New Application to be accredited as an observer of the Conference (Reciprocal Rights)

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Briefly describe the organisation
I am submitting this application in my capacity as the Chair of APEC Data Privacy Sub-Group (DPS), which sits under the APEC Electronic Commerce Steering Group (ECSG). The DPS is the APEC body charged with developing and implementing privacy policy initiatives within APEC. The ECSG provides high-level oversight and coordinates the work and priorities of the DPS with broader APEC objectives, as set by APEC member economy ministers and leaders. The DPS developed the APEC Privacy Framework and the Cross-Border Privacy Rules System.

The purpose of this application is to facilitate ongoing cooperation between the ECSG (specifically the DPS) and the ICDPPC through participation in relevant meetings.

Reciprocal Recognition

Has the applicant organisation granted the International Conference status as an observer to its meetings?

Yes

Provide relevant details of the observer status granted by the applicant organisation to the Conference

The ICDPPC was granted renewed guest status at APEC Electronic Commerce Steering Group (ECSG) meetings on 22 January 2015 for the period January 2015 through to 31 December 2017. The ECSG has two sub-groups, the Data Privacy Sub-Group and the Paperless Trade Sub-Group. All three groups meet twice a year. The APEC guest status is equivalent...
to observer status. The ICDPPC guest status entitles ICDPPC representatives to participate in all ECGS and sub-group meetings as well as to receive invitations to other APEC events (for example, seminars, workshops or projects) on the same basis as ECGS member economies.

**Duration of requested observer status**

**Duration:**

for a period of time covering more than one annual conference
New Application to be accredited as an observer of the Conference (International Organisation)

**Details of the Authority**

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**Description of Applicant**

**Confirm**

- The applicant is an international organisation
- The activity of the international organisation is related to the protection of personal data or privacy

**Briefly explain the ways in which the activity of the international organisation is related to the protection of personal data or privacy**

Baker & McKenzie is one of the most international lawfirms of the world, having offices in 77 cities, in 54 countries. The international data protection & data privacy group is an internationally operating group of legal experts in the data protection area. No other lawfirm has as many CIPP certified lawyers and Baker & McKenzie's Global Privacy Handbook is a yearly updated standard work used by thousands of data protection professionals around the globe.

**Duration of requested observer status**

Duration:
for a period of time covering more than one annual conference

**Additional comments**

**Further brief comments to explain or support the application may be added here:**

Baker & McKenzie is a truly international organization. It is incorporated in a Swiss Verein to which the various local offices are a member. Baker & McKenzie is not a public entity, nor a non-for-profit organization, but it is an "international organization whose activity is related to the protection of personal data or privacy" as referred to in article 5.3.b. of the Conference Rules and Procedures.
New Application to be accredited as an observer of the Conference (Public Entity)

Details of applicant

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- The applicant is a public entity
- The applicant does not meet the criteria to become a Conference member
- The entity is involved in dealing with the protection of personal data and/or privacy

Briefly describe the entity's involvement in dealing with the protection of personal data and/or privacy

The applicant is the Chief Privacy and Civil Liberties Officer of the United States Department of Justice (the "DOJ CPCLO"), where she is the senior official for Privacy and Civil Liberties. The Department of Justice is a federal executive department of the U.S. government, responsible for the enforcement of the law and administration of justice in the United States, equivalent to the justice or interior ministries of other countries. The Department of Justice is headed by the United States Attorney General, who is nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate and is a member of the Cabinet. The components of the Department include the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Bureau of Prisons, and several other domestic law enforcement organisations. The Attorney General is also responsible to provide authoritative and binding legal advice to the heads of all federal agencies, including the heads of the U.S. Intelligence Agencies. The DOJ CPCLO is
appointed by the Attorney General and reports to and advises the Attorney General on all actions taken by the Department that may affect privacy and civil liberties, as well as all legal and significant policy issues pertaining to privacy and civil liberties. The DOJ CPCLO is thus responsible for providing advice on law and policy on issues pertaining to the protection of personal data, as well as any actions taken by law enforcement and national security agencies that affect personal privacy and civil liberties. Thus, because of her role as advisor to the Attorney General, the DOJ CPCLO is the most important United States Official for privacy, and plays an important role overseeing and coordinating all the United States’ government’s actions that affect privacy and civil liberties.

