

In Focus

3rd European Data Protection Law Summer School: Final Programme now available



The **Brussels Privacy Hub** is proud to announce the **3rd European Data Protection Law Summer School**, which will take place between **25 - 29 June 2018**. Building on the success of the first two years, and under the title '**Putting the GDPR into Practice & in Context**', the 3rd European Data Protection Law Summer School will equip participants to adequately tackle the implementation of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and prepare them for the many challenges ahead.

The summer school is aimed at **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 is required.

An **final programme** to the Summer School is now available, subject to possible changes.

Time: 25 June - 29 June 2018

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

Registration: Registration is required. The number of places is limited to 35 places.

More information: For additional information on content, speakers and programme, check our [Website](#).

Register

**Study International, European and Data Law in
Brussels**



The **Brussels Privacy Hub (BPH)** has joined forces with **VUB's Institute for European Studies (IES)** to offer the possibility to study **International and European Law with a Data Law** specialisation in Brussels, starting from the academic year **2018-19**. Students of the LLM in International and European law, an Advanced Master's degree, will be able to follow a **new Data Law option**, consisting of three courses: '**International and European data protection law**', '**Data policies in the EU**', and a case study on '**Global privacy and data protection law**'. You can find more information [here](#).

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Upcoming Events

06 June 2018: Law Enforcement Data Access Series "Encrypted Data: Challenges and Opportunities"

On **6 June 2018**, the Brussels Privacy Hub in collaboration with **Prof Catherine Van de Heyning** (FRC, VUB) and the **CANVAS project** hosts a lunchtime debate in its "**Law Enforcement Data Access Series**" titled "**Encrypted data: Challenges and Opportunities**".

Encryption can be one of the means employed to **foster the fundamental rights of data protection and privacy** and to create a safe and secure internet for all parties involved. In principle, encryption is available to anyone. However, this entails the danger that encryption technologies are abused, including for criminal purposes. The past has shown that organised crime uses encrypted messages for the execution of their agendas. Encryption techniques can also be used to hide financial data from tax authorities or for assisting money laundering. Law enforcement authorities are increasingly interested in accessing encrypted data for public security reasons, which is leading to a **clash between data protection and privacy interests and security**. The debate has been furthered also by the recent French judgement on decryption orders.

The aim of this event is to assess both the challenges and the opportunities encrypted data bring with it, especially considering the law enforcement perspective. The event will be part of the Brussels Privacy Hub Law Enforcement Data Access Series.

Time: 12:00 - 14:15 (lunch included)

Venue: **U-Residence**, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Pleinlaan 2, 1050, Brussel (Access also via Generaal Jacqueslaan 271, 1050 Brussels)

Registration: The event is free to attend but **registration** on the Website is required.

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Brussels Privacy Hub presents: Privacy and Data

Protection Doctoral seminars

The **Brussels Privacy Hub** together with **VUB's Chair 'Fundamental Rights and Digital Transformation'** launched a **Doctoral Seminar series** to give the opportunity to Ph.D. candidates working on privacy and data protection topics at the Institute for Law, Science, Technology and Society (LSTS) to present and discuss their work in progress. The aim of the series is to offer Ph.D. students at all research stages a training ground to refine and practice debating their scientific work, and to receive qualified feedback and questions from their peers and privacy and data protection experts. To this aim, each seminar will include a short presentation by the Ph.D. candidate, followed by an open discussion session with the audience. Seminars are also open to external participants.

Seminars are generally planned for **Mondays** from **12.30 - 13.30** as a working lunch, where participants can bring along their own lunch. For precise announcements please consult our **Website**.

Upcoming seminars:

- **28 May 2018:** Klaudia Majcher "Coherence between EU competition and data protection law in the digital marketplace", 12:30 - 13:30, 4C306, Building C, VUB
- **4 June 2018:** Bárbara Diaz Alaminos "Artificial Intelligence and copyrights: originality and authorship", 12:30 - 13:30, 4C306, Building C, VUB
- **11 June 2018:** Lina Jasmontaite "Framing cyberscurity competence in the EU through mandatory data breach and incident notification regime", 12:30-13:30, 4B302, Building B, VUB

Time: Mondays, 12:30-13:30 (check the BPH **Website** for details)

Venue: VUB

Registration: Events are free to attend and no registration is required.

"GDPR for SMEs" training course now offered by European Digital SME Alliances, d.pia.lab and Brussels Privacy Hub

A new 'GDPR for SMEs' training course is offered by the **European DIGITAL SME Alliance** and the **Brussels Laboratory for Data Protection & Privacy Impact Assessments (d.pia.lab)** in partnership with **Brussels Privacy Hub**.

