



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

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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

¹ [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)

A platform for a global dialogue among International Organisations

To strengthen global partnerships in data protection, the EDPS provides a platform through workshops dedicated to data protection in International Organizations. The workshops offer a unique forum for exchanging insights on critical data protection issues faced by International Organizations. The 2023 edition of the workshop was co-hosted by the EDPS and INTERPOL in Lyon, France. The 2024 edition, in collaboration with the World Bank, will convene for the first time outside Europe in Washington, DC, amplifying the workshop's global scale.

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

The International Organizations' Workshop, an initiative by the European Data Protection Supervisor, aims to cultivate and strengthen international collaborations in the field of data protection.

The EDPS co-organizes the workshop annually, each year in a different location and in collaboration with a different International Organization. The workshop provides a platform for International Organizations to exchange ideas, experiences, concerns and best practices in the field of data protection. It also serves as a forum to discuss the most recent regulatory developments at international level related to data protection and their implications on International Organisations.

The workshop aims to include both main sessions and breakout sessions to maximise engagement and learning opportunities. Main sessions serve as the workshop's foundation, tackling overarching themes in data protection. Breakout sessions foster in-depth discussions within smaller groups. In these sessions, representatives of International Organizations delve deeper into specific areas of interest, sharing knowledge and exchanging diverse perspectives, experiences and insights, while fostering capacity building through shared best practices and strategies for developing data protection measures within their organizations. The collaborative nature of the workshop facilitates knowledge sharing between International Organisations, promotes accountability and contributes to the development of more robust and effective data protection practices on a global scale.

Building upon this collaborative format, the 2023 edition of the workshop, hosted by the EDPS in collaboration with INTERPOL, took place in Lyon, France in October 2023. This edition focused on privacy and data protection trends, data transfers to and between International organisations, management of digital identities and the reconciliation of Digital transformation and Data protection.

Expanding its horizons, the 2024 edition, organised in partnership with the World Bank, will be held for the first time outside Europe in Washington, D.C. This edition will focus on the development and use of artificial intelligence in International Organizations, data transfers to and among International Organisations, compliance of IT tools with privacy obligations,

personal data breaches, as well as challenges and best practices of data protection professionals and DPOs in International Organisations.

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

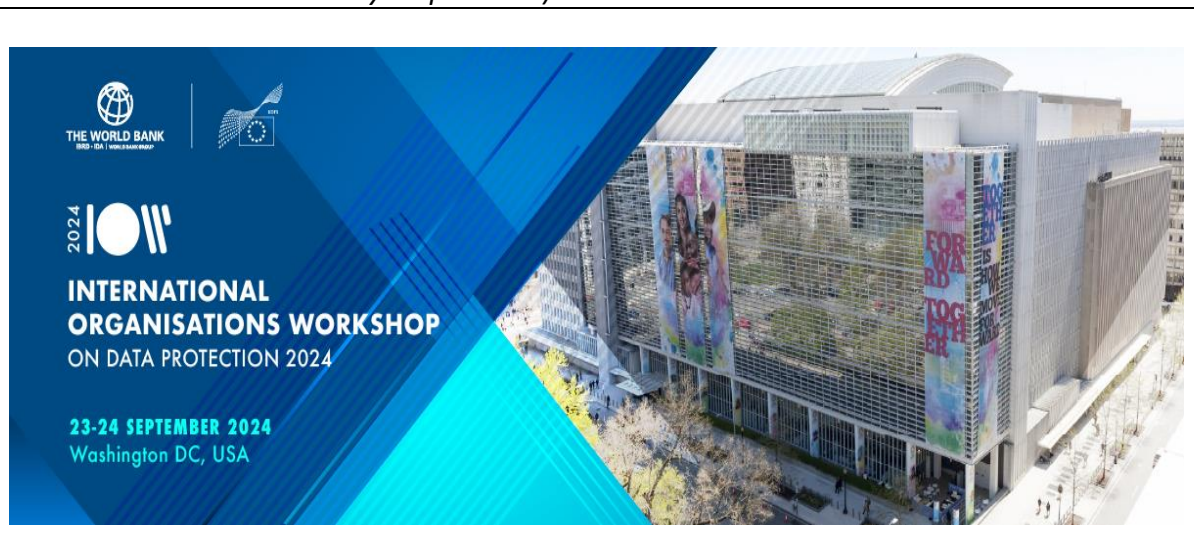
Firstly, the workshop successfully promotes data protection standards on a global scale, facilitating a discussion on data protection issues with a broad international perspective, which transcends geographical boundaries and regulatory frameworks. This approach is particularly crucial for International Organizations due to their operations spanning multiple jurisdictions.

Furthermore, the workshop serves as a platform for discussing pressing issues and promoting best practices in data protection, bringing together International Organizations to share knowledge and innovative strategies for safeguarding personal data. This collaborative approach fosters global cooperation and indicates a general commitment to shared responsibility in protecting individuals' rights. Through knowledge sharing, networking and capacity building, the workshop helps International Organizations translate legal requirements into robust data protection practices, thereby ensuring accountability.

Lastly, the workshop, offering the opportunity for engagement in in-depth discussions about data protection issues, encourages participants to assess their current practices in relation to data protection and identify areas for improvement. Through this process, the workshop facilitates International Organizations in effectively implementing data protection measures and refining their approach to accountability.

Particularly, the 2024 edition, held for the first time outside of Europe, aims to further promote accountability within International Organizations by expanding the workshop's global reach.

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*)

International Organisations Workshop on Data Protection 2023:
https://www.edps.europa.eu/data-protection/our-work/publications/events/2023-10-24-international-organisations-workshop-data-protection-2023_en

International Organisations Workshop on Data Protection 2024- A platform for a global dialogue among International Organisations:

<https://20years.edps.europa.eu/en/initiatives/platform-global-dialogue-among-international-organisations>

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*):

Data Protection and International Organisations: https://www.edps.europa.eu/data-protection/our-work/edps-worldwide/data-protection-and-international-organisations_en

Working with international organisations to lead the way in data protection:

https://www.edps.europa.eu/press-publications/press-news/blog/working-international-organisations-lead-way-data-protection_fr

Workshop: Data Protection within International Organisations 2022:

https://www.edps.europa.eu/data-protection/our-work/publications/events/2022-05-12-workshop-data-protection-within-international-organisations-2022_en