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Dear Giovanni

**40<sup>th</sup> International Conference of Data Protection and Privacy Commissioners to be held in Brussels in 2018**

I am delighted to inform you that the Conference has selected the European Data Protection Supervisor and the Bulgarian Data Protection Authority to be the joint hosts of the 40th International Conference of Data Protection and Privacy Commissioners.

The ICDPPC Secretariat will soon be in touch with your office to discuss certain matters of detail.

It will be an exciting and useful time for the world's data protection and privacy authorities to be in Brussels so soon after the scheduled commencement of the General Data Protection Regulation. The occasion will also mark other milestones such as the Conference's 40<sup>th</sup> birthday and the first hosts drawn from a supranational authority and from the Western Balkans.

Yours sincerely

John Edwards  
**ICDPPC Chair**