

No	PRIORITY	DG	SUBJECT	TITLE & Ref. NO	ESTIMATED DATE OF ADOPTION	POLITICAL MOTIVATIONS AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION
1	EDPS will issue an opinion	AGRI	Common Agricultural Policy	Proposal for a Council and Parliament Regulation amending Council Regulation (EC) N° 1290/2005 on the financing of the common agricultural policy - Transparency 2011/AGRI/018	1st quarter 2012	The aim is to continue to ensure transparency by taking into account the judgement of the Court of Justice issued on 9/11/2011. Member States were obliged to publish all subsidies to beneficiaries of payments under the CAP and rural development policy. These obligations were challenged by two German farmers (ECJ case C-92/09 Volker und Markus Schecke GbR and C-93/09 Hartmut Eifert). The Court in its judgment of 9/11/2010 partially invalidates the legal base in relation to the publication obligations (Art 42, point 8 and Art 44bis of Reg 1290/2005). It also invalidates in its entirety Commission Reg 259/2008 on the application of Council Reg 1290/2005 as regards the publication of information on the beneficiaries of funds from the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD).
2	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	CLIMA	Greenhouse gas emissions	Commission Regulation establishing a Union Registry for the trading period commencing on 1 January 2013, and subsequent trading periods, of the Union emissions trading scheme pursuant to Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Decision 280/2004/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and amending Regulations (EC) No 2216/2004 and (EU) No 920/2010	4th quarter 2011	The regulation should be adopted pursuant to Article 19 of Directive 2003/87/EC. <i>The EDPS replied to the public consultation and is considering further reaction.</i>
3	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	EMPL	Employment	Reforming the European Employment Services EURES and its legal basis	2012	The proposal will aim to: 1) improve access to employment opportunities and facilitate job creation by establishing EURES as matching placement and recruitment tool for labour mobility across Europe; 2) expand EURES to support the new "Your First EURES Job" scheme; 3) reflect the ECJ jurisprudence on placement services which will need to be opened up to private employment services while widening the range of EURES partners. This may involve revision of Regulation 1612/1968.
4	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	EMPL	Posting of workers	Legislative initiative for Posting of Workers. 2011/EMPL/001	20 December 2011	The general objective is to improve the implementation and application in practice of Directive 96/71/EC on Posting of Workers. As specific objectives one should ensure the effective respect of the posted workers rights, the clarification of the obligations of national authorities and the clarification of the role of trade unions and social partners in general in the framework of the Directive.
5	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	ENER	Energy	Spectrum for more efficient energy production and distribution	2012	Smart energy grids and smart metering systems are potentially an area where an EU wide harmonisation of spectrum use could bring essential benefits to European consumers. The initiative considers an EU wide spectrum harmonisation for smart energy grids and smart metering on the basis of studies to deepen the knowledge in this field to determine what measures should be taken to satisfy the demands, and whether dedicated spectrum would be necessary or if sharing spectrum would be sufficient.
6	EDPS will issue an opinion	ENTR	Radio and telecommunication equipment	Directive amending the Directive 1999/5/EC of the European Parliament and Council of 9 March 1999 on radio equipment and telecommunications terminal equipment and the mutual recognition of their conformity 2009/ENTR/021	1st quarter 2012	The revision objectives will be to: - replace many impractical and ineffective administrative provisions which do not allow to retrieve the manufacturers or importers of a number of mass market radio equipment by more modern electronic means. - create an environment more conducive to innovative technologies and mitigate risks when interference phenomena are not known yet, and in particular when there is no harmonised standard. - that too many players ignore the rules and hence more focus on enforcement and better tools for national administration.
7	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	ENTR	Global navigation satellite system	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council for a new Regulation on governance and financing of the European GNSS programmes	1st quarter 2012	The main policy objectives are: - in terms of governance, to determine the roles and responsibilities of all players around the two European satellite navigation infrastructures EGNOS and Galileo, - in terms of legal certainty, to entrust all players with the necessary power to fulfil their assigned missions, - in terms of financing, to ensure a long-term commitment of the EU to support the exploitation of the two systems, - and in terms of transparency and accountability, to set up the rules ensuring transparency and accountability in the implementation of the European GNSS programmes beyond 2014.
