

Developments in Data Protection Regulations

information session

INTRODUCTION

The European Commission put forward its EU Data Protection Reform in January 2012 to make Europe fit for the digital age. More than 90% of Europeans say they want the same data protection rights across the EU – and regardless of where their data is processed. On 15 December 2015, the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission reached agreement on the new data protection rules, establishing a modern and harmonised data protection framework across the EU. The European Parliament's Civil Liberties committee and the Permanent Representatives Committee (Coreper) of the Council then approved the agreements with very large majorities. The agreements were also welcomed by the European Council of 17-18 December as a major step forward in the implementation of the Digital Single Market Strategy.

The objective of this information session is to inform employers about the implications of EU General Data Protection Regulation and the Data Protection Directive. There will be a keynote address by Mr. David Smith, who is an expert with extensive experience in EU Data Protection legislation.

PROGRAMME

- 14.30 **Registration and coffee**
- 15.00 **Welcome Address**
Mr. Arthur Muscat
President
Malta Employers' Association
- 15.10 **Introductory address**
The Hon. Helena Dalli
Minister for Social Dialogue, Consumer Affairs and Civil Liberties
(to be confirmed)
- 15.25 **Data Protection Legislation & Employment**
Dr. Charlotte Camilleri
Executive in EU & Legal Affairs
Malta Employers' Association
- 15.45 **Address**
Mr. Saviour Cachia
Commissioner
Information & Data Protection
- 16.00 **Keynote Address**
Mr. David Smith
- 16.40 **Questions from the floor**
- 16.55 **Concluding Remarks**
Mr. Arthur Muscat
President
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KEYNOTE SPEAKER

David Smith

David Smith retired from his position as Deputy Commissioner and Director of Data Protection in the UK Information Commissioner's Office in November 2015. During his 25 year career at the ICO, first as Assistant Commissioner and latterly as Deputy Commissioner, David was closely involved in all aspects of the development and application of Data Protection regulation in the UK. As Deputy Commissioner and a member of the ICO's Management Board David led work across all the ICO's Data Protection functions. He was responsible to the Commissioner for ensuring that the ICO built and maintained its reputation as an effective but practical supervisory authority both in the UK and internationally. This included overseeing the introduction of civil monetary penalties from 2010 onwards.

During his 10 years as Deputy Commissioner David represented the ICO on the Article 29 Working Party of European Data Protection Commissioners. Amongst his other international responsibilities David served as Chairman of the Joint Supervisory Body charged with supervising Data Protection compliance by the European police organisation, Europol and represented the UK in the privacy related work of the OECD (Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development).

Since leaving the ICO David now works part-time as an independent Data Protection expert. His assignments include acting as Special Adviser to the leading UK law firm Allen & Overy and continuing to assist the OECD in its data privacy work.



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