

GPA Global Privacy and Data Protection Awards 2024

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 no later than 17 June 2024.

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 6.2¹ applies.

1. CONTACT DETAILS FOR THIS ENTRY	
Privacy/Data Protection	PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION OFFICE
Authority:	(PL: URZĄD OCHRONY DANYCH OSOBOWYCH, UODO)
Person completing this form:	ANNA
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	EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
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2. ELIGIBILITY	
By submitting this entry, I confirm that (please tick all boxes to confirm):	
☐ The initiative described in this entry was undertaken since January 2022.	
oximes 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	
4. DESCRIPTION OF THE INITIATIVE	

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.

¹ GPA Rules and Procedures, Rule 6.2 'Assembly documents':

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

In 2024, for the twelfth time, the President of the Personal Data Protection Office invited students of law and administration faculties of the third and fifth year of long-cycle studies and the 1st-3rd year of second-cycle studies to participate in an essay competition entitled "Checking students' predispositions with the use of artificial intelligence". The competition is organised by the Personal Data Protection Office and the National Chamber of Legal Advisers.

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

The aim of the competition was to promote knowledge about the protection of personal data. It also allowed students to test their knowledge in formulating practical solutions in the face of real legal problems. This year, students faced issues related to the use of artificial intelligence tools to check students' predispositions to study in a given field of study. Such tools can be used to analyse information available on the Internet, including the content of entries and posts, and to prepare an assessment of the candidate's aptitude and actual commitment to a given field of study. The university adds or subtracts points in case of such a person depending on the result of the algorithm's evaluation. This year, candidates were tasked with assessing whether the university has a legal basis to process personal data used in such an analysis of candidate information. Will it be justified to collect data from various sources to check whether a candidate has chosen the right field of study?

The task of the participants was to prepare a solution to the case in the form of an essay. The deadline for submissions was May 24, 2024.

A competition committee consisting of experts from the Personal Data Protection Office, specialists from the National Chamber of Legal Advisers and the law firm Kobylańska Lewoszewski Mednis once again selected the winners in an essay competition for students of law and administration. This time, the students delved into the topic of data processing by artificial intelligence, which is extremely important nowadays. The topic of the case study was "Testing the aptitude of students using artificial intelligence". The basis for the competition participants' conclusions and assessments on the topics presented in the case study were primarily communications and decisions of the President of the Personal Data Protection Office, quoted literature and international case law, the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), and the newly adopted Artificial Intelligence Regulation (AI Act).

The diploma and award ceremony for the competition will take place on 27 June at a conference at the University of Warsaw.

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

At the Personal Data Protection Office, we know how important educational activities and raising public awareness are. That is why, for years, the Office has been initiating or sponsoring many undertakings that serve to spread knowledge about the protection of personal data. This competition enjoys great interest among students every year. We received many interesting entries and were thus able to select the best ones. We appreciated the positions of the DPA, communications or decisions quoted in the essays and, of course, the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), which were the basis for

the conclusions presented in the works by the participants of the competition. We are pleased to see that young people are interested in data protection and privacy. 5 students were awarded special prizes in the form of participation in a training programme at the Personal Data Protection Office.

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/553/1678

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):