8	EDPS will follow developments	FPI/EEAS	Restrictive measures	Restrictive measures against natural or legal persons and groups or non-State entities under Article 215 TFEU	Ongoing	In July and December 2009, the EDPS issued two opinions on legislative instruments concerning certain restrictive measures - notably freezing of assets and economic resources - on natural and legal persons who are considered to be involved in terrorist activities or human rights abuses. He also issued formal comments in July 2010 and March 2011 on the same subject. The EDPS regularly monitors developments in the area of restrictive measures and may issue formal comments or opinions where appropriate.

9	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	Border checks	Entry/Exit System (EES)	June 2012	To define the purpose, the functionalities and responsibilities of the EES, and to establish the conditions and procedures for the register, storage and consultation of entry/exit data of third country nationals crossing the EU external borders.
10	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	Border checks	Registered Traveller Programme (RTP)	June 2012	To define the purpose, the functionalities and responsibilities of the RTP and a Registered Traveller System (RTS), to give to the Commission and the Agency for the management of large-scale IT systems the mandate to set up and maintain the RTP and the RTS and to establish the procedures and conditions for examining a RTP application and the exchange of data between Member States on Registered Travellers.
11	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	Border checks	Amendment to the Schengen Borders Code	June 2012	To amend the Schengen Borders Code to be aligned with the Registered Traveller Programme Regulation and the Entry/Exit System Regulation.
12	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	Anti-terrorism	Framework of administrative measures such as the freezing of funds of persons suspected of terrorist activities inside the EU (art.75)	November 2012	To establish a framework for administrative measures with regard to capital movements and payments, such as for the freezing of funds, financial assets or economic gains belonging to, or owned or held by, natural or legal persons, groups and non-State entities related to terrorist activities inside the EU. This framework would serve as a basis on which the Council could take decisions, upon proposal by the Commission.
13	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	HOME	Cyber-crime	Fighting European cyber-crime	March 2012	This initiative aims to increase EU capacity to fight against cybercrime. It will update Union citizens, Member States and the European Parliament on the prerequisites needed to ensure an effective response to cybercrime.
14	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	Anti-terrorism	Legal and technical framework for a European Terrorist Finance Tracking System (TFTS)	July 2012	The initiative will provide for a novel European approach to combat terrorism and its financing through centralised collection and analysis of financial messaging data, and to create the possibility to provide more targeted data to US authorities under the EU-US TFTP Agreement.
15	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	Data retention	Revising the EU framework for data retention	July 2012	This review is a result of the evaluation of the Data Retention Directive. It will ensure that appropriate authorities have swift access to the telecommunications information which is strictly necessary for combating crime; will provide appropriate limitations on data retention and safeguards against unnecessary infringements of right to privacy and the protection of personal data, will remove unnecessary obstacles to the smooth functioning of the internal market and ensure consistent reimbursement of the telecommunications industry across the EU of the costs of applying data retention.
16	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	Europol	Establishing the European Police Office – EUROPOL	November 2012	Article 88 of the TFEU provides for a new legal basis for Europol.
17	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	PNR Agreements with US, Canada and Australia	Proposals for a Council Decision on [respectively] the signature and the conclusion of Agreement[s] between the EU and [respectively] the US and Canada on the transfer and use of PNR data to prevent and combat terrorism and other serious transnational crime 2011/HOME/028 and 2011/HOME/029 (US), 2010/HOME/038 and 2010/HOME/027 (Canada)	US: adopted 23 November 2011 Canada: 1st quarter 2012	Propose to Council that it, respectively, signs and concludes an Agreements for the transfer of PNR data from the EU to, respectively, the United States and Canada.
18	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	Confiscation and recovery of criminal assets	Directive on the confiscation and recovery of criminal assets in the European Union. 2010/HOME/351	1st quarter 2012	EU Action Plans on organised crime constantly highlighted the need to attack the proceeds of crime through an enhanced use of confiscation and asset recovery procedures. The 2008 Commission Communication "Proceeds of organised crime - Ensuring that crime does not pay" notes that organised crime activities are profit-driven. At present the number of freezing procedures and confiscation cases in the EU seems to be relatively limited and the amounts recovered from organised crime seem modest if compared to the estimated revenues of organised criminal groups. An increased and more effective use of confiscation procedures seems desirable.