**Duration of requested observer status**

**Duration:**

for a period of time covering more than one annual conference

**Additional comments**

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Please see separate cover letter.
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- The entity is involved in dealing with the protection of personal data and/or privacy

Briefly describe the entity's involvement in dealing with the protection of personal data and/or privacy

The newly establish Data Protection Unit of the Danish National Police is charged with promoting and ensuring the overall compliance with data protection law and principles within the Danish National Police. Tasks include formulating codes on the use of personal data, education initiatives, representing the Danish National Police in relevant EU and international forums (DAPIX, EUROPOL etc.), advising on day-to-day data protection issues, drafting data processing agreements, handling data breaches, responding to call for comments regarding proposed rule changes from the Council of Europe, EU and nationally concerning the protection of personal data within the police sector and the public sector at large etc.

The Head of Unit is also designated as the Chief Privacy Officer of the Danish National Police.

Duration of requested observer status

Duration:
for a period of time covering more than one annual conference
New Application to be accredited as an observer of the Conference (International Organisation)

**Details of the Authority**

**Name of International Organisation**
International Committee of the Red Cross Data Protection Office

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**Description of Applicant**

**Confirm**
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- The activity of the international organisation is related to the protection of personal data or privacy

**Briefly explain the ways in which the activity of the international organisation is related to the protection of personal data or privacy**

The ICRC Data Protection Office is the entity within the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), a sui generis International Organisation, entrusted with ensuring the application and with the enforcement of the ICRC Rules on Personal Data Protection (Rules).

The tasks of the ICRC Data Protection Office are clearly set out in the Rules (see in particular Chapter 5 Implementation). The Rules are available here: https://www.icrc.org/en/document/data-protection

This application for observer status is made without prejudice to the capacity of the Data Protection Office to fulfil the
requirements for full Membership. Application is for observer status only and not for Membership, to ensure compliance with the ICRC fundamental principles of neutrality, impartiality, and independence.

The ICRC Data Protection Office has been very active, beyond its internal mandate, to promote data protection and privacy within International Organisations, as well as in the field of humanitarian action.

As far as the former is concerned, the ICRC Data Protection Office has hosted a workshop on Data Protection within International Organisations, co-organised with the European Data Protection Supervisor, in February 2016 (more information is available here: https://www.icrc.org/en/event/5th-workshop-data-protection-within-international-organisations and here: https://secure.edps.europa.eu/EDPSWEB/edps/site/mySite/intorg).

As far as the latter is concerned, the ICRC Data Protection Office has been running a joint project with the Brussels Privacy Hub on data protection and humanitarian action (more information is available here: https://www.icrc.org/en/document/data-protection-humanitarian-action and here: http://www.brusselsprivacyhub.org/project.php). In the framework of this project the ICRC Data Protection Office and the Brussels Privacy Hub have been working closely with other humanitarian organisations and with the International Conference Working Group on the Resolution on Privacy and International Humanitarian Action.

**Duration of requested observer status**

**Duration:**

for a period of time covering more than one annual conference
New Application to be accredited as an observer of the Conference (International Organisation)

Details of the Authority

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Description of Applicant

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- The activity of the international organisation is related to the protection of personal data or privacy

Briefly explain the ways in which the activity of the international organisation is related to the protection of personal data or privacy

The collection and processing of personal data is a necessary component of IOM's commitment to facilitate migration movements, understand migration challenges, and respect the human dignity and well-being of migrants. IOM's data protection guidance seeks to protect the interests of IOM beneficiaries, as well as the Organization itself.

IOM was one of the first international organizations to develop its own Data Protection Principles in 2009 together with an extensive Manual providing practical guidance for protecting personal data in the context of migration. The IOM Data Protection Manual was developed to provide a standardized approach to protecting the personal data of IOM beneficiaries. It was the first publication of its kind to provide such guidance in the context of migration. It outlines how IOM should handle personal data of IOM beneficiaries with a view to protect their privacy. As stated in the foreword of the Manual, IOM hoped that the content of the Manual was going to add to the discussions of stakeholders, both nationally and internationally, given the lack of a binding international instrument of data protection and especially following the resolution adopted at the 31st ICDPPC calling for a universal convention and recognizing that data protection and privacy are fundamental rights attributed...
to all individuals, irrespective of nationality or residence.

