



Data Protection, Privacy and Security

Personal information is an increasingly valuable – and increasingly risky – business asset. As businesses struggle to keep up with the critical, fast-changing data protection laws and face an increasing risk of serious data breaches, DLA Piper is uniquely positioned to help guide clients.

With data protection lawyers around the globe, DLA Piper provides highly sophisticated data management, data security and privacy law advice wherever our clients do business. Our global presence combined with our depth of experience in each region gives clients the important advantage of local knowledge and cultural awareness, combined with consistent, practical advice.

Our team members are very involved in their local compliance culture and maintain close contacts with local regulators in Asia Pacific, Europe and the US. The group has played a major role at the forefront of the development of privacy, data security breach and data security laws around the world. Our data protection team has successfully worked together in recent years to assist more than 100 multinational organizations in the design and implementation of global privacy and security programs including carrying out audit and risk assessments, developing global policies, implementing effective international data transfer strategies, negotiating cloud and other complex international data transfer agreements, and defending dozens of regulator and plaintiff's class action bar enforcement actions.

Core areas include:

- Audits and data mapping
- Compliance programs and policies
- Data subject access and opposition rights
- Data security, data loss prevention and data breaches
- Online and mobile tracking and consumer protection regulation
- E-discovery and investigations management
- Global data transfer management (transfer agreements, BCRs, etc.)
- Incident Response Planning and Execution
- Lobbying and government liaison
- Supervisory authority relations (notifications, authorizations, DPO appointments)
- Whistle-blowing hotlines, employee monitoring and suspect persons screening

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- We provide cutting edge global advice to a leading global mobile chip manufacturer on notice, consent, data transfer, access correction and data retention requirements applicable to rolling out a suite of mobile apps that use device identifier data, location data and offer geo-fencing capabilities. In addition, we have advised the company on Chinese requirements related to storage of data in China, on application of the US COPPA children's privacy rule to the company's technologies and on the US multi-stakeholder negotiations on mobile app short-form privacy notices.
- We designed and advised on the implementation and rollout of a whistleblowing hotline for a leading pharmaceutical company across the European Union. The outcome of this project was a whistleblowing hotline compliant in 29 European countries, with as little modification as possible on a country-by-country basis. The multi-year process involved liaising with counsel in the relevant countries, producing documentation for employees, drafting key agreements between group entities and service providers, and creating internal operational guidance documentation for use in investigations.
- We are the appointed exclusive data protection advisor to the world's largest fashion retailer. The appointment began with a 51-country multi-year compliance audit of all its subsidiaries operating under its 8 global retail brands. This exercise was unique because, in addition to document reviews and interviews, we conducted extensive on-site audits of all operational functions within the organization, such as sales, marketing, online sales, finance and vendor management. The review covered Milan, Paris, Moscow, Shanghai, Beijing, Hong Kong and Macau.
- We advise a large communications company on privacy compliance issues related to information practice and digital advertising on its cable, internet and telecommunications service and with regard to the company's cyber-security program. We are providing compliance and strategic advice on new proposed data use cases, revisions to their privacy policy and consumer opt-out mechanisms. We are assisting the company before self-regulatory organizations and in responding to congressional and regulator inquiries. We are also providing strategic advice to one of their companies regarding its cyber-security and mobile privacy initiatives and advising the company on data security strategies as well as representing a business unit in an FTC mobile app security investigation.
- We represent a global pharmaceutical company with the rollout of a follow-the-sun customer service response model for product inquiries. The project includes the following activities related to privacy compliance in Latin America, Asia-Pac and Europe: analysis of privacy notice and consent requirements, review of security requirements in a number of Latin American countries, and the drafting, localization and implementation of a global intra-group data transfer agreement for compliance purposes, in order to support the follow-the-sun customer service model.
- Representing a coalition of 20 major communications, Internet, media and retail companies we have helped to draft all of the U.S. state privacy, security and e-commerce legislation that has become law over the past eight years.

INSIGHTS

Publications

Singapore: Imminent Changes to the Personal Data Protection Act 2012 (PDPA)

16 October 2020

On 5 October 2020, the Singapore Personal Data Protection (Amendment) Bill (Bill) was tabled in Parliament for the first reading. It is expected that the Bill will be passed before the end of the year if not sooner.

Israel Group News October 2020

7 October 2020

ISRAEL GROUP NEWS

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Coronavirus Resource Center: Our global repository of insights and events

30 September 2020

A central repository for our reports and commentary on the legal and regulatory concerns arising from the pandemic.

