



46th Closed Session of the Global Privacy Assembly

October 2024

Accreditation Resolution

Having regard to Rule 5.1 and Rule 5.3 of the GPA Rules and Procedures (Consolidated version, October 2021),

The 46th Global Privacy Assembly Closed Session Meeting accredits the following new Members and Observers:

1. New Members

1. The International Financial Center of Astana, Kazakhstan.
2. The Mauritanian Personal Data Protection Authority
3. The Institute of Transparency and Access to Information of the State of Quintana Roo, Mexico.
4. The Institute of Transparency and Access to Information of the State of Tamaulipas, Mexico.
5. The Qatar National Cybersecurity Agency.
6. The Zimbabwe Postal and Telecommunications Regulatory Authority.
7. The Data Protection Office of the Qatar Financial Centre, and
8. The Uganda Personal Data Protection Office.

2. New Observers

1. International Consumers
2. The Financial Stability Board
3. The Global Network of Online Safety Regulators
4. The National Data Protection Authority of Somalia
5. The World Bank

The Observer Status of existing Observers, which applied for renewal, has been granted:

1. The International Directorate of Industrial Safety of Canada.
2. The Data Protection Supervisory Authority of the European Space Agency
3. Meity from India
4. International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

Explanatory Note

The accreditation process begins when an applicant completes an online application to become a Member or Observer. This application requires all relevant details to establish eligibility. The GPA Secretariat forwards each application to the Executive Committee members who have been assigned the responsibility to undertake the assessment. Each application has first been reviewed by an Accreditation Subcommittee, comprising three Executive Committee members, who are tasked with producing an accreditation recommendation for each candidate, subsequently approved by the Executive Committee as a whole.

Traditionally, the Accreditation Resolution would normally be adopted on the first day of the Annual Meeting during the Governance Matters session, where GPA members would have the opportunity to raise objections on the Executive Committee's recommendation. However, the decision of the Executive Committee to hold the 44th Annual Meeting in Istanbul as a hybrid event translated into the need to take a pragmatic and flexible approach to accreditation of new members. Since the 45th Annual Meeting, hosted by Bermuda, has also had to resort to hybrid format, it was decided to pursue the precedent set successfully at the 44th Annual Meeting. As a result, mirroring the process for the accreditation of Observers, an objection period on the Executive Committee's recommendation of new members was also introduced, envisaging an electronic vote taking place.

In line with the GPA rules and procedures, it appears that the applications received in this cycle were fully compliant.