19	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	EUROSUR	Legislative proposal defining the objective, scope and the technical and operational framework of the European Border Surveillance System (EUROSUR) 2011/HOME/008	7 December 2011	The legislative proposal shall define the objectives and scope of EUROSUR and provide a legal basis for the competences and tasks of the national coordination centres as well as for the cooperation and information exchange to be carried out among them as well as with FRONTEX.

20	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	Schengen Information System	Regulation on migration from the Schengen Information System (SIS1+) to the second generation Schengen Information System (SIS II) (recast) 2011/HOME/198	February 2012	This proposal aims at bringing into line the existing regulations on the migration from SIS1+ into SIS II with the Migration Plan of 25/02/2011 taking into account certain technical adjustments required by Migration Plan based upon the unanimous request of Member States. This proposal also provides for a single legal base for the two migration instruments governing the migration from SIS 1+ to SIS II under Article 74 TFEU and it merges them into one legal act.
21	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	Smart borders	Communication on Smart Borders (Entry Exit System and Registered Travellers Programme) 2011/HOME/256	Adopted 25 October 2011 [COM(2011)680]	Communication on Smart Borders (Entry Exit System and Registered Travellers Programme). <i>The EDPS was informally consulted on this initiative by the Commission. Formal comments or opinion may be issued at a later stage.</i>
22	EDPS will issue an opinion	INFSO	Digital agenda	Pan European framework for electronic identification, authentication and signature 2012/INFSO/002	2nd quarter 2012	The proposal will present legislation to boost trust and facilitate electronic transactions notably by ensuring the mutual recognition of electronic identification and authentication across the EU, and of Electronic Signatures.
23	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	INFSO	Digital agenda	Digital agenda - Next steps Communication on "Digital agenda for Europe"- Mid term review 2012/INFSO/010	4th quarter 2012	Following the second Digital Agenda Assembly and the 2012 Scoreboard, the mid-term review should look at strategic priorities for the remaining two years of the Digital Agenda for Europe lifecycle.
24	EDPS will issue an opinion	INFSO	Cloud computing	Commission Public consultation on cloud computing services in Europe Communication -Towards on EU cloud computing strategy 2012/INFSO/004	4th quarter 2012	The European Commission is seeking views from citizens, businesses, public administrations and other interested parties on how to fully benefit from 'cloud computing'. Cloud computing enables companies, public administrations and individuals, using networks such as the internet, to access their data and software on computers located somewhere else. It can help businesses – especially SMEs – to drastically reduce information technology costs, help governments supply services at a lower cost and save energy by making more efficient use of hardware. <i>The EDPS replied to the public consultation and is considering further</i>
25	EDPS will issue an opinion	INFSO	Data breach notifications	Commission Decision - Technical implementing measures for personal data breach notifications in the electronic communications sector 2011/INFSO/014	4th quarter 2012	In accordance with Article 4 of the amended e-Privacy Directive (2002/58/EC) the Commission may adopt technical implementing measures on the circumstances, format and procedures for the information and notification obligations relating to personal data breaches, following broad consultations and a comitology procedure.
26	EDPS will issue an opinion	INFSO	Reuse of public sector information	Review of the Directive on reuse of public sector information 2003/98/EC 2011/INFSO/006.	Adopted 12 December 2011 [COM(2011)877]	Review of the Directive on reuse of public sector information 2003/98/EC that will address 1) the scope of the instrument, 2) limitations on charges for the re-use of public sector information 3) clarifying the principle that a material that is generally accessible is also re-usable for non-commercial and commercial purposes.
27	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	INFSO	eHealth Action Plan	eHealth Action Plan - make eHealth real - for patients, professionals and the economy- 2011/INFSO/008.	4th quarter 2012	Roadmap 2011-15 to lay out targets operational steps towards the wide roll out of interoperable electronic health records, telemedicine services

28	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	INFISO	Reuse of public sector information	Review of the Commission Decision of 7 April 2006 on the re-use of Commission information (2006/291/EC) 2011/INFISO/034	Adopted 12 December 2011 [C(2011)9190]	The review is linked to the review of the PSI directive and to the data.eu initiative. The review aims at: (1) raising awareness about existence of re-use obligations among the Commission services, (2) drawing an inventory of available datasets, (3) drawing a list of best re-use practices and guidelines and (4) promoting re-use of Commission data.