Philadelphia grows privacy capabilities with a new arrival

30 September 2020

Ronald Plesco, an internationally known information security and privacy lawyer, has joined our Philadelphia office.

A new EECG coming into play: Key points for electronic communications service providers

15 September 2020

Entities providing an electronic communication service, such as email or video streamed over the Internet, may need to register as an ECS provider in relevant EU nations.

Blockchain and Digital Assets News and Trends

21 August 2020

[BLOCKCHAIN AND DIGITAL ASSETS NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

California appellate court affirms judgment for Coinbase in lawsuit over Bitcoin Gold – plus latest legal, regulatory and case law developments.

Amendment of Japan's Act on the Protection of Personal Information

4 August 2020

On 5 June 2020, the Japanese Diet approved a bill to partially amend the Act on the Protection of Personal Information (the APPI). The amendment is intended to respond to the increased need to balance the protection and utilization of personal information with the risks arising from domestic and cross-border data transfers....

***Schrems II*: Now what? New FAQs from EU data protection supervisors provide guidance on data transfers**

28 July 2020

Organizations relying on Privacy Shield for transfers to the US of personal data subject to GDPR must immediately implement an alternative mechanism or cease transfers.

DLA Piper global data transfer methodology

28 July 2020

Standardised model for assessing appropriate safeguards on the transfers of personal data from the EEA/UK.

EU's highest court invalidates the EU-US Privacy Shield; European Standard Contractual Clauses remain valid, but subject to conditions

16 July 2020

The CJEU declared invalid the EU-US Privacy Shield framework for the transfer of personal data from the EU to the US.

Israel Group News July 2020

8 July 2020

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A go-to firm for defending patent cases

30 June 2020

Recognition from *Law360*

Atlanta expands privacy capabilities

30 June 2020

Lael Bellamy's arrival bolsters our data protection, privacy and security capabilities throughout the firm.

Intellectual property rights are a renewed focus as the world looks beyond a global viral outbreak

30 June 2020

A few key IP-related considerations for companies, whether they are seeking to expand into new markets or looking to preserve their place in an existing market.

Northern California bolsters telecom and regulatory practice

30 June 2020

Regulatory and telecom attorney Kristin Jacobson has joined our Northern California office in Sacramento.

Washington, DC grows technology capabilities with two new arrivals

30 June 2020

Marius Domokos and Justin Ilhwan Park have joined our Washington, DC practice.

New Section 301 investigations into digital services taxes involving multiple countries

29 June 2020

The US Trade Representative will investigate whether these DSTs discriminate against or place an unreasonable burden upon or restrict US commerce.

Blockchain and Digital Assets News and Trends June 2020

18 June 2020

[BLOCKCHAIN AND DIGITAL ASSETS NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

World Economic Forum announces Presidio Principles as a foundation of blockchain ecosystem design – plus latest legal, regulatory and case law developments.

Business protection: An Interactive guide

18 June 2020

Global companies are at risk of their data and confidential information being leaked to competitors, especially when key employees leave. Protecting the integrity of new formulations and trade secrets is crucial, particularly for life sciences companies, to holding a competitive advantage and building success.

World Economic Forum announces Presidio Principles as a foundation of blockchain ecosystem design

18 June 2020

WEF's foundational values for a decentralized future.

Navigating China Episode 13: (More) Important Developments in China's Privacy and Cyber Laws

10 June 2020

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

China's privacy and cyber authorities have been busy in the last month enacting substantial enhancements and clarifications to data protection compliance obligations; and even more changes are expected before the end of 2020.

New Chinese Civil Code Introduces Greater Protection of Privacy Rights and Personal Information

9 June 2020

China's top legislature, the National People's Congress, recently enacted the PRC Civil Code (the Civil Code), which will come into force on 1 January 2021. This first ever "codified" legislation covers a wide spectrum of rights and issues such as property rights, contracts, matrimonial and family law and tort liability.

Blockchain and Digital Assets News and Trends

20 May 2020

[BLOCKCHAIN AND DIGITAL ASSETS NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

California may limit application of securities laws to tokens, French court says bitcoins are fungible assets – plus latest legal, regulatory and case law developments.

Important changes proposed to Singapore's Personal Data Protection Act

19 May 2020

Organisations should plan ahead for significant changes to Singapore's Personal Data Protection Act, which were proposed in a consultation paper published on 14 May 2020.

Latin America digital services tax update

18 May 2020

For businesses that are non-resident digital service providers in Latin America.