Data protection is paramount for the safe exchange, secure storage and confidential treatment of personal data. To enhance IOM operations and systems, data protection is applied systematically throughout the Organization. IOM had 2,760 active projects worldwide in 2015 and personal data processing is included in many of them in order to provide assistance and migration services to beneficiaries, such as resettlement, assisted voluntary return and reintegration and cash assistance. Due to the multifaceted nature of IOM activities, data protection issues are considered at all stages, from project development and implementation to evaluation and reporting.

The key objectives of IOM on data protection are:
- To respect privacy and meet the expectations of the data subjects.
- To protect the integrity and confidentiality of personal data.
- To prevent unnecessary and inappropriate disclosure of personal data.
- To provide comprehensive institutional safeguards for the handling of personal data.
- To enhance the understanding of core concepts and international data protection standards.
- To give operational guidance for the implementation of the IOM data protection principles.

IOM understands that data protection is a constantly evolving area of law mainly due to the rapid growth of information technology and the fact that data are digitally transferable and easily accessed. Being a humanitarian organization with over 400 offices in more than a hundred countries, IOM noted the Resolution on Privacy and International Humanitarian Action of the 37th ICDPPC in Amsterdam, which highlighted especially the endeavour to meet the demand for cooperation in the development of guidance expressed by international humanitarian actors, and it wishes to participate in such discussions.

IOM has already participated actively in initiatives of international organizations concerning issues of data protection, such as the 2016 International Workshop on Data protection within international organizations co-organized by the ICRC and the European Data Protection Supervisor as well as data protection workshops co-organized by the ICRC and the Brussels Privacy Hub. IOM aims to increase its participation in further initiatives of the international legal community and also to organize in spring 2017 the next International Workshop on data protection within international organizations. Being an observer in the 38th ICDPPC will allow IOM to fulfill these aims and to observe and contribute to the discussions of the data protection community present in this important annual gathering.

Duration of requested observer status

Duration:

only for the forthcoming conference

Additional comments

Further brief comments to explain or support the application may be added here:

Established in 1951, the International Organization for Migration is the leading intergovernmental organization in the field of migration and is committed to the principle that humane and orderly migration benefits migrants and society. IOM works with its partners in the international community to assist in meeting the growing operational challenges of migration, advance understanding of migration issues, encourage social and economic development through migration and uphold the well-being and human rights of migrants.

IOM is governed by its 165 Member States in accordance with its Constitution, which is an international treaty. IOM has its Headquarters in Geneva and over 400 offices in more than a hundred countries. It follows the United Nations common system in its financial and administrative management and it enjoys privileges and immunities normally accorded to international organizations and their staff under international law.

Following the approval of an IOM-UN cooperation agreement by the IOM Council and the UN General Assembly, IOM will become a related organization to the UN after the signature of the Agreement which will take place on 19 September 2016 during the United Nations Summit on Refugees and Migrants.

It is also important to note that in 2015, in order to respond to growing calls for comprehensive data on global migration trends, IOM created its Global Migration Data Analysis Centre (GMDAC) based in Berlin, Germany. GMDAC aims to provide authoritative analysis of data on global migration issues, while advocating for the better collection and use of migration data. It also aims to explore innovative areas of work in this field, such as understanding how new technologies and “big data” can be used to analyse migration trends and patterns.
**New Application to be accredited as an observer of the Conference (Public Entity)**

**Details of applicant**

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**Briefly describe the entity's involvement in dealing with the protection of personal data and/or privacy**

The Commission is the Ombudsman of the Republic of Kenya which is responsible for addressing maladministration in the Public sector which usually includes access to information and data protection.

**Duration of requested observer status**

**Duration:**

for a period of time covering more than one annual conference

**Additional comments**

Further brief comments to explain or support the application may be added here:
The jurisdiction of the Ombudsman of Kenya is currently being reviewed by the Kenyan Parliament to give it statutory mandate to oversight access to information and data protection. In this regard, the Conference would be of benefit to the Commission since it will provide an opportunity for learning best practices, networking and benchmarking.