



Privacy Desk

Data Protection and Privacy Newsletter

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Enforcement updates



State Owned Corp. fined for credit analysis

Innovasjon Norge a state-owned corp. was fined NOK 1 million by Datatilsynet, Norway's Data Protection Authority as it conducted credit analysis of an Individual and his sole proprietorship without appropriate legal basis. Previously, Datatilsynet had fined a trading co. for similar violations.

Google+

Google plus USD 7.5 million settlement approved

District Court of Northern California, US approved the agreement to settle charges in a class action lawsuit brought against Google Plus. The lawsuit arose from a 2018 security bug which exposed Google Plus user's profile information on the internet. As part of the settlement agreement Google agreed to pay USD 7.5 million.



Highest fine issued by Spanish watchdog

AEPD, the Spanish data protection authority issued a fine of EUR 6 million against CaixaBank S.A. for violating GDPR. Particularly the authority noted that the bank failed to obtain valid consent, shared the personal data within the group and provided irregular and imprecise terminology in their privacy policy. This is the highest fine issued by AEPD under GDPR till date.



FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION PROTECTING AMERICA'S CONSUMERS



Health App settles charges with FTC

Flo Health Inc, a woman's health app settled with Federal Trade Commission (FTC) for data privacy charges. FTC noted that the app promised users that their personal health data will be kept private was in fact shared with third parties like Facebook, Google, AppsFlyer, and Flurry for marketing and analytical purposes. Also it was alleged that Flo violated the EU-U.S. Privacy Shield and Swiss-U.S. Privacy Shield frameworks.

As part of the settlement the Flo is prohibited from misrepresenting the purposes, will have to notify affected users and will have to obtain independent review of its data privacy practices and policies.

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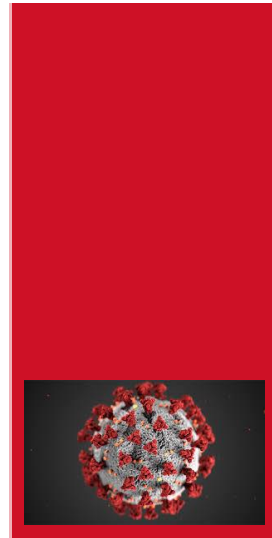
Guidance issued



- **AEPD published guidance paper on audit requirements for personal data processing operations involving AI.**



- **FAQ on data protection implications of Covid-19 vaccination released by the State Commissioner for Data Protection and Freedom of Information (LfDI) Rhineland-Palatinate**



- **A second opinion document on the implementation of information systems and data processing operations related to tackling the Coronavirus epidemic released by French data protection authority (CNIL).**



中华人民共和国工业和信息化部
Ministry of Industry and Information Technology of the People's Republic of China

- **Draft guidelines for the construction of basic security standard systems for the Internet of Things (IoT) released by The Ministry of Industry and Information Technology of the People's Republic of China.**

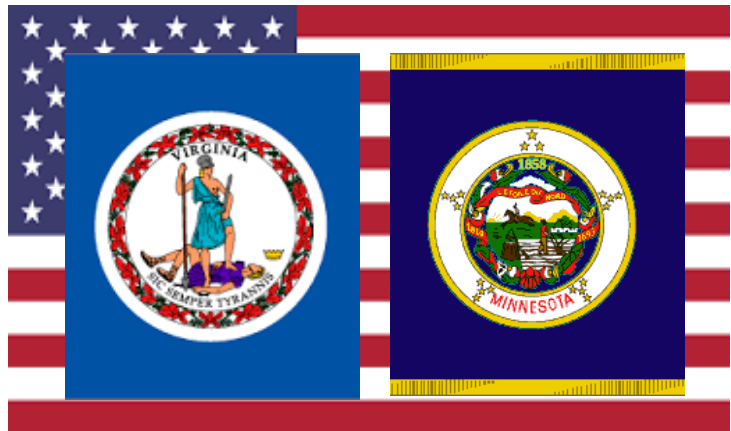
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Regulatory updates around the globe





- **Law to limit use of contact tracing data by enforcement agencies to be proposed in Singapore.**



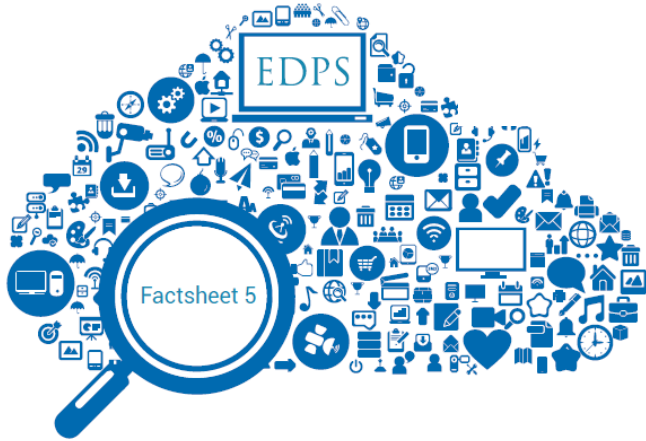
- **Two senate bills for consumer data protection introduced in Virginia and a bill on consumer data privacy introduced in Minnesota, US.**

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EU updates



- EDPB and EDPS issue joint opinion on new draft SCCs.
- EDPB issues updated versions of its statement and information note on data transfers under the GDPR to the United Kingdom after the transition period. Also releases draft guidelines on examples regarding data breach notification.



- **An open-source tool to inspect and automate data privacy and protection for websites released by EDPS.**
- **Privacy Activist group ‘noyb’ files complaint against European Parliament with regard to data transfers to US, and insufficient cookie information.**

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India updates



- **Parliamentary Standing Committee on IT summons Facebook over changes in WhatsApp's privacy policy.**



- **Personal data of consumers at risk on the Taka Sky and Croma API's.**

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US news



- **Privacy activists call on newly elected US President Joe Biden to regulate and protect consumer data privacy.**



- **US Federal Courts ramps up data protection measures, following to SolarWinds data breach.**

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International updates



International
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- **ISO (The International Organization for Standardization) releases new standards on biometric security.**

- **Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) UK gives clarity data transfers from UK to SEC (Securities Exchange Commission), US.**

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