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Data Protection and Privacy Newsletter

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Enforcement updates



Facebook fined EUR 7 million

Facebook Ireland Ltd. and Facebook Inc. were fined by the Italian Antitrust Authority (ACGM), for not complying with its 2018 order regarding unlawful processing of consumer data. The Authority had revealed that Facebook misled its user's, without disclosing them of its collection activity and the commercial purpose of the data it collects at the time of user account creation. The Authority concluded that Facebook's response has been unsatisfactory, and that no corrective action was taken pursuant to the order, thus a total fine of EUR 7 million was levied on the two companies.



UK firms fined for unlawful marketing calls

Information Commissioner Office, UK fined Call Centre Ops of Nottingham and House Guard of Bournemouth, after investigations revealed that the firms made unlawful marketing calls to numbers registered with the Telephone Preference Services, thereby breaching the Privacy and Electronic Communications Regulations. ICO served a monetary penalty notice of EUR 120,000 and EUR 150,000 respectively to the firms.



TikTok to settle data privacy class action in US

ByteDance Inc., the parent company for TikTok has proposed a USD 92 million settlement for a class action against it concerning, unlawful collection and use of user's data. The class action forms part of 21 lawsuits filed against TikTok alleging that the company, harvested user's data including facial recognition data, unlawfully and without obtaining consent. The motion for settlement is filed in United States District Court of Illinois.



GARANTE PER LA PROTEZIONE DEI DATI PERSONALI

Italian watchdog fines for processing employee data

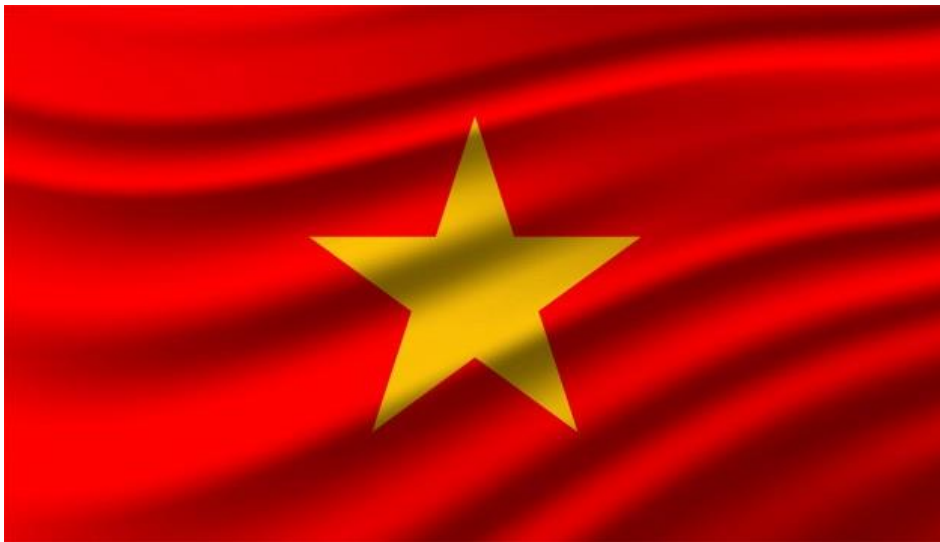
Provincial Health Authority of Enna was fined EUR 30,000 by Garante, the Italian Data Protection Authority for violating the provisions of GDPR by collecting and processing biometric data (fingerprints) of the employees in attendance detection system without lawful basis, adequate safeguards, and valid consent.

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Regulatory updates around the globe



- **Bills on Consumer Data Privacy introduced in state legislatures of Florida, Minnesota and Illinois, USA.**



- **Draft Decree on Personal Data Protection published in Vietnam.**



- **Online Safety Bill introduced in Australia.**
- **Republic of Uzbekistan proposes amendments to its law on personal data.**

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EU updates





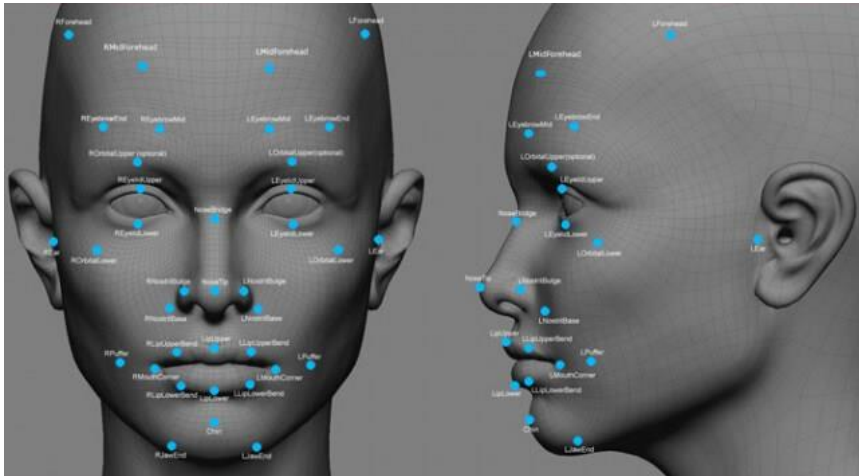
- **European Data Protection Supervisor published its opinions on the proposals for a Digital Services Act and Digital Markets Act.**
- **The European Data Protection Board released guidance on application of the GDPR to health research.**
- **European Data Protection Supervisor issues clarification on EU-UK data transfer agreements.**

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India updates



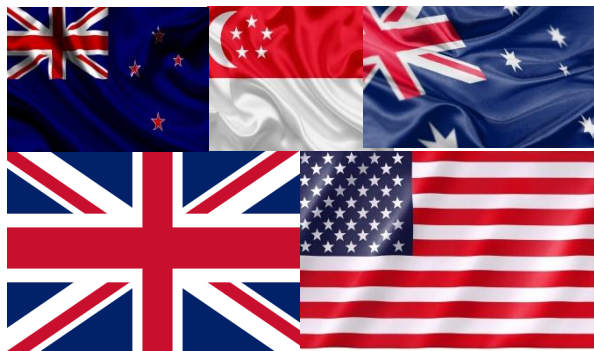
- **Increase in hiring trends for Data Privacy Officers in India – Read the report by The Economic Times**



- **Facial recognition technologies installed at Delhi Schools, triggers privacy concerns – Report's Reuters**

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Guidance issued



- **Draft guidance for handling medical examinations information by private personal health record business operators issued by Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, Japan.**
- **Guidelines to Develop Codes of Conduct under the Protection of Personal Information Act released by South African Data Protection Authority.**
- **Joint Advisory published by Cyber Security authorities of UK, Singapore, Australia, New Zealand and US on cyber actors exploiting vulnerabilities in Accellion File Transfer Appliance.**

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News around the Globe



- **Presence of spy pixels in email bodies, a new privacy concern – Source ZDNet**



- **Abu Dhabi Global Market joins the Global Privacy Assembly's International Enforcement Cooperation Working Group.**



- **Microsoft CEO - Satya Nadela, endorses a global regulation on safety and privacy of data – Report's Live Mint**

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