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## Multi-national forums active in privacy and data protection

Name of forum and contact details	Statement of objectives or mission statement	Work plan	Roles
<p><b>Asia Pacific Data Protection Authorities (APPA)</b></p> <p>Brenton Attard - Secretariat <a href="mailto:APPAscretariat@oaic.gov.au">APPAscretariat@oaic.gov.au</a></p> <p>Website <a href="http://www.appaforum.org/">http://www.appaforum.org/</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue the cooperative arrangements established in 1992 and encourage further participation from within the region</li> <li>• maintain constructive relations with complementary networks including the International Conference of Data Protection and Privacy Commissioners, the APEC CPEA and the Global Privacy Enforcement Network.</li> <li>• Facilitate sharing knowledge and resources between privacy authorities in the region</li> <li>• Foster cooperation in privacy and data protection</li> <li>• Jointly promote privacy awareness activities</li> <li>• Promote best practice amongst privacy authorities</li> <li>• Work to continuously improve our regulatory performance</li> <li>• Support efforts to improve cross-border cooperation in privacy enforcement.</li> </ul>	<p>No work plan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cooperation with other networks</li> <li>• Information/experience sharing</li> <li>• Cooperation (general)</li> <li>• Cooperation (enforcement)</li> <li>• Public education/raising awareness</li> <li>• Sharing regulatory practice</li> </ul>
<p><b>Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation – Cross border Privacy Enforcement Authorities (APEC CPEA)</b></p> <p>Secretariat Karen Yeo <a href="mailto:Ky15@apec.org">Ky15@apec.org</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facilitate information-sharing among Privacy Enforcement Authorities (PEAs) in APEC economies by creating a framework under which PEAs may, on a voluntary basis, share information and request and render assistance in certain ways.</li> <li>• Facilitate PEA cooperation in enforcing Cross Border Privacy Rules (CBPRs).</li> <li>• Encourage information sharing and cooperation</li> </ul>	<p>CPEA Administrators are conducting a review of the CPEA's first three years of operation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cooperation (enforcement).</li> </ul>

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<a href="#">Website</a>	<p>on privacy investigation and enforcement with privacy enforcement authorities outside APEC, including by ensuring the CPEA can work seamlessly with similar arrangements such as those developed by the OECD .</p>		
<p><b>APEC Electronic Commerce Steering Group – Data Privacy Subgroup (ESCG DPS)</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.apec.org/Groups/Committee-on-Trade-and-Investment/Electronic-Commerce-Steering-Group.aspx">http://www.apec.org/Groups/Committee-on-Trade-and-Investment/Electronic-Commerce-Steering-Group.aspx</a></p>	<p>The DPS has put APEC at the forefront of placing electronic commerce and data privacy issues on the international agenda. The DPS promotes a consistent approach to information privacy protection across the APEC region while avoiding the creation of unnecessary barriers to information flows. The DPS has spearheaded several initiatives to implement the APEC Privacy Framework, including the APEC Cross-Border Privacy Rules (CBPR) system , the APEC Cross-Border Privacy Enforcement Arrangement (CPEA) and the Privacy Recognition for Processors (PRP) scheme. .</p>	<p>Yes, but not publicly available.</p>	
<p><b>Association of Francophone Data protection authorities (Association francophone des autorités de protection des données personnelles AFAPDP)</b></p>	<p>The objectives of the AFAPDP (Article 5 of the Articles of AFAPDP) are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. "Contribute to increase the effectiveness of its members in the promotion and implementation of the right to protection of personal data, for the implementation of cooperation programs based on training, practical training, exchanges of information and studies in order to share expertise and experience;</li> <li>2. To encourage the study and research on issues and practices related to the protection of personal data and share the results of this research between the authorities;</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Organize the 8th Conference of the Francophone AFAPDP and 9th General Assembly on 25 and 26 June 2015 in Brussels and support southern countries of francophone representatives’ participation</li> <li>2. Guarantee documents in french and french translation at the 37th International Conference of Commissioners on personal data protection in Amsterdam and support the participation of French-speaking representatives</li> <li>3. Follow the work of the Consultative Committee of Convention 108 of the Council of Europe, including participating in the plenary</li> </ol>	<p>The Association of Francophone Personal Data Protection Authorities (AFAPDP) is an association created in 2007 in Montreal. It brings together data protection authorities of the Francophonie (members), states and governments wishing to adopt a law on personal data protection and institutional or community organizations involved in the promotion</p>