29	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	INFISO	ICT in RTD	Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) in the EU's 7th Framework Programme for research	Ongoing	The 7th Framework Programme results in research projects, affecting data protection issues. Involvement of EDPS in accordance with EDPS Policy Paper on "EDPS and Research and Technological Development" (28 April 2008). On a case by case basis the EDPS may facilitate or advise on research projects if data protection issues are at stake.
30	EDPS will follow developments	INFISO	Open data	Open data - An engine for innovation, growth and transparent governance 2011/INFISO/037	Adopted 12 December 2011 [COM(2011)882]	The Communication sets out the Commission's vision and strategy on open data. It highlights the importance of open data for the European economy and society and defines the legislative and deployment measures that will be taken. It will be accompanied by a Commission proposal for a revised PSI-Directive and by a revised Commission Decision on the re-use of Commission information.
31	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	INFISO	Digital agenda	Communication on European Strategy for Internet Security 2012/INFISO/003	3rd quarter 2012	The initiative will aim to: describe the main risks and challenges as well as the economic and geopolitical opportunities; compare with "preparedness" or political attention given to the topic in other third countries; describe the major issues at stake or problems to be addressed; assess the ongoing or planned actions where and when they exist, but also highlight the areas where more EU action.
32	EDPS will follow developments	INFISO	Children and internet	European Strategy for Making the internet a better place for children 2011/INFISO/035	1st quarter 2012	The overall objective of the strategy is to provide an EU-wide strategic framework that will allow coping with the amplitude, the global and changing nature of the use of new technologies by young people in Europe. It will aim at making children more responsible and informed users of ICT while at the same time providing them with the best protection means and fighting against illegal practices. The overall objective would enable young generations to acquire deeper insights on global challenges and events and develop essential skills contributing to Europe 2020 objectives of 'smart and inclusive growth'. This objective is in line with the overall objective of the Digital Agenda for Europe as a "digital European".
33	EDPS will follow developments	INFISO	e-communications	Communication on the results of the public consultation on the role of the universal service in electronic communications 2009/INFISO/015	Adopted 23/11/2011 [COM(2011)795]	The Communication will report on the results of the public consultation that will be launched after the adoption of the Communication on the second periodic Review of the Scope of Universal Service in accordance with Article 15 of Directive 2002/22/EC.
34	EDPS will issue an opinion	INFISO/ENT R/MOVE	eCall	Commission Recommendation on eCall 2010/INFISO+/013	Adopted 8 September 2011 [C(2011)6269]	Recommendation to the Member States targeting Mobile Network Operators on the transmission of eCall, including the Minimum Set of Data (MSD) from the in-vehicle systems to the PSAPs. The guidelines would be based on the single European emergency number enhanced with location capabilities (E112) and the set of standards related to transmission of the eCall, including the implementation of the eCall discriminator (eCall flag) in the mobile networks. <i>The EDPS was informally consulted on this initiative by the Commission. Formal comments or opinion may be issued at a later stage.</i>
35	EDPS will follow developments	JUST	Social inclusion	Advancing Roma integration – First report of the European Commission	April 2012	The first annual report will assess the national Roma integration strategies that Member States must submit to the Commission by 31.12.2011.
36	EDPS will follow developments	JUST	Victims of crime	Compensation of crime victims	November 2012	The Commission's proposal for the revision of Directive 2004/80 will ensure that victims of crime receive fair and appropriate compensation in all Member States, thereby helping to promote mutual trust between Member States. The proposal will be based on a comprehensive study on all aspects of compensation to identify existing obstacles, their origin, and possible solutions.
37	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	JUST	eJustice	eJustice	November 2012	This initiative will strengthen the e-Justice project as a tool to promote growth and legal certainty in the internal market. The e-justice project aims to underpin justice policy by using information and communications technology to improve and streamline information on justice in the EU, facilitate access to justice throughout all MS and facilitate judicial cooperation and procedures.