The training programme is tailored for people running small and medium-sized enterprises and professionals that offer digital services. These companies are often referred to as 'digital enablers' and their activities may range from software development, technology transfer, design and hosting of the web sites, digital marketing to more broadly technology advice and IT security support.

If you are a digital enabler and the GDPR is a legal obligation for your business, you may **register via the European DIGITAL SME Alliance** website for the second edition of the training that is going to take place on **29-30 June 2018**.

Time: 29-30 June 2018 (2 days full training)

Registration: Register with the **European Digital SME Alliance**

Register

Highlights

Launch of Law Enforcement Data Access Series: First events on "US Cloud-Act" and "e-evidence"



18 April 2018 Law Enforcement Data Access Series: US Cloud-Act - Signalling change in global data flows?

On 18 April 2018, the **Brussels Privacy Hub** in collaboration with the **JUD-IT project**, held its first event in its new Law Enforcement Data Access Series titled “**US CLOUD-Act: Signalling change in global data flows?**”. The event was booked out quickly and brought together key experts **Gloria González Fuster** (VUB), **Jason Biros** (U.S. mission to the European Union), **Juraj Sajfert** (DG JUST, European Commission), **Maryant Fernández Pérez** (European Digital Rights) and **Jens-Henrik Jeppesen** (Centre for Democracy & Technology) to discuss the significance of the **US CLOUD act** for cross-border access to electronic data. A summary of this debate can be found [here](#).



9 May 2018 Law Enforcement Data Access Series: Live_For Roundtable - The new EU framework on e-evidence

On 9 May 2018, the **Brussels Privacy Hub** in collaboration with **Live_For** held its second event in its new Law Enforcement Data Access Series titled “**The new EU framework on e-evidence**”. The event brought together a panel of **Lani Cosette** (Director, EU Government Affairs, Microsoft), **Maria Angela Biasotti** (Project Coordinator of the EU project EVIDENCE, via *videoconference*), and **Laure Baudrihay-Gérard** (Senior lawyer, Fair trials). The event was chaired by **Paul de Hert** (Brussels Privacy Hub, VUB) and engaged in an intense debate on the future of e-evidence in the EU legal framework. A summary of this debate will be made available soon on our website.

20 April 2018: Meet the author with Maja Brkan



On **20 April 2018**, the Brussels Privacy Hub hosted a new event titled **“In search of the concept of essence of EU fundamental rights through the prism of data privacy”** in its Meet the Author Series, featuring **Maja Brkan**, the acclaimed author of **“The concept of essence of fundamental rights in the EU legal order: Peeling the onion to its core”** (European Constitutional Law Review, Issue 2, 2018, Forthcoming). The fascinating debate on this theme at the core of the European constitutional order was stirred and furthered by excellent remarks by **Hielke Hijmans** (Brussels Privacy Hub), Prof Dr **Christopher Kuner** (Brussels Privacy Hub) and **Christopher Docksey** (Hon. Director General, EDPS). A full video recording of the event is now available [here](#). A summary will be made available shortly on our Website.

News

Hub Member interviewed about Facebook/Cambridge Analytica scandal

On **25 March 2018**, Hub member Prof. Dr. **Gloria González Fuster** was interviewed by La Voz de Galicia, in the context of the Facebook/Cambridge Analytica scandal and the advent of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). Read the interview [here](#).

Hub Co-Director Christopher Kuner quoted in Politico on global privacy enforcement

On **26 March 2018**, Prof. **Christopher Kuner**, Co-Director of the Brussels Privacy Hub, was quoted in a story by **POLITICO** entitled **“Facebook data scandal opens new era in global privacy enforcement”** which described the Cambridge Analytica revelations from a data protection regulatory perspective. For Kuner the revealed practice of data mining and large amount of personal information available from Facebook showed the need for “having a strong data protection authority”, though it still remains to be seen “whether they are up for the task”.

Christopher Kuner interviewed by Goldman Sachs on the GDPR

On **26 April 2018**, Hub co-director Prof. **Christopher Kuner** has given an interview to the publication “**Top of Mind**” published by Global Macro Research of Goldman Sachs on 26 April. The interview deals with the impact of the new EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

Summary of successful collaboration lunchtime event with EDPS online

On **20 February 2018**, the **EDPS** and the **Brussels Privacy Hub** co-organised a lunch workshop on ‘**Putting a price on your invaluable private life? Personal data and the values behind**’. Romain Robert (EDPS) and Gloria González Fuster (VUB) facilitated the discussion among Damian Clifford (KU Leuven), Sari Depreeuw (Daldewolf), Géraldine Proust (FEDMA), and Agustín Reyna (BEUC). To learn more about the issues addressed by the speakers you can read an **event summary** of 5 May 2018 or watch a full recording [here](#).

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