Helping patients during the pandemic

14 May 2020

Some important considerations for biopharma manufacturers.

Facial recognition technology: Supporting a sustainable lockdown exit strategy?

8 May 2020

Technology has played a dominant role during the lockdown and will be a key aspect of ensuring the transition back to normality is successful. This article discusses recent trends, particularly in Ireland, Denmark and China, regarding the adoption of facial recognition technology (FRT) as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Israel Group News May 2020

4 May 2020

[ISRAEL GROUP NEWS](#)

Providing access to valuable business resources in real time.

Post-COVID-19: What to expect in the "next normal"

30 April 2020

Issues that are front of mind, based on an informal survey of some of the largest companies and most influential global business leaders.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

30 April 2020

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

Some key considerations for lenders looking to close loans electronically, either in person or remotely, plus latest regulatory, legal and case law developments around eSignatures and ePayments.

Top of Mind: COVID-19 technology sector insights

28 April 2020

In this time of growing uncertainty, we recognize that many tech businesses are facing significant disruptions and unprecedented challenges arising from the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic.

Turning downtime into privacy time: COVID-19 privacy review in Canada

24 APR 2020

As many businesses adapt to the current environment imposed by COVID-19, now may be the time for your organization to consider evaluating the state of your privacy and data protection management.

Blockchain and Digital Assets News and Trends

23 April 2020

BLOCKCHAIN AND DIGITAL ASSETS NEWS AND TRENDS

The FSB report on global stablecoin frameworks and related cryptoassets reflects views inside G20 governments – plus latest legal, regulatory and case law developments.

Adapting to a new consumer market

15 April 2020

As consumer-facing businesses consider changes in their business models, avoiding legal pitfalls in some key areas is necessary for a successful transition.

Episode 12: More obligations on Chinese mobile app operators to comply with

9 April 2020

NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY

Following the crackdown by Chinese authorities against non-compliant mobile apps in late 2019 (please see Episode 8 in this series), the authorities have issued a series of app compliance guidelines (including the Guide to Self-Assess Illegal Collection and Use of Personal Information by Apps, Methods for Identifying Unlawful Acts of Apps to Collect and Use Personal Information, and Draft Specification for Collecting Personal Information in Mobile Applications). These guidelines imposed detailed obligations and practical actions to urge mobile app operators to conduct self-assessments and to rectify any non-compliant data processing practices. Organisations may have noted that some of these guidelines contain conflicting requirements.

HHS issues notification of enforcement discretion under HIPAA for certain uses and disclosures by business associates

7 April 2020

This announcement permits business associates to share personal health information with public health authorities and agencies in accordance with HIPAA exceptions as part of COVID-19 relief efforts.

Beyond social distancing: What employers need to know to keep their workplaces safe and manage privacy obligations in the face of COVID-19

2 April 2020

Guidance from OSHA, EEO and CDC to help employers seeking to protect the health, safety and privacy of their on-site employees.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

March/April 2020

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

COVID-19 special edition

Important updates for British Columbia Public Bodies amidst COVID-19 (Canada)

1 APR 2020

In light of the current and developing COVID-19 circumstances, the following alerts have been released for British Columbia Public Bodies, subject to the Freedom of Information Legislation. One order permits public bodies to use and disclose personal information using tools and cloud services outside of Canada in certain circumstances. Another extends the time for freedom of information responses. Last, organizations are asked to remain vigilant for cyber crime.

UK Supreme Court upholds appeal in class action against Morrisons

1 April 2020

Today the Supreme Court allowed an appeal in *Morrisons v Various Claimants*, a significant class action decision addressing the extent of an employers' liability for data breaches maliciously committed by an employee.

Coronavirus: Cybersecurity considerations for your newly remote workforce (United States)

31 March 2020

Cyber risk management involves balancing the productivity of a workforce with ensuring confidentiality, integrity and availability of the company's own systems and data, as well as that of their supply chain.

Are you ready for CCPA class action litigation?

30 March 2020

Many businesses may not have fully contemplated the major data breach class action litigation risk created by the California Consumer Privacy Act.

Episode 11: Important clarifications and changes to China's data privacy standards

27 March 2020

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

Important updates to China's de facto data privacy regulations will come into force on 1 October 2020. The amendments to the Personal Information Security Specification (PIS Specification) comprise important clarifications rather than substantial changes to the existing regulations.