38	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	JUST	Criminal law	Special Safeguards in criminal procedures for Suspected or Accused Persons who are vulnerable	May 2012	This initiative aims at ensuring that special attention is shown in criminal procedures throughout the EU to suspected or accused persons who cannot understand or follow the content or the meaning of the proceedings, owing, for example, to their age, mental or physical condition.
39	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	JUST	Eurojust	Reforming Eurojust's structure	June 2012	This initiative aims at developing and reinforcing Eurojust's functioning and determining arrangements for involving the European Parliament and national Parliaments in the evaluation of Eurojust's activities.
40	EDPS will issue an opinion	JUST	Protection of personal data in the framework of the e-justice portal	Commission Decision on the protection of personal data - derived from interconnected national databases operated by the member states and other bodies -in the European e-justice portal 2011/JUST/044	1st quarter 2012	The Decision lays down the functions and responsibilities of the European Commission in relation to data protection requirements whilst processing in the European e-Justice Portal of transient data from the interconnected national databases operated by the Member States and other bodies. It is addressed solely to the European Commission.
41	EDPS will issue an opinion	JUST	Data Protection	A new comprehensive legal framework for the protection of personal data in the EU 2010/JUST/279	January 2012	This initiative aims at modernising the existing system for the protection of personal data in all areas of the Union's activities in order to maintain the effective application of the data protection principles, and to improve current data protection legislation, in the light of the challenges of globalisation, new technologies, and requirements of public authorities.
42	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	JUST	Protection of personal data in the framework police and judicial cooperation	Report on the implementation of Council Framework Decision 2008/977/JHA of 27 November 2008 on the protection of personal data processed in the framework of police and judicial cooperation in criminal matters 2011/JUST/064	January 2012	Establishment of a report based on Member States' information on the transposition and on the supervisory authorities referred to in the Decision
43	EDPS will follow developments	JUST	Mutual recognition of documents	Mutual recognition of civil documents: (1) Mutual recognition of the effects of certain civil status documents (2) Dispensing with the formalities for the legalisation of documents between Member States	4th quarter 2012	The proposal should cover mutual recognition of effects of certain civil status documents (e.g. relating to birth, affiliation, adoption, name, death). Follow-up to Green Paper on the free circulation of documents, civil status documents, authentic acts and the simplification of legislation. The proposal should cover the dispensing with the formalities of legalisation of documents between Member States.
44	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	JUST	Psychoactive substances	Information exchange, risk-assessment and control of new psychoactive substances	September 2012	The objective of the proposal to amend Council Decision 2005/387/JHA of 10 May 2005 is to improve the assessment process and some of the procedural steps, taking into account the experiences gathered and limitations encountered with this legislative instrument in the past three years.
45	EDPS will follow developments	JUST	Collective redress	An EU framework for collective redress	December 2012	This initiative would follow up on the full range of previous Commission work on collective redress at the EU level
46	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	JUST/OLAF	Financial interests of the EU	Protection of the financial interest of the European Union, including by criminal law (PFI)	1st quarter 2012	This initiative is the legislative follow-up on the Communication on the protection of financial interests of the European Union, including by substantive criminal law, under art 325, § 4 TFEU.
47	EDPS will follow developments	MARKT	Protection of investors	Amendment of the UCITS Directive as regards rules on UCITS depository functions, on manager remuneration policy, and on administrative sanctions.	September 2012	The aim is to amend the UCITS Directive (Undertakings in collective investments in transferable securities – 'UCITS V' 2009/65/EC) to (i) create a regulatory regime with robust investor protection, (ii) further strengthen the EU internal market efficiency in the investment fund sector and (iii) ensure that the UCITS legislative framework does not impair financial stability on the market. More concretely, on the operational level, it will aim at providing appropriate solutions for UCITS depositories as well as for UCITS remuneration policy.
48	EDPS will follow developments	MARKT	Pension funds	Single market and pension funds: Institutions for Occupational Retirement Provision (IORP)	4th quarter 2012	The aim of the review of the Directive concerning Institutions for Occupational Retirement Provision (IORP) is to maintain a level playing field with Solvency II and promote more cross-border activity in this field. This will help address the challenges of demographic ageing and public debt.