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	<p>3. To establish a center of expertise and exchange of experience serving as a support for the adoption of national legislation or international instruments for the protection of personal data;</p> <p>4. collect, store and disseminate information on authorities in charge of the protection of personal data, and to contribute to the network of information and cooperation developed by the Directorate of peace, democracy and the rights of the International Organization of the Francophonie (OIF) in the implementation framework of permanent observation and evaluation provided for in Chapter 5 of the Bamako Declaration and the Charter of partnership between the OIF and institutional networks of the Francophonie adopted in 2012;</p> <p>5. To provide a forum for reflection and exchange between members and observers of the AFAPDP about new issues and challenges in the field of the protection of personal data and privacy;</p> <p>6. To cooperate with other organizations and associations as part of the consolidation of the protection of personal data as a factor in the promotion of the rule of law and democratic development. "</p>	<p>meeting of Committee from 1 to 3 July 2015 and promote Convention 108 in Francophone countries</p> <p>4. Implement the resolution "on supporting businesses and their efforts for technological innovation" adopted by the General Assembly in September 2014</p> <p>5. Organize training on compliance monitoring procedures of personal data processing in the 2nd half of 2015 in African French-speaking countries</p> <p>6. Participate in the organization and intervention of the African Forum on data protection organized on 19 and 20 May 2015 in Dakar, Senegal</p> <p>7. Facilitate actions in support of national authorities or bodies (trainingz, study visits, outreach mission, reconciliation with institutional partner organizations)</p> <p>8. Create a digital space for sharing documents between members AFAPDP</p>	<p>of the right to data protection (observers ).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The actions of the AFAPDP aim to improve and harmonize the level of data protection of Francophones by national and international law, to foster the exchange of best practices between institutions and to disseminate to a wide audience a culture of data protection.</li> <li>• They aim to implement the Declaration of Heads of State and Government of French-speaking in Ouagadougou in 2004, in Bucharest in 2006, in Montreux in 2010, in Kinshasa in 2012 and Dakar in 2014, and " Digital Francophonie Strategy: 2020 "adopted in Kinshasa in 2012.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Article 29 Working Group</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Article 29 Data Protection Working Party was</li> </ul>	<p>The Work programme 2014-2015 is available at</p>	<p>The Working Party was set</p>

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	<p>set up under the Directive 95/46/EC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It has advisory status and acts independently.</li> <li>• The Article 29 Data Protection Working Party is composed of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ a representative of the supervisory authority (ies) designated by each EU country;</li> <li>○ a representative of the authority (ies) established for the EU institutions and bodies;</li> <li>○ a representative of the European Commission.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The Working Party elects its chairman Choose translations of the previous link and vice-chairmen Choose translations of the previous link. The chairman's and vice-chairmen's term of office is two years. Their appointment is renewable.</li> <li>• The Working Party's secretariat is provided by the Commission.</li> <li>• According to Article 30 of the Directive, The Working Party shall: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) examine any question covering the application of the national measures adopted under this Directive in order to contribute to the uniform application of such measures;</li> <li>(b) give the Commission an opinion on the</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://ec.europa.eu/justice/data-protection/article-29/documentation/opinion-recommendation/files/2013/wp210_en.pdf">http://ec.europa.eu/justice/data-protection/article-29/documentation/opinion-recommendation/files/2013/wp210_en.pdf</a></p>	<p>up to achieve several primary objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To provide expert opinion from member state level to the Commission on questions of data protection.</li> <li>• To promote the uniform application of the general principles of the Directives in all Member States through co-operation between data protection supervisory authorities.</li> <li>• To advise the Commission on any Community measures affecting the rights and freedoms of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and privacy.</li> <li>• To make recommendations to the public at large, and in particular to</li> </ul>
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	<p>level of protection in the Community and in third countries;</p> <p>(c) advise the Commission on any proposed amendment of this Directive, on any additional or specific measures to safeguard the rights and freedoms of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on any other proposed Community measures affecting such rights and freedoms;</p> <p>(d) give an opinion on codes of conduct drawn up at Community level.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Working Party may, on its own initiative, make recommendations on all matters relating to the protection of persons with regard to the processing of personal data in the Community.</li> </ul>		<p>Community institutions on matters relating to the protection of persons with regard to the processing of personal data and privacy in the European Community.</p>
<p><b>British, Irish and Islands Data Protection Authorities (BIIDPA)</b></p>			
<p><b>Central and Eastern European Data Protection Authorities (CEEC)</b></p>			
<p><b>Common Thread</b> <a href="http://www.cto.int/news/common-thread-network-to-">http://www.cto.int/news/co mmon-thread-network-to-</a></p>	<p><b>Mission Statement</b> The Common Thread Commonwealth Association for Data Protection and Privacy is a data protection and privacy working group of Commonwealth countries. It</p>	<p>No</p>	