Blockchain and Digital Assets News and Trends

25 March 2020

[BLOCKCHAIN AND DIGITAL ASSETS NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

The age of viral outbreaks – key contract considerations in a post-COVID-19 world, plus latest legal, regulatory and case law developments around blockchain and digital transformation.

Coronavirus: Cyber hygiene practices

25 March 2020

While the world is responding to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), and individuals are increasingly focused on personal hygiene and social distancing, augmenting cyber hygiene efforts at home and at work are increasing in importance too.

Episode 10: Stricter data localisation and security rules for financial and insurance data in China

06 Mar 2020

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

The People's Bank of China has released new guidelines on the collection and processing of personal financial information (PFI Guidelines), which provide much-needed clarity on how personal financial information in China should be processed, secured, and transferred. While the PFI Guidelines do not impose an outright ban on personal financial information leaving China, mandatory compliance steps (including consent and impact assessments) must be taken.

Europe initiates regulations on artificial intelligence; industry presented with opportunity to provide inputs

5 March 2020

[AI OUTLOOK](#)

The White Paper on AI initiates a process that could potentially establish the world's first far-reaching regulatory framework for AI.

PropTech in the United States – where we're heading

2 March 2020

[PROPTech INSIGHTS](#)

The legal implications of operating smart buildings.

Important changes proposed to Hong Kong's data protection law

27 February 2020

Any organisation processing Hong Kong personal data must plan ahead to anticipate significant new compliance obligations requirements. These are proposed in a recent consultation paper to amend Hong Kong's Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (PDPO), and would – if passed – constitute the first changes to the PDPO since 2012.

Opportunities arising from Asia's data protection frameworks (AsiaPac)

14 February 2020

The media controversy surrounding China's coronavirus COVID-19 detection app, the "close contact detector," has highlighted a common misapprehension about how data protection law is universally applied around the world.

Italy's new Digital Services Tax is now in force

11 February 2020

Not all digital services will be taxed – only those entailing a high degree of users' involvement in value generation.

Israel Group News February 2020

10 February 2020

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Foreign ITAR cloud storage now permitted

4 February 2020

This may provide ITAR-registered companies some flexibility with the virtual storage and transmission of their technical data, but using non-US based cloud storage is still not without risk.

OECD statement of Digital Tax Initiative highlights progress, sets timeline for consensus – key points on Pillar One and Pillar Two

3 February 2020

The development of a new taxing right is a major initiative, and the OECD continues to work at a brisk pace.

Argentina suspends Promotional Regime of the Knowledge-based Economy

28 January 2020

The regime aims to promote digital, information and communication technologies and the highly skilled human capital that creates and advances those technologies.

EU MDCG issues new guidance on Cybersecurity for medical devices

27 January 2020

On 7 January 2020, the EU Medical Device Coordination Group published new guidance to help manufacturers fulfil all relevant cybersecurity requirements in Annex I to the new Medical Device Regulations (Regulations 2017/745 on medical devices and 2017/746 on in vitro diagnostic medical devices).

DLA Piper GDPR Data Breach Survey 2020

20 January 2020

According to DLA Piper's latest GDPR Data Breach Survey, data protection regulators have imposed EUR114 million (approximately USD126 million / GBP97 million) in fines under the GDPR regime for a wide range of GDPR infringements, not just for data breaches.

France, Germany and Austria top the rankings for the total value of GDPR fines imposed with just over EUR51 million, EUR24.5 million and EUR18 million respectively. The Netherlands, Germany and the UK topped the table for the number of data breaches notified to regulators with 40,647, 37,636 and 22,181 notifications each.

Episode 9: 2020 - Privacy, Security and Content Regulation to Increase in China

10 January 2020

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

China's authorities have published a much-anticipated brand new directive on internet content regulation and governance, which will come into force on 1 March 2020. This law will require organizations which host websites in China to make fundamental changes to their website governance frameworks.

Commerce imposes export licensing requirement on geospatial imagery software

8 January 2020

Companies that produce, design, test, manufacture, fabricate, or develop a software described in the new controls may now be operating within the category of "critical technologies" as defined in CFIUS regulations.

CCPA Rescue Kit arrives amid new privacy law change

19 December 2019

A series of integrated compliance offerings to help businesses begin the journey of compliance with this important new privacy bill.

Stricter outsourcing rules for Singapore's banking sector

13 December 2019

Banks and credit card providers in Singapore should consider updating their outsourcing arrangements in anticipation of stricter new laws. Singapore's Government has proposed new powers to regulate more closely the outsourcing arrangements of banks and credit card providers regulated by the MAS, and to impose stricter sanctions.

