



SUMMARY OF THE 66th GPA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Executive Committee Meeting: 14 October 2021

The meeting was chaired by Elizabeth Denham CBE, Information Commissioner, Information Commissioner's Office (ICO), UK, GPA Chair.

GPA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ELECTIONS 2021-2023

The meeting discussed the election of the new Executive Committee Chair and members 2021-2023. Representatives from the UK, as Chair and Secretariat of the GPA, Burkina Faso, and Albania and New Zealand as Observers, will be stepping down from the Committee. The Executive Committee's election outcome will be announced at the Closed Session on 21 October 2021.

UPDATE FROM THE GPA STRATEGIC DIRECTION SUB-COMMITTEE

The Chair of the Strategic Direction Sub-Committee (SDSC), Ms. Angelene Falk, Privacy Commissioner, Office of the Australian Information Commission (OAIC), Australia thanked the Executive Committee for their engagement actions on the new Strategic Plan which will be presented for adoption at the 43rd Global Privacy Assembly 2021 in October. The Executive Committee thanked the chair for the hard work on the Strategic Plan.

43rd GPA 2021 CONFERENCE

The National Institute for Transparency, Access to Information and Personal Data Protection (INAI), Mexico is looking forward to hosting the Assembly. The Closed and Open Sessions will be held on a platform that allows all international authorities to participate securely and exchange knowledge, information and best practice sharing amongst attendees. Domestic authorities will be participating in person.

The Committee agreed on a form of external communication post-Closed Session.

GPA HOST BID 2022

New Zealand expressed its disappointment at being unable to host in 2022. The meeting discussed the outcome of the invitation to those authorities who had bid to host in 2023 to consider bringing their hosting forward to 2022. The Secretariat will advise the membership



of the new GPA Host 2022 and launch the GPA membership objection period. The GPA Host bid 2022 will be announced at the GPA 2021 Closed Session Conference.

RECOGNITION OF THE OUTGOING CHAIR'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE GPA

On behalf of the Committee, Australia recognised that this was the outgoing Chair's last Executive Committee Meeting as Chair.

Australia thanked the Chair for her vision and leadership over the past three years as Chair of the Executive Committee. Australia emphasised the Chair's extraordinary ability to motivate and engage the membership which has developed, amongst other things, the GPA's voice and influence throughout the year as well as a new name and identity that collectively culminated in achieving the Assembly's global objectives.

Australia introduced the following motion for adoption by the Executive Committee:

'The Executive Committee recognises the outstanding leadership of Chair Elizabeth Denham whose vision and commitment has resulted in the evolution of the GPA to become a truly strategic body that supports members year-round to effectively fulfil their mandates, both individually and in concert, during a time of unprecedented global challenge.'

Albania seconded the motion introduced by Australia. Albania also thanked the Chair for her inspirational support for the 41st Conference in Tirana.

The Committee adopted the motion.

The Chair expressed her thanks to all the Committee members and recognised the privilege of working with such an active Executive Committee.