49	EDPS will issue an opinion	MARKT	Intellectual property rights	Enforcement of intellectual fproperty rights	March 2012	The main objective would be to adapt the Directive (2004/48/EC) to today's challenges in order to make sure that intellectual property rights can be protected effectively and uniformly in the EU, in particular in a digital environment. Several provisions of the Directive should be clarified in order to achieve consistent interpretation and enforcement.
50	EDPS will follow developments	MARKT	Financial services	Securities law directive	3rd quarter 2012	The main objective of the measure is to reduce the divergence between national substantive laws on book-entry securities and therefore to make a substantive contribution to the simplification of financial markets operations and to their legal safety.
51	EDPS will issue an opinion	MARKT	Notice and takedown procedures	Initiative on notice and takedown procedures	3rd quarter 2012	The main policy objectives are: contribute to a good functioning of Digital Single Market, contribute to combating illegality on the internet, ensure the transparency, effectiveness, proportionality and compliance with fundamental rights of notice and takedown procedures, ensure a balanced and workable approach towards NTD procedures, with focus on fundamental rights and the impact for innovation, growth.
52	EDPS will follow developments	MARKT	Insurance	Insurance Guarantee Schemes	on hold	The aim is to ensure that IGS exist in all Member States and that they comply with a minimum set of design features.
53	EDPS will issue an opinion	MARKT	Money laundering	Third Anti Money Laundering Directive	October 2012	Revision of international standards is underway and scheduled for completion by February 2012. COM's own review has also begun and a report is planned in early 2012. It will be necessary to rapidly implement international standards once adopted into EU legislation.
54	EDPS will follow developments	MARKT	Registration of Motor vehicles	Registration of motor vehicles previously registered in another Member State	Adopted 22 November 11	The main policy objective is to improve the functioning of the internal market through the elimination of barriers to the free movement of goods, services and workers, caused by the different administrative formalities and requirements for the registration of motor vehicles previously registered in another Member State.
55	EDPS will issue an opinion	MARKT	Credit rating agencies	Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council on amending the Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 on credit rating agencies 2011/MARKT/010	Adopted 15 November 2011	Improvements to transparency, monitoring, methodology and process of sovereign debt ratings Reducing over-reliance on ratings Enhancing competition in the rating business Introducing a liability regime for CRAs New measures to reduce conflicts of interest due to the "issuer-pays" model and preventing rating shopping
56	EDPS will issue an opinion	MARKT	MiFID Directive	Review of the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (MiFID) 2010/MARKT/044	Adopted 19 October 2011	Enhance investor confidence, as well as to meet the overall aim of a level playing-field delivering market efficiency and transparency. <i>The EDPS was informally consulted on this initiative by the Commission. Formal comments or opinion may be issued at a later stage.</i>
57	EDPS will issue an opinion	MARKT	Market abuse	Recast of the operation of Directive 2003/6/EC of the EP and of the Council of 28 January 2003 on insider dealing and market manipulation (market abuse) and of 3 implementing directives 2009/MARKT/043	Adopted 19 October 2011	In line with the Commission's better regulation approach the Commission services have started a review of the Market Abuse Directive regime in the EU. The outcome of this review will be made public. In the report we are focusing on areas where improvements could be achieved in terms of: i) rationalising /reducing administrative burden associated with compliance of private operators with the MAD [for example, concerning the disclosure duties on company executives, and the duty to draw up and maintain insider lists, ii) facilitating and strengthening supervision exercised at the level of Member States. RECAST. <i>The EDPS was informally consulted on this initiative by the Commission. Formal comments or opinion may be issued at a later stage.</i>
58	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	MARKT	Professional qualifications	Directive amending Directive 2005/36/EC - Modernisation of the Professional Qualifications Directive 2011/MARKT/049	19 December 2011	The objective of the modernisation of the Directive is to simplify and modernize the existing systems for the recognition of qualifications in order to facilitate the mobility of professionals. It should also introduce the idea of a professional card.
