# The EDPB and the cooperation mechanisms between data protection authorities

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#### How is the EDPB organised?



#### The European Data Protection Board

#### **The EDPB Secretariat**





Chair + 2
Deputy
Chairs



Members are 28 SAs + 3 EEA EFTA SAs + EDPS







	WP29	EDPB
Status	COM expert group Act independently	Independent EU body with legal personality
Members	EU DPAs + EDPS + COM	EU DPAs + EDPS + EEA EFTA DPAs
COM status	Member	Right to participate without voting right
Secretariat	COM	EDPS
Tasks	Advisory role	Advisory role Binding decision Consistency Opinion
Chair	2 years/ renewable	5 years/ renewable once
Majority for decision	Simple majority	Simple majority, except: RoP and Art. 65 binding decision

# **EDPB** Organisation

#### **EDPB Expert Subgroups**

Borders, Travel & Law Compliance, e-

Enforcement (BTLE) Government and Health

Cooperation Enforcement

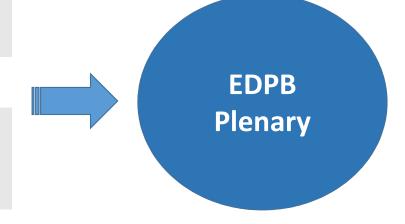
Taskforce on International Transfers

**Administrative Fines** 

Key Provisions Social Media

Technology IT Users

Financial Matters Coordinators







#### What is the mission of the EDPB?



#### **EDPB Mission**

# => Contribute to the consistent application of the data protection rules in EU

- General guidance: to inform the business and individuals
- Consistency application of the GDPR: consistency for Supervisory Authorities

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• Advise the EU Commission: i.e. Adequacy level of protection of third countries

# Examples of guidelines on GDPR

WP29 endorsed by EDPB		
Consent	Transparency	
Profiling	Data breaches	
Data portability	DPIA	
DP Officers	Lead SA	
Records of processing	BCR	
Fines	Adequacy	

EDPB adopted		
Accreditation	Territorial Scope	
Derogations for transfers	Provision of online services under 6.1.b	
Codes of conduct	Certification	
Video devices		



#### Consistency at the EDPB level



**Binding decisions (Dispute resolution)** 

Dispute between the Lead SA and the Concerned SA

Opinions: cross border issue



#### **Consistency Opinions**

- 31 opinions: processing subject to DPIA
- 3 opinions: processing exempt to DPIA
- 28.8 DK Standard Contract (C-P)
- Competence SA in case of change relating to main/single establishment
- Interplay ePrivacy/GDPR
- ESMA admin. arrangement for international transfers
- EC FAQs Clinical trials





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#### Enforcement of the GDPR is for Supervisory Authorities

#### **Cross-border cases**

#### **National cases**





#### Lead Supervisory Authority in cross-border cases

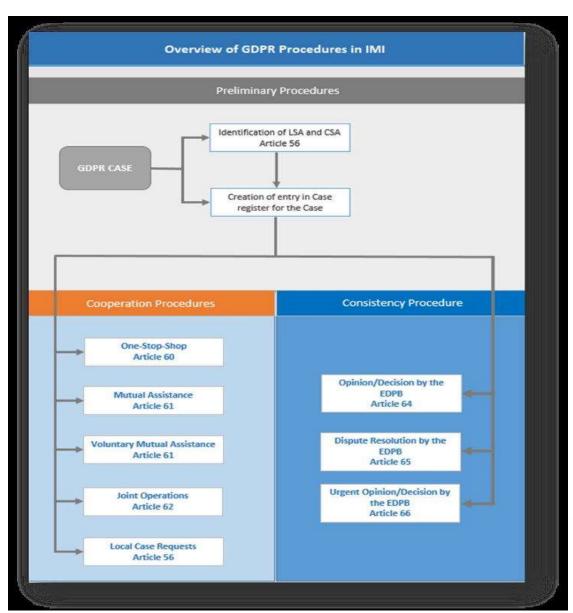
- Lead SA coordinates
  - Reinforced cooperation with concerned SAs
  - Mutual assistance
  - Joint operations
- Lead SA try to reach consensus
- Lead SA takes enforcement action
- Exception: locally handled cases



#### Exchange of information – IMI system









# Cooperation among Members – Ongoing OSS Cases

Identification of the LSA + cross-border component

• 1145 procedures initiated to identify the Lead SA + the Concerned SAs.

966 are closed. Up to now, no dispute arose.

=> 616 cooperation cross-border cases (435 out of a complaint and 181 from other sources)



# Cooperation among Members

Ongoing OSS cases

 363 OSS procedures initiated: 46 final decisions



### Cooperation among Members

Mutual assistance

• 1716 mutual assistance requests triggered by SAs.

**Joint Operations** 

 no joint operations have been initiated.



#### Questions?

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