Congressional hearing to focus on facial recognition and national security

12 December 2019

[AI OUTLOOK](#)

Technologies controlled by foreign governments and their implications for privacy and national security are expected to be a major topic.

Corporations need to remain vigilant amidst the rise of cyberattacks and cyberfrauds

2 December 2019

Recent figures show that Hong Kong and China remain the top destinations of fraudulent funds, most of which are the result of cyberfrauds. Read our article which gives helpful tips on how to avoid falling victim to these attacks.

Israel Group News November 2019

18 November 2019

In this issue, IP considerations in augmented reality and virtual reality, plus our global activities, latest publications, coming events and more.

Episode 8: Crackdown on infringing China apps

13 November 2019

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

China's authorities have launched a crackdown against non-compliant mobile apps. The crackdown is taking place during November and December 2019, so businesses operating apps in China must take urgent action or else face sanctions.

Hong Kong's SFC introduces strict conditions on cloud data storage

8 November 2019

All entities licensed by the Hong Kong SFC and storing data in the cloud must urgently review their data storage arrangements in light of a new circular from the SFC on "Use of external electronic data storage". This circular introduces strict new conditions on both cloud users and cloud vendors.

Episode 7: New China encryption law passed

6 November 2019

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

The new PRC Encryption Law will come into force on 1 January 2020. It will bring fundamental changes to the sale, import and use of encryption technologies in China by foreign and domestic organizations.

Episode 6: Further developments in PRC data privacy regulations

1 November 2019

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

An updated draft of China's Amended Personal Information Security Specification (Amended PIS Specification) and proposed new amendments to the privacy specification for mobile apps (App Privacy Specification) were published this week, alongside brand new draft regulations for the banking sector.

The Russian Supreme Court clarifies intellectual property legislation

30 Sep 2019

Clarifications from the Supreme Court have a significant impact on the further development of court practice in Russia.

With great influence comes great responsibility: potential liabilities in the growing influencer marketplace

30 Sep 2019

What responsibility, if any, falls on the influencer for social media product endorsements?

EU's right to be forgotten, but only in Europe?

25 September 2019

[PRIVACY MATTERS](#)

In a landmark decision, the European Court of Justice has sided with Google over a claim by the French supervisory authority regarding the application of the so-called right to be forgotten.

Israel Group News August 2019

7 August 2019

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Changes in electronic communications and digital marketing – revised proposal for the ePrivacy Regulation

1 August 2019

[PRIVACY MATTERS](#)

On 26 July 2019, at the level of the Council, the Finnish government has issued a revised (Council) proposal for the e-Privacy Regulation with some amendments concerning electronic communication content, data & metadata, and further processing of metadata.

FTC announces Cambridge Analytica settlement

25 July 2019

A sign that the FTC may be stepping up its pursuit of individual liability in addition to corporate liability.

FTC unfriends Facebook

25 July 2019

The FTC order imposes new penalties and requirements on Facebook.

The government in your cloud

24 July 2019

As companies shift more data to the cloud, the US government's ability to access that content should not be overlooked.

Episode 5: Apps are being shut down in China - will yours be next?

12 July 2019

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

While apps are incredibly popular in China, in recent months some have been disappearing from app stores in the country because they do not comply with recent apps regulations. Indeed many companies are not even aware of the comprehensive new privacy compliance obligations for apps in China.

Episode 4: Getting data out of China - the challenge of operating your China business offshore

26 June 2019

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

An updated and substantially more onerous draft of China's long awaited position on cross border data transfers has just been published. The Measures on Personal Information Cross Border Transfer Security Assessment (Measures) apply to all "Network Operators" and will require specific action to be taken by all businesses that send personal information out of China.

Who's that bot? California requires clear disclosure starting 7/1/2019

20 June 2019

A California law attempts to tackle the problem of automated online accounts that simulate conversation – and that are used to confuse or deceive.

Episode 3: Yet more regulators join the party in enforcing cybersecurity

4 June 2019

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

Licensed telcos and internet businesses in China face a new wave of investigations by the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT) as they announce a new enforcement campaign aimed at ensuring network security compliance.

Episode 2: New stringent cyber security rules announced in China, what will your business need to do?

29 May 2019

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

Organisations with operations in China must prepare now for new comprehensive cybersecurity rules. The Chinese authorities have announced MLPS "version 2.0", which will come into force on 1 December 2019, and have potential significant impact to businesses' infrastructure and operations in China.

