required.

Certificate: Participants will receive a certificate of attendance indicating that they have attended the full programme.

Registration: to register click here.

24 June - The (In)Alienable Data Subject: The seductions of data ownership, control and trade in data protection law (Summer-School opening event)



This roundtable will explore critical questions surrounding **personal 'data ownership'** and **data subject rights** under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

The panelists will address issues such as **individuals' consent ratio and limitations**, the **legal barriers to commercial flow of personal data** under data protection law, the **meaning of genuine 'free' consent**, and how **data subject rights** described in the GDPR are being made, or should still be made, more effective under innovative perspectives (e.g. right to (non)-representation, data trusts, inalienability by default, etc.).

*Paul Nemitz, European Commission (Chair)
*Meg Leta Jones, Georgetown University
*Vaclav Janececk, Oxford University
*Sylvie Delacroix, University of Birmingham and Turing Institute
*Valentina Pavel, Mozilla Fellow, Privacy International

Time: 17.00 - 20.00 (Including reception)

Venue: Permanent Representation of Belgium to the European Union, 65 Rue Bélliard, 1000, Brussels

Registration: The event is free to attend, but due to limited capacity, registration is required. Should you encounter difficulties with the online registration, please contact info@brusselsprivacyhub.eu.

25 June - Informational Self Determination in a Digital Society? with Dr. Jef Ausloos (Summer-School event)



Debate with **Dr Jef Ausloos** (KU Leuven/Amsterdam University), author of a doctoral thesis entitled "The Right to Erasure: Safeguard for Informational Self Determination in a Digital Society?"

The author notes that the Internet – originally designed to make it very hard to monitor or control individual behaviour – has become the breeding ground for some of the most important **information and power asymmetries** of our time. One of the main elements enabling these asymmetries, primarily playing out between individuals and commercial entities, is the processing of (personal) data.

The thesis investigates the **role of individual empowerment over personal data in countering power asymmetries online**. This dissertation's aim is to dissect 'data empowerment' in the information society through the lens of the right to erasure in Article 17 of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). The conclusion is positive: the GDPR's right to erasure does play a meaningful role.

Time: 12.00 - 14.30 (lunch included)

Venue: Institute for European Studies (IES) of the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB), Pleinlaan 5, B-1050, Brussels **Registration**: The event is free to attend, but due to limited capacity, registration is required. Should you encounter difficulties with the online registration, please contact info@brusselsprivacyhub.eu.

26 June - PERSONA (Privacy, Ethical, Regulatory and SOcial No-gate crossing point solution Assessment) project workshop: Towards a comprehensive method for impact assessment of no-gate crossing technologies at European borders (Summer-School side event)

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The purpose of this workshop is to present and gather feedback on the preliminary results of the EU funded research project PERSONA.

PERSONA's main goal is to design and establish a unified and tailored impact assessment method to appropriately evaluate the societal consequences of state-of-the-art border-controlling technologies and to ensure that these solutions meet the requirements and expectations of both, governments, including law enforcement authorities, and individualscrossing (external) European borders. The project's consortium periodically seeks feedback by, inter alia, organizing three workshops.

During the first workshop, the participants will attend two keynote speeches by experts in the area of ethics and technology. Two roundtables will follow, presentingthe first results of the project with a view to seek feedback.

Time: 17.00 - 19.45 (including reception)

Venue: Institute for European Studies (IES) of the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB), Pleinlaan 5, B-1050, Brussels

Registration: A detailed **agenda** and **registration** are available here.

Past Events

27 March 2019 - Meet the Author Series: Data Protection Directive for Police and Criminal Justice Authorities (Juraj Sajfert and Teresa Quintel)



On **27 March 2019**, the **Brussels Privacy Hub** hosted the seventh event of the Meet the Author series.

This time, **Juraj Sajfert** (European Commission, DG JUST) and **Teresa Quintel** (Luxembourg University / Uppsala Universitet) presented their paper entitled "Data Protection Directive (EU) 2016/680 for Police and Criminal Justice Authorities" addressing the particularities of data protection in the area of police and justice by law enforcement agencies (LEAs).

They debated the outcomes of their work with Prof. **Gert Vermeulen** (Ghent University) and **Cecilia Verkleij** (European Commission, DG Home). **Hielke Hijmans** (Brussels Privacy Hub/Belgian DPA) chaired the discussion.

A written summary is available here

<u>1 May 2019 - 4th Digital Data Flows</u> <u>Masterclass: Emerging Technologies</u>



On **1 May 2019**, the **FPF** held the 4th masterclass in the series on **Online advertising technologies** (remote participation).

The session, featuring **Robbert van Eijk** (Leiden University/Dutch DPA) and **Adam Towvim** (Brandeis International Business school/Chameleon Collective), explored: real-time bidding, i.e. the automated process of selecting advertisements to be served to a particular user or device in the time it takes a website to load; flow of

online data between websites, ad networks and intermediaries; how data from users' activities across different websites and platforms is used for behavioral or interest-based advertising.

Watch the video here.

14 May 2019 - Exploring the Privacy and Data Protection connection : International Workshop on the Legal Notions of Privacy and Data Protection in EU Law in a Rapidly Changing World



On 14 May 2019, the Brussels Privacy Hub held a sussessful onday workshop entitled "Exploring the Privacy and Data Protection connection: International Workshop on the Legal Notions of Privacy and Data Protection in EU Law in a Rapidly Changing World"

Academic experts, policy makers and practitioners in Europe, discussed the EU rights to privacy and data protection – their nature, scope and limitations, but also their practical legal and policy implications.

A written summary of this event will be available soon.

News

Hub Member, Dr Hielke Hijmans, is appointed by Belgian Parliament as member of the Board of the Belgian DPA

On 29 March, the Belgian Parliament appointed the five members of the Board of the Belgian Data Protection Authority (Gegevensbeschermingsautoriteit or Autorité de Protection des Données), for a period of six years.

Hielke Hijmans (Brussels Privacy Hub) is appointed as director for litigation and will head a litigations chamber, e.g. responsible for imposing sanctions. David Stevens (chair), Alexandra Jaspar, Charlotte Dereppe and Peter Vaneyden are the other Board members.

Protecting personal data while using artificial intelligence in the humanitarian action

On 2 and 3 April 2019, the Brussels Privacy Hub (BHP) and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) hosted a workshop addressing data protection issues in artificial intelligence use cases in the humanitarian sector.

Representatives of humanitarian organisations, national data protection authorities, scholars, technical experts and representatives of the private sector presented and discussed challenges related to personal data processing in artificial intelligence solutions for humanitarian programs. The discussions highlighted challenges related to machine bias, transparency of systems, data quality, ethical questions related to machine learning and data protection concerns, such as data minimisation and the right not be subjected to a fully automated decision-making.

The two-day workshop was held at the VUB's Institute for European Studies in Brussels and was part of the 2nd working series that aims at updating and extending the scope of the Handbook on Data Protection in Humanitarian Action (Handbook), which was first published in 2017. The revised and more extensive version of the Handbook will be published by January 2020.

Publications

Christopher Kuner, '**The Internet and the global reach of EU law**', in: Marise Cremona and Joanne Scott (eds.), *EU Law Beyond EU Borders: The Extraterritorial Reach of EU Law* 112-145 (Oxford University Press 2019)

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