



## GPA Global Privacy and Data Protection Awards 2023

### Entry Form

To submit an entry to the GPA Global Privacy and Data Protection Awards please complete and email this form to [secretariat@globalprivacyassembly.org](mailto:secretariat@globalprivacyassembly.org) **no later than 9 June 2023**.

Note: GPA member authorities can submit as many entries as they wish, but a separate form should be used for each different entry, submitted by the deadline above.

Languages: The GPA documentation Rule 6.2<sup>1</sup> applies.

#### 1. CONTACT DETAILS FOR THIS ENTRY

Privacy/Data Protection Authority:	PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION OFFICE (PL: URZĄD OCHRONY DANYCH OSOBOWYCH, UODO)
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#### 2. ELIGIBILITY

By submitting this entry, I confirm that (*please tick all boxes to confirm*):

- The Authority is a member of the Global Privacy Assembly
- The initiative described in this entry was undertaken since January 2022.
- I am aware that the information in the entry (other than the contact details in 1(a) above) will be publicised by the GPA Secretariat.

#### 3. CATEGORIES

Please indicate which category you wish to enter.

*Please tick **one**; please use a separate form for each category you wish to enter:*

- Education and Public Awareness
- Accountability
- Dispute Resolution and Enforcement
- Innovation
- People's Choice

<sup>1</sup> [GPA Rules and Procedures](#), Rule 6.2 'Assembly documents':

Without prejudice to section 4.2, Assembly documents, including accreditation and observer applications may be submitted in English or in another language. In the latter case, the documents shall be accompanied by an English version. Members with the ability and the resources to do so are encouraged to translate proposed resolutions and other Assembly documents such as the Assembly Rules and Procedures.

#### 4. DESCRIPTION OF THE INITIATIVE

**a. Please provide a brief summary of the initiative (no more than 75 words)**

**#DataProtectionLessons (PL: #ODOlekcje)** is a new initiative in the Nationwide Educational Programme of the Personal Data Protection Office “Your data – Your concern. Effective protection of personal data. Educational activity addressed to students and teachers”. The classes are organised to provide pupils with knowledge on how to function safely in the world of new technologies. The initiative also serves to emphasise the value of data protection and privacy in everyone's life, especially young people.

**b. Please provide a full description of the initiative (no more than 350 words)**

The main objective of the “Your data – Your concern” Programme is to include the issues related to personal data protection and the right to privacy in the educational offer of teachers vocational training centres, primary, secondary and high schools in Poland.

**During the 2022/2023 school year, classes will be held once a month starting from November to April, from 10.00 to 10.45 a.m.** The strengths of the planned classes are the online formula, the variety of topics emphasising the role and importance of various aspects of privacy and data protection for the younger generation, as well as the adaptation to the needs of students with disabilities the topics and the way in which the lessons are delivered.

Among the topics of the online lessons planned are: privacy, protection of personal data and safe use of such data on the Internet or while using new technologies, conscious management of one's image, especially when using social media, and recognising the risks associated with the use of personal data in the virtual world.

Purposes of **#DataProtectionLessons** are directly related to the following specific aims of the “Your data – Your concern” Programme:

- increasing knowledge on the legal status of personal data protection in Poland of teachers and teaching consultants;
- enhancing competences of teachers and teaching consultants in the field of shaping among students the knowledge and skills related to personal data protection and everyone's right to privacy;
- including the issues related to personal data protection and the right to privacy in the educational offer for vocational training of teachers and teaching consultants;
- improving methodology techniques of teachers and teaching consultants;
- enabling exchange of experience on implementation of the curricula among teachers and teaching consultants;
- increasing knowledge of students on respecting human rights, including in particular the right to privacy and personal data protection;
- teaching students to become informed and responsible citizens.

**c. Please explain why you think the initiative deserves to be recognised by an award (no more than 200 words)**

Educational activities and raising public awareness are a very important part of the activities of the Personal Data Protection Office. The GDPR places particular emphasis on the protection of children's privacy and personal data in all European Union countries. This task is supported by the successfully implemented Nationwide Educational

Programme of the Personal Data Protection Office “Your data – Your concern. Effective protection of personal data. Educational activity addressed to students and teachers”. The Polish supervisory authority believes that education, especially of children and young people, is very important nowadays, when we are exposed to **more and more risks related to the use of new technologies**. It is worth remembering to take care of privacy and to ensure the protection of personal data at the same time. For these reasons the Polish supervisory authority decided to implement the initiative. #DataProtectionLessons was a very popular initiative. In average, 100 schools took part in each of the webinars, with an average of 30 students from each class. 7 webinars were organised, which means that **approximately 21 000 participants took part in the #DataProtectionLessons**.

- d. **Please include a photograph or image, if you wish** (*This will be published with your entry on the GPA website. The image can be pasted into the box below, be sent as an attachment or a link may be provided*)



- e. **Please provide the most relevant link on the authority’s website to the initiative, if applicable** (*The website content does not need to be in English*)

<https://www.uodo.gov.pl/en/642/1471>

<https://www.uodo.gov.pl/en/642/1473>

<https://www.uodo.gov.pl/en/642/1475>

<https://www.uodo.gov.pl/en/642/1476>

- f. **Please provide any other relevant links that help explain the initiative or its impact or success** (*e.g. links to news reports or articles*):