Singapore data security - Recent incidents and compliance steps you

23 May 2019

Organisations handling Singapore personal data should re-evaluate their data security compliance programmes in light of recent regulatory scrutiny and enforcement action.

Episode 1: Cyber enforcement starts

21 May 2019

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

China's cybersecurity regulators are now taking their first steps to verify organisations' (including foreign businesses') compliance with China's cybersecurity laws. As anticipated, the focus is on businesses that have an online presence in China.

Intellectual Property and Technology News (Asia Pacific) May 2019

15 MAY 2019

[INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND TECHNOLOGY NEWS](#)

Intellectual Property and Technology News (Asia Pacific) is our biannual publication designed to report on worldwide development in intellectual property and technology law, offering perspectives, analysis and visionary ideas.

Israel Group News May 2019

9 MAY 2019

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CCPA vs. GDPR: the same, only different

11 APR 2019

Businesses that have undertaken GDPR compliance will have an advantage in addressing CCPA, but those efforts alone won't suffice.

New Year, New Regulations: Cyberspace Administration of China launches new blockchain regulatory framework

4 MAR 2019

You may need to comply with new regulations if you use Blockchain technology to conduct your business in mainland China. The "Regulations for Managing Blockchain Information Service" take effect on 15 February 2019. The new regulations encourage Blockchain industry organisations to enhance self-discipline and establish sound industry standards.

Data privacy law: the top global developments in 2018 and what 2019 may bring

25 FEB 2019

In 2018, the world saw numerous significant privacy law developments, a trend that is continuing in 2019.

Explainability: where AI and liability meet

25 FEB 2019

Makers and users of AI face a new and interesting problem: what is the acceptable tradeoff between explanation and accuracy?

Sharpen your pencils: California AG's Office announces start of its important CCPA pre-rulemaking and schedule for issuing its important CCPA rules

13 FEB 2019

Because the CCPA is littered with drafting errors and confusing definitions, this AG rulemaking is extremely important.

Israel Group News

12 FEB 2019

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In this issue, the rise of the Data Protection Officer, plus news and coming events.

Keeping watch on smartphone app payments in China

7 FEB 2019

Now could be a good time to think about the level of transparency your company may have in connection with smartphone app payments by your employees.

California Consumer Privacy Act: what's new for retailers?

23 JAN 2019

Particular features of the CCPA affect the retail industry in unique ways.

DOJ reverses its 2011 Opinion, concludes Wire Act prohibitions "sweep beyond sports gambling"

18 JAN 2019

An opinion that will have a significant effect on the Internet gaming and lottery industries.

12th Annual Women in IP Law Seminar on patents and big data

21 DEC 2018

DLA Piper's Intellectual Property and Technology group hosted its twelfth annual Women in IP Law CLE Luncheon at the Four Seasons Silicon Valley in November.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

20 DEC 2018

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, digitally transforming your business – the year's big legal and regulatory developments and breaking news.

Top of mind: Litigation

10 DEC 2018

Our coverage of big compliance, enforcement and litigation issues that businesses are thinking about this quarter.

The European Data Protection Board issues long-awaited guidelines on the territorial scope of the GDPR

30 NOV 2018

Among other provisions, the Guidelines concern GDPR's application to entities in the EU even when they process personal data of persons outside the EU.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

30 NOV 2018

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, a fintech Q&A with the team, plus the latest developments from the legislatures, the regulators and the courts

Spanish government to introduce new digital services tax

1 NOV 2018

The proposed DST will apply only when the user's digital devices are located in Spain.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

26 OCT 2018

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, obtaining remote epayment authorizations from customers – are you in compliance? Plus the latest legislative and regulatory news.

US companies: EU data regulation means new oversight

2 DEC 2015

Many US companies are about to experience new regulatory oversight.

EU: new obligations for digital services providers and operators of essential services

28 JUN 2016

In line with the EU's broader Cyber Security Strategy, the NIS Directive is a significant step towards a more secure cross-border cyberspace with a high shared level of network and information system security.

Plan now to use off-band communications during an incident response: key points

27 OCT 2015

A robust IR plan should include communications techniques that operate outside regular company communication methods.

Information security obligations for Australian businesses under the Privacy Act: A reminder from the OAIC

14 MAY 2013

At the launch of this year's Privacy Awareness Week on 29 April 2013, the OAIC released its new Guide to Information Security: 'Reasonable steps to protect personal information' ("**Guide**"). The Guide aims to assist Australian businesses and those carrying on business in Australia to interpret the continuing requirement under the Privacy Act (both under the current and the amended law) to "take reasonable steps" to protect the personal information they hold.

