

Brussels Privacy Hub Newsletter

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1st European Data Protection Law Summer School: Getting to Grips with the GDPR



Summer School a Success

From 4 to 8 July 2016, the Brussels Privacy Hub hosted its first Summer School. The participants (pictured above), who worked in a broad range of fields including law, academia and business, enjoyed a week of sessions with top data protection legal professionals.

We had many speakers covering a diverse range of topics related to the EU GDPR, including Ms. Bojana Bellamy (Hunton & Williams) on accountability; Ms. Mireille Hildebrandt (LSTS, VUB & Radboud University) on data protection and data-driven intelligence; and Mr. Hielke Hijmans (EDPS, LSTS & VUB) on the European data protection board, new rules for DPAs and the one-stop-shop principle.



Opening Reception: Paul Nemitz Keynote

The Summer School was inaugurated by Mr. Paul Nemitz, the Director for Fundamental rights and Union citizenship in the Directorate-General for Justice of the European Commission. He gave a keynote speech on current priorities and challenges with EU data protection law. The keynote address was followed by questions and comments from Prof. Lee A. Bygrave (University of Oslo).

EDPS Visit

The Summer School participants visited the European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS) on 6 July 2016. There, they heard Legal Officer Mr. Romain Robert discuss the EDPS' present and future. Head of Prior Checks Ms. Delphine Harou and Legal Officer Ms. Bénédicte Raevens then looked at data protection in the EU institutions, specifically the EDPS and the DPO network.



Participant Testimonials

"Interesting and experienced speakers giving practical advice"

"Sessions were well planned to cover a wide spectrum of the Regulation"

"It was really interesting and I learned, as a non-expert in the matter, a lot in these five days"

Interview with Visiting Scholar

Visiting Scholar: Prof. Haksoo Ko

Professor of Law at Director of the Centre for Law and Economic Studies at Seoul National University, Prof. Haksoo Ko, was a visiting scholar with the Hub in July 2016. We asked him some questions about his visit:



What brought you to Brussels and, more specifically, to the Brussels Privacy Hub?

Brussels is a natural place to come since it is a global hub when it comes to, among others, issues in data protection. In particular, the Brussels Privacy Hub serves as an important venue for data protection professionals, not just from the EU but from other parts of the world, where important ideas are discussed and disseminated.

How has your visit changed your perspective on data protection in Europe and South Korea?

I met many academics, public officials, and many other professionals who are active in the Brussels data protection scene. This helped me a great deal in understanding how new issues in data protection are debated and important decisions are made in reality. I also realised that many in Brussels (and more broadly in the EU) were interested in learning about South Korea's data protection law, whereas there is not much information available, in particular in the form of academic writings, on South Korea's data protection law. I hope to be able to serve as a bridge and fill the gap, and will try to find further opportunities in order to facilitate dialogue between the two legal regimes.

Recent Events

Seminar on EU-Korea Data Protection

On 6 July 2016, the Hub and the Seoul National University Centre for Law and Economics, supported by Samsung, hosted a seminar on privacy in the EU and South Korea. A representative from the South Korean Ambassador to Belgium and the EU gave the welcome address. Thereafter, Hub Co-Directors Prof. Christopher Kuner, and Prof. Paul De Hert, as well as visiting scholar Prof. Haksoo Ko (Seoul National University School of Law) (pictured below) and Sang-Joo Lee (Samsung) (pictured below) discussed how to build privacy bridges between the EU and South Korea.



Conference on New European Data Protection Laws: The Belgian Perspective

On 7 July 2016, the Hub hosted the one-day conference 'New European Data Protection Laws: The Belgian Perspective', which brought together data protection experts and Belgian professionals impacted by the EU data protection reform package. The Hub was honoured to host Secretary of State for Privacy, Philippe de Backer, who spoke to conference participants about some of the challenges that new data protection reforms pose for Belgian legal professionals.

Pictured: Maria Zaccaria, Belgian Federal Police



Upcoming Events



28-29 September 2016 • Data protection in humanitarian action: Workshop 5 - Cloud Services and Workshop 6 - Bulk SMS and Mobile Messaging

As part of the Data Protection in Humanitarian Action project, in collaboration with the ICRC, the Hub will be hosting two more full-day workshops that consider the data protection implications of cloud services and bulk SMS and mobile messaging in humanitarian action.

The workshops will be held in Brussels, Belgium. For more information, please contact info@brusselsprivacyhub.org.

4 October 2016 • GDPR Workshop Series: The GDPR and privacy impact assessments

The BPH Workshop Series on the Implementation of the GDPR covers various aspects of the EU GDPR and how they will work in practice. The workshops bring together academics, officials of EU institutions, data protection authorities and NGOs. This workshop will consider the implementation of the GDPR and privacy impact assessments.

The workshop will be held from 12:30 - 16:30 at the Institute of European Studies, Brussels. Lunch will be included. Capacity is limited, so registration is required. For more information please contact info@brusselsprivacyhub.org.



[More info on upcoming events](#)

Call for Papers



CALL FOR PAPERS

IDENTIFIABILITY: POLICY AND PRACTICAL SOLUTIONS FOR ANONYMIZATION AND PSEUDONYMIZATION

On 8 November 2016, the Brussels Privacy Symposium will be hosting an academic workshop on Identifiability: Policy and Practical Solutions for Anonymization and Pseudonymization. The call for papers invites authors from multiple disciplines including law, computer science, statistics, engineering, social science, ethics and business to submit papers for presentation at a full-day programme in Brussels.

Abstracts are due **1 August, 2016**, with full papers to follow on **1 October, 2016**.

[More information](#)

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