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### Understanding data protection liabilities for C-suite executives and senior leaders

As a C-suite executive or senior business leader, you will understand the significance of data protection governance, the consequences of data breaches, and the importance of cultivating customer trust through careful data handling. But are you aware of the full extent of your data protection liabilities?

In our latest blog, we explore how data protection management responsibilities vary across the different leadership roles and the associated liabilities. We also provide key tips for reducing risks and ensuring compliance with data protection legislation.

Read our blog here

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### **EUROPEAN UNION**

#### CJEU validates commercial interests under GDPR

In a long-awaited ruling on 4 October 2024, the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) confirmed that Legitimate Interests can include purely commercial interests under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). This significant decision is expected to provide more flexibility for businesses in processing personal data for commercial purposes.

The CJEU emphasised that Controllers must also:

- Ascertain that the processing is necessary
- Conduct a balancing test
- Implement appropriate transparency measures
- Ensure data subjects can object to data processing at any time

Read the CJEU ruling here

## CJEU limits social network's data use for targeted ads

In 2021, privacy activist Maximilliam Schrems sued Meta Platforms for unlawfully processing his personal data for targeted advertising. The Court of Justice of the

European Union (CJEU) has now ruled that Meta violated General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) principles, specifically those related to data minimisation and purpose limitation.

This decision emphasises that social networking sites cannot use all the personal data it collects for targeted advertising without specific limitations and user consent.

Read the CJEU ruling here

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HBSC and WHO publish report on adolescent digital

# The Health Behaviour in School-aged Children (HBSC) and World Health Organization (WHO) Regional Office for Europe have published a comprehensive report into adolescent digital behaviours. *A focus on adolescent social media use and gaming in Europe, Central Asia, and Canada* highlights several significant trends, including a rise in problematic social media use, prevalence of daily gaming, and socio-economic disparities.

The report provides key recommendations for policymakers, educators, and healthcare providers:

- Invest in school environments that promote health and embed digital literacy
- Enhance mental health services
- Promote open dialogue about digital well-being
- Train educators and healthcare providers in digital literacy
- · Enforce platform accountability

Read the report here



**UNITED KINGDOM** 

ICO launches data protection audit framework

On 7 October 2024, the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) launched a new data protection audit framework. It provides a structured approach to help organisations assess their compliance with data protection laws, regardless of industry or size.

The framework consists of 9 toolkits, covering key aspects of data protection, including accountability, data sharing, and records management. Each toolkit contains a downloadable tracker, allowing organisations to conduct their own compliance assessments and track actions to be taken in areas needing improvement.

Access the audit framework here



### **NORTH AMERICA**

# Texas Attorney General sues TikTok for sharing minors' personal data

Texas Attorney General, Ken Paxton, has sued TikTok for violating the Securing Children Online through Parental Empowerment (SCOPE) Act. Paxton alleged the social media giant shares the personal information of minors without consent and has failed to provide parents with tools to manage and control the privacy settings on their child's account.

It is not the first time platform has faced legal action over its data protection practices. In August 2024, the US Justice Department sued TikTok and its parent company ByteDance for violating the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA).

Read Paxton's press release here

### Sensitive data definition to be amended in CCPA

On 28 September 2024, the Governor of California approved Senate Bill 1223, which expands the definition of sensitive personal information under the California Consume

expands the definition of sensitive personal information under the California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA) to include consumers' neural data.

This amendment reflects the growing recognition of the importance of safeguarding emerging types of data generated by advanced technologies, such as brain-computer

interfaces and other neurotechnology.

The updated CCPA will come into effect on 1 January 2025.

Read Bill 1223 here

### **INTERNATIONAL**

### China's TC260 release 9 new national standards

On 9 October 2024, China's National Information Security Standardisation Technical Committee (TC260) unveiled 9 national standards focused on network security technology. These standards aim to bolster the security and integrity of network systems, providing stronger defences against cyber threats and enhancing the overall cybersecurity infrastructure within the country.

The release reflects a global trend towards stricter cybersecurity and data protection governance. Businesses operating in China or handling Chinese citizens' data may need to reassess their compliance frameworks to align with the new standards.

Read the 9 standards here



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- Data Protection Officers (United Kingdom)
- Data Privacy Officers (Canada)
- Data Protection Support Officers (United Kingdom)
- Copywriter (United Kingdom)

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