Law à la Mode

1 MAY 2012

[LAW À LA MODE](#)

UK: The real risk of cyber attack

1 AUG 2011

Events

Previous

Schrems II CJEU Judgment: Implications on Data Transfers

17 July 2020

Webinar

TechLaw

5 March 2020

TechLaw Event Series

Sydney

TechLaw

3 March 2020

TechLaw Event Series

Melbourne

The ABCs for DPOs - 2.0

21 January 2020
Tel Aviv-Yafo

TechLaw Event - "M&A for the New Digital Economy"

7 MAR 2019
TechLaw Event Series
Amsterdam

TechLaw Event - Online platforms - beyond playing innocence?

17 JAN 2019
TechLaw Event Series
Amsterdam

TechLaw London 2018

5 DEC 2018
TechLaw Event Series
London

TechLaw Event - Virtual Competition

22 NOV 2018
TechLaw Event Series
Amsterdam

Middle East Tech Summit 2018: The Digital Imperative

5 NOV 2018
TechLaw Event Series
Dubai

NEWS

DLA Piper advises Heidelberger Druckmaschinen on the sale of MIS software provider CERM

6 August 2020

DLA Piper has advised Heidelberger Druckmaschinen AG (Heidelberg) on the sale of CERM, a global provider of Management Information System (MIS) software for the printing industry, in a Management Buyout (MBO).

DLA Piper advises Singtel Innov8 on its investment in Chinese data service provider DataHunter

28 May 2020

DLA Piper has advised Singtel Innov8 the venture capital arm of Singtel Group focusing on investments in technology solutions, on its successful investment, through a B-Series fundraising, in Beijing-based data service provider DataHunter.

China and Hong Kong partners recognised in IP Stars 2020

14 May 2020

We are delighted to announce that IPT partners Edward Chatterton (William (Skip) Fisher, (Shanghai), and Horace Lam, (Beijing), have been recognised in IP Stars 2020 by Managing Intellectual Property.

DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2020

30 April 2020

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 67 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of April 1, 2020 in the United States and May 1, 2020 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions have been made across many of the firm's practice areas in 35 different offices throughout 13 countries.

Across the firm's practices globally, Corporate saw the largest intake of new partners with 19 promotions, followed by Litigation and Regulatory with 15. Intellectual Property and Technology and Finance and Projects had ten and eight promotions respectively, while there were six in Real Estate. Tax and Employment both had four, and there was one in Restructuring.

DLA Piper lawyers named Acritas Stars

10 March 2020

Acritas has named over 200 DLA Piper lawyers as 2020 Acritas Stars. Now in its fourth year, Acritas Stars highlights the stand-out lawyers in private practice as nominated by clients around the world. More than 3,000 senior in-house counsel feed into the nomination process to give a comprehensive view of highly recommended lawyers across the globe.

DLA Piper advises AirTrunk on new hyperscale data centre in Hong Kong

23 September 2019

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised hyperscale data centre specialist AirTrunk on the development of its state-of-the-art USD150+ million data centre in Hong Kong.

DLA Piper to advise ITW Global Leaders' Forum on blockchain-based telecoms platform

2 July 2019

DLA Piper has been appointed to advise the ITW (International Telecoms Week) Global Leaders' Forum (GLF) on the launch of a special purpose vehicle that will develop a live, blockchain-based platform.

DLA Piper announces launch of Artificial Intelligence practice

14 MAY 2019

DLA Piper announced today the launch of its Artificial Intelligence practice, which will focus on assisting companies as they

navigate the legal landscape of emerging and disruptive technologies, while helping them understand the legal and compliance risks arising from the creation and deployment of AI systems.

DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2019

1 APR 2019

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 77 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of April 1, 2019 in the United States and May 1, 2019 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions were made across many of the firm's practice areas in 43 different offices throughout 20 countries.

DLA Piper hosts leading business and diplomacy conference

14 MAR 2019

DLA Piper's London office has hosted the Annual Conference of the International Diplomatic and Business Exchange (IBDE).

DLA Piper announces launch of Blockchain and Digital Assets practice

26 FEB 2019

DLA Piper announced today the launch of its Blockchain and Digital Assets practice, which will offer strategic advice on a global basis to address the needs of companies implementing blockchain technology solutions and creating and deploying digital assets.

