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Improving the evidence base for privacy and security policy making:
Promoting Comparability in Person Data Breach Notification Reporting

Measurement activities by the International Conference of Data Protection and Privacy Commissioners

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International Conference of Data Protection and Privacy Commissioners (ICDPPC)

- Premier global forum of privacy and data protection regulators for 4 decades
- Meets annually in a different city: most recently in Marrakesh
- Next conferences: 2017 in Hong Kong [www.privacyconference2017.org](http://www.privacyconference2017.org) and 2018 in Brussels
- Adopts resolutions on topics of importance

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ICDPPC Resolution on developing new metrics of data protection regulation (2016)

- Resolution adopted in October 2016 in Marrakesh
- Recitals acknowledge OECD leadership and, in effect, aligned Conference’s goals with the OECD Cancun Ministerial declaration’s stated intent

‘in close co-operation with all stakeholders, to share experiences and work collaboratively “to contribute to developing new metrics for the digital economy, such as on trust, skills and global data flows”’

- The recitals noted that the Conference’s mission “to disseminate knowledge, and provide practical assistance, to help authorities more effectively to perform their mandates” will be advanced by closing the gaps in the available measures of data protection and privacy regulation
Resolution

Two related aspects:

- Play a part in helping to develop internationally comparable metrics in relation to data protection and privacy, and
- Support the efforts of other international partners to make progress in this area
What has followed October’s resolution?

1. ICDPPC Census
2. ICDPPC Data Protection Metrics Working Group
3. Support efforts of international partners
ICDPPC Census

• 1st ever ICDPPC census: designed to give a detailed baseline ‘snapshot’ of privacy and data protection authorities across the globe

• Results to be released from June 2017 onwards:

• Reports be posted to https://icdppc.org/the-conference-and-executive-committee/icdppc-census/
ICDPPC Census cont’d

Survey in 7 Parts:
• A. Authority profile
• B. Data protection law, jurisdiction and exemptions
• C. Authority’s funding and resources
• D. Authority’s enforcement powers, case handling and reporting
• E. Cross-border data flows, enforcement and cooperation
• F. Breach notification
• G. Other matters

Topics selected, and questions devised, by ICDPPC Secretariat with some assistance from IAPP, OECD Secretariat and Asian Privacy Scholars Network (APSN)
ICDPPC Census cont’d

Example: breach notification

- 5 questions (+ supplementary clarification)
- Covered existence of obligations, mandatory/voluntary, sectoral coverage, enforcement, numbers, reporting practices
- Several questions mirrored earlier OECD and IAPP questions to aid comparability
Example: breach notification (cross-border)
Do [your mandatory breach notification] requirements provide any explicit direction on notification to individuals living in other jurisdictions?

Note: SEM to OECD Privacy Guidelines 2013 suggest that “special consideration ... be given to the interests of affected individuals who may live outside the jurisdiction”
ICDPPC Data Protection Metrics Working Group

- March 2017 Working Group set up to further the aims of the resolution, led by New Zealand
- WG still settling its work programme but the key 2017 focus will be to establish mechanisms to enable DPAs to incorporate common core questions in their public opinion surveys
- Will contribute to ICDPPC Census analysis and September roundtable and continue its work into 2018
- Contributed to a survey of DPA breach notification statistical practices
ICDPPC works with international partners

- DPAs both a source of statistical data and beneficiary of analysis and useful measures
- DPAs resources are modest and their statistical expertise limited
- However, by leveraging existing DPA networks and working with partners it should be possible (in some areas) to substantially supplement the current paucity of internationally comparable privacy metrics
Recent ICDPPC work with partners

- ICDPPC Census design benefited from input from academia (APSN), NGO (IAPP) & international governmental organisation (OECD)
- ICDPPC Census delivery assisted by OECD Secretariat
- ICDPPC Secretariat will make census data available to OECD, other DPA networks and researchers for more detailed research purposes (See published release policy)
- Breach notification survey undertaken jointly with APPA Comparative Privacy Statistics Working Group
- Committed to jointly host APPA-ICDPPC-OECD Privacy Metrics Roundtable in September in Hong Kong alongside 39th Conference
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