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<p><a href="#">facilitate-cybersecurity-and-cybergovernance-collaboration-in-commonwealth/</a></p> <p>Lasantha De Alwis <a href="mailto:L.DeAlwis@cto.int">L.DeAlwis@cto.int</a></p>	<p>provides a network for data protection authorities and government officials to share knowledge, experiences and good practices in order to contribute to the development of a global privacy framework and to foster capacity building in that regard.</p> <p><b>Objectives</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build member states' capacity to promote and apply data and privacy protection measures.</li> <li>• Represent a privacy expertise hub for Commonwealth states and privacy professionals.</li> <li>• Foster sharing of knowledge and good practices.</li> <li>• Cooperate with other organizations and associations to promote data and privacy protection.</li> </ul>		
<b>Council of Europe T-PD</b>			
<b>European Data Protection Authorities (EDPA)</b>			
<b>Global Privacy Enforcement Network (GPEN)</b>	<p>Action Plan at: <a href="https://www.privacyenforcement.net/public/activities">https://www.privacyenforcement.net/public/activities</a></p> <p>GPEN connects privacy enforcement authorities from around the world to promote and support cooperation in cross-border enforcement of laws protecting privacy.</p>	<p>2014 Annual report includes the 2015 workplan. <a href="https://www.privacyenforcement.net/node/513">https://www.privacyenforcement.net/node/513</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Further grow its membership and member engagement by continuing to improve its suite of available tools and enforcement cooperation opportunities;</li> <li>• Conduct its third annual enforcement sweep;</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building practical tools</li> <li>• Enforcement focus</li> <li>• Information/experience sharing</li> <li>• Cooperation (enforcement)</li> <li>• Broad-based &amp; inclusive</li> </ul>

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	<p>It primarily seeks to promote cooperation by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• exchanging information about relevant issues, trends and experiences;</li> <li>• encouraging training opportunities and sharing of enforcement know-how, expertise and good practice;</li> <li>• promoting dialogue with organizations having a role in privacy enforcement;</li> <li>• creating, maintaining and supporting processes or mechanisms useful to bilateral or multilateral cooperation; and</li> <li>• undertaking or supporting specific activities such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ periodic conference calls</li> <li>○ a website discussion forum</li> <li>○ coordinated enforcement activities</li> <li>○ development of a secure information sharing system for privacy enforcement authorities.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finalize the secure online enforcement coordination tool and information sharing system;</li> <li>• Subject to feasibility testing, initiate new cooperation tools to facilitating capacity building opportunities (secondments, training exchange, employment exchange), knowledge dissemination (podcasts, enforcement questionnaire, special interest groups);</li> <li>• Enhance links with like-minded enforcement groupings (e.g. APEC CPEA) through a 'Network of Networks' initiative.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Ibero-American Network of Data Protection (RIPD)</b></p> <p>Website <a href="http://redipd.org">http://redipd.org</a></p>	<p>The Ibero-American Network of Data Protection (RIPD) arises as a result of the agreement reached at the Ibero-American Data Protection (EIPD) held in La Antigua, Guatemala, in 2003, attended by representatives of 14 Latin American countries .</p> <p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promote regulatory progress in the region.</li> <li>• Promote cooperation, dialogue and sharing of information for the development of initiatives and data protection policies.</li> </ul>	<p>The 2014-2016 Action Plan was approved In the XII Conference of the Network, held in November 2014 in Mexico City, and confirmed in the XIII Conference, in Lima, on May 2015.</p> <p>The plan includes four general objectives whose immediate goals include Network consolidation and the creation of a strategic plan towards 2020. These objectives in turn are made up of action items and activities. Said objectives</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cooperation (general)</li> <li>• Information / experience sharing</li> <li>• Public education / raising awareness</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promote policies, technologies and methodologies to ensure the fundamental right of personal data protection.</li> <li>• Provide technical assistance and transfer of technological knowledge to members who request it.</li> <li>• Promote agreements with public or private institutions that enable the development and implementation of projects of mutual interest.</li> <li>• Promote the draft and publication of papers and works to allow disseminate and publicize the results in the development of their activities.</li> <li>• Strengthen the presence of the Network in an international environment.</li> <li>• Provide transparency and dissemination to all activities of the RIPD.</li> <li>• Promote training programs among its members as well as information to data subjects on the use and destination of their personal data and rights that may exist in relation to its processing.</li> </ul> <p><a href="http://www.redipd.es/documentacion/common/REGLAMENTO_RIPD_17_10_13.pdf">http://www.redipd.es/documentacion/common/REGLAMENTO_RIPD_17_10_13.pdf</a></p>	<p>include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Network consolidation.</li> <li>2. Promote international cooperation.</li> <li>3. Events and initiatives supporting the ongoing regulatory processes in the region; in the framework of the cooperation with the EUROsocial Programme.</li> <li>4. Seminar on Big Data, to be held in Montevideo on November 2015.</li> <li>5. Promotion of the education and on-line training, especially for public employees.</li> </ol>	
<p><b>International Working Group on Data Protection in Telecommunications (IWGDPT) also known as the Berlin Group</b></p> <p>Secretariat <a href="mailto:iwgdpt@datenschutz-">iwgdpt@datenschutz-</a></p>	<p>The Working Group was founded in 1983 in the framework of the International Conference of Data Protection and Privacy Commissioners at the initiative of the Berlin Commissioner for Data Protection, who has since chaired the Group. The Group has since 1983 adopted numerous recommendations (“Common Positions” and “Working Papers”) aimed at improving the protection of privacy in</p>		