DLA Piper joins Governing Council for Hedera Hashgraph

20 FEB 2019

DLA Piper has joined the initial group of Governing Council members for Hedera Hashgraph, a next-generation public ledger designed to have highly diversified governance and the most distributed consensus at scale. The announcement was made at Hedera Hashgraph's first annual summit in Seoul, Korea.

As part of the council, DLA Piper will help oversee changes to the software run by millions of Hedera distributed nodes over time. The governing council has been established to ensure stability and guaranteed continued decentralization to the Hedera Hashgraph distributed public ledger.

DLA Piper bolsters Data Protection practice

4 FEB 2019

DLA Piper in Germany has hired Intellectual Property & Technology of counsel Prof Dr Jürgen Taeger, who joined the firm's Cologne office with effect from 1 February 2019.

DLA Piper promotes first Australians to international management roles and announces new Australian country MP

6 Dec 2018

As part of an international executive revamp DLA Piper Australia co-managing partners Melinda Upton and Jim Holding will be taking on International management responsibilities in a significant endorsement of Australia's performance within the firm.

Technology sector poised for big data wave in finance and sales departments – DLA Piper European Tech Index

12 DEC 2018

Harnessing big data is becoming standard practice for IT and marketing teams in technology, but DLA Piper's 2018 Tech Index reveals that a revolution may now be underway in finance and sales departments as well. Responses from 350 tech sector senior executives in Europe indicate that compared to 2016, organizations are increasingly identifying new opportunities in these additional departments, indicating a move towards widespread adoption of big data in the tech sector.

Consulting

DLA Piper's Data Protection, Privacy and Security practice enhances its legal skills with the addition of highly experienced certified risk, privacy, security and cybersecurity professionals, among them Rena Mears, former head of one of the largest Big 4 privacy and data protection advisory practices, who provide consultancy services to our global clients. Advising on practical implementation of legal advice; structuring privacy programs and related control environments; benchmarking; best practice identification; and cybersecurity risk mitigation, the consultants work with our highly ranked privacy and breach response lawyers as a single, integrated privacy team to provide a joint and comprehensive legal and consulting approach to data risk, privacy, cyber and security projects. This approach is a significant differentiator from other large firms, and it has been recognized by notable rankings entities, including BTI Consulting Group, which recently placed the DLA Piper Cybersecurity practice among the Top 7 cybersecurity law firm practices in the United States.

DLA Piper consultants have years of practical experience and maintain a wide variety of relevant certifications. Their ranks include Certified Information Security Professionals (CISSPs); Certified Information Privacy Professionals (CIPPs); and Certified Information Systems Auditors (CISAs). Our experienced consultants are on the front lines of assessing, developing and implementing innovative data risk, privacy and security solutions for some of the world's largest and most geographically diverse companies. We are thought leaders in the field and frequently appear on panels and contribute to industry publications. Our consultants are actively involved in the International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP), International Information System Security Certification Consortium (ISC2), and other professional certifying bodies that carry continuing education requirements.

COMPREHENSIVE LEGAL AND CONSULTING SERVICES

DLA Piper's Data Protection, Privacy and Security team covers the full cybersecurity service delivery lifecycle

- compliance and operational risk assessments and identification
- program, policy and operational design
- compliance solution testing and implementation and
- training program development.

We bring sector-specific, globally focused data privacy and protection experience in such areas as compliance and control assessment, cross-border data transfer enablement, incident response and vendor management.

TESTED METHODOLOGIES

We have developed an agile and repeatable approach to deliver data privacy and security transformation projects. This methodology has been used for more than a decade and has continued to evolve and respond to changes in the market such as agile development methodologies and the rise of cloud based architecture models, among others.

Our consultants advise clients on, among other things:

- data mapping exercises, gap assessment and remediation
- the practical adoption of our firm's legal advice
- benchmarking and industry best practice identification
- incident preparedness
- incident response planning
- the structuring of privacy and compliance programs
- cybersecurity risk mitigation and
- training program development.

Some of our solutions include:

- Project management tools and techniques
- Regulatory and legislative monitoring tools
- Matter management technology solutions
- Privacy assessment and scoring tools
- Customized training programs
- Client communications and continuing education programs

THE RARE BENEFIT OF PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT UNDER PRIVILEGE

DLA Piper has developed a program delivery approach that focuses on putting in place critical protections from moment one. This approach includes protections companies often overlook in the development and implementation of their programs – not least, building in measures to preserve attorney-client privilege (such as for third-party forensics). We offer a single, integrated delivery team of lawyers and consultants that maximizes attorney-client privilege while providing both legal and operational insights.