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<a href="http://berlin.de">berlin.de</a>	telecommunications. Membership of the Group includes representatives from Data Protection Authorities and other bodies of national public administrations, international organisations and scientists from all over the world. Since the beginning of the 90s the Group has in particular focused on the protection of privacy on the Internet.		
<b>London Action Plan</b>			
<b>Nordic Data Protection Authorities (NDPA)</b>			
<b>Organisation of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) – Working Party on Security and Privacy in the Digital Age (WPSPDE)</b> <a href="mailto:Elettra.RONCHI@oecd.org">Elettra.RONCHI@oecd.org</a> <a href="http://oe.cd/privacy">http://oe.cd/privacy</a>	<p>The SPDE develops public policy analysis and high level recommendations to help governments and other stakeholders ensure that digital security and privacy protection foster the development of the digital economy.</p> <p>It gathers policy experts from <a href="#">OECD member</a> and partner governments as well as business, civil society and the Internet technical community to share experience on better approaches to security and privacy in an open and globally interconnected environment. The SPDE reports to the Committee on Digital Economy Policy (CDEP) which itself reports to the <a href="#">OECD Council</a>.</p> <p>The SPDE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Addresses information security and privacy as complementary issues that are essential for the sustainability of the Internet economy as a platform for economic and social prosperity.</li> </ul>		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Is a platform where policy makers monitor trends, share experience, and analyse the impact of technology on information security and privacy policy making.</li><li>• Develops and monitors the implementation of several non-binding <a href="#">legal instruments</a> (soft law) adopted by the <a href="#">OECD Council</a> by consensus.</li><li>• Maintains an active network of experts from government, business, civil society and the Internet technical community.</li></ul> <p>The SPDE is supported by the OECD Secretariat within the <a href="#">Directorate for Science, Technology and Industry</a>. It meets twice a year in <a href="#">Paris</a> and organises workshops and conferences.</p> <p>SPDE delegates come from various government bodies with an interest in the economic and social aspects of information security and privacy. Non-governmental stakeholders participate actively in the dialogue through the Business and Industry Advisory Committee to the OECD (<a href="#">BIAC</a>), the Civil Society Information Society Advisory Council (<a href="#">CSISAC</a>) and the Internet Technical Advisory Committee (<a href="#">ITAC</a>). The WPISP has also established relationships with other international and regional organisations such as <a href="#">Council of Europe</a>, Asia-Pacific Economic Co-operation (<a href="#">APEC TEL</a> and <a href="#">APEC ECSG</a>), <a href="#">ENISA</a>, the International Conference of Data Protection and Privacy Commissioners, and the Global Privacy Enforcement Network (<a href="#">GPEN</a>).</p>		
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