59	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	MARKT	Intellectual property rights	Collective rights management: Music rights – music online*	March 2012	The proposed instrument will have a double focus: first, a general level of governance and transparency to apply to all collecting societies; and second, specific rules aimed at licensing of online music in order to foster the digital single market and provide more cross-border services to customers across the EU. (1st quarter 2012)
60	EDPS will issue an opinion	MARKT	Banking	Directive on the access to the activity of credit institutions and the prudential supervision of credit institutions and investment firms	Adopted 20 July 2011 [COM(2011) 453]	Render the regulatory framework even more responsive to market conditions thus: • Enhancing financial stability; • Safeguarding the interest of creditors and taxpayers; • Enhancing level playing field globally, while ensuring international competitiveness of the EU Banking sector; • Further promoting the integration of the Internal Market, enhancing level playing field in the EU.

61	EDPS will follow developments	MARKT	Online Gambling	On-line gambling in the Internal Market	September 2012	The Communication is a follow-up to the Green paper on on-line gambling, providing a substantial evaluation of the responses to the consultation, and subsequently identifying 1) key challenges for the co-existence of national regulatory models within the Internal Market and 2) initiatives to be taken at national and EU level.
62	EDPS will follow developments	MARKT	Central securities depositories	Regulation on Central Securities Depositories 2011/MARKT/012	January/ February 2012	Lay down uniform requirement for the performance of services by central securities depositories as well as for their access and interoperability.
63	EDPS will issue an opinion	MOVE	Driving licences	Commission Regulation laying down technical requirements with regard to driving licences which include a storage medium (microchip)	4th quarter 2012	The purpose of the Regulation is to lay down the technical requirements applicable to driving licences including a microchip. <i>The EDPS was informally consulted on this initiative by the Commission. Formal comments or opinion may be issued at a later stage.</i>
64	EDPS will follow the developments	MOVE	Occurrence reporting in civil aviation	Directive 2003/42 of the European Parliament and of the Council on occurrence reporting in civil aviation 2011/MOVE/028	December 2011	Recast of Directive 2003/42/EC The Directive aims at preventing aviation accidents by collecting and analysing information on civil aviation occurrences ('accident precursors'). The objective of the revision will be to more efficiently use occurrence data at the EU level, in particular by better integration of occurrence data in a central database and improving and simplifying the flow of quality data between the aviation authorities for accident prevention purposes
65	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	MOVE	Transport Security Policy	Communication on a Comprehensive Transport Security Policy 2011/MOVE/027	December 2011	This Communication will assess the current situation, including current and future threats, and propose a strategic approach for the next five years for all transport modes. The objective is to have a properly functioning, transparent transport system which is secure and well-protected. Terrorism is multimodal and often international. A harmonised general approach, covering all transport modes, is the basis for sectoral security effectiveness.
66	EDPS will follow developments	MOVE	Strategic Transport Technology Plan	Sustainable Transport Package: Strategic Transport Technology Plan 2011/MOVE/005	December 2011	On the model of the Strategic Energy technology Plan, the STTP will provide a strategic framework for research and technological development and deployment, based on policy needs and on a vision for an integrated efficient and environmentally friendly transport system at the horizon 2050. The STTP will focus European research and technology around the transport policy agenda, and facilitate coordination of European and national public and private efforts and funding. It will encompass technology road maps for leading edge technologies necessary for a competitive and clean European transport system.
67	EDPS will follow developments	OLAF	Anti-Fraud Strategy	Commission Communication on the Anti-Fraud Strategy 2011/OLAF/002	Adopted 22 June 2011 [COM/2011/0376 final]	Adopt a communication on a comprehensive strategy against fraud, providing a framework for better protection of the EU financial interests across different policy sectors. <i>Initiative currently under consideration by EDPS for possible reaction.</i>
68	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	OLAF	Customs and agriculture	Mutual assistance between the administrative authorities of the Member States and cooperation between the latter and the Commission to ensure the correct application of the law on customs and agricultural matters	2nd quarter 2012	Simplify and clarify the legislation, improving accessibility and achieving budget savings, as Regulation 515/97 and Council Decision 2009/917/JHA of 30 November 2009 on the use of information technology for customs purposes partially deal with the same issues.
69	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	SANCO	Health	Package on innovation in health: (1) Promotion of innovation in medical devices for the benefit of patients, consumers and healthcare professionals 2012/SANCO/016 (2) Medical devices 2008/SANCO/081 (3) In vitro diagnostic medical devices 2011/SANCO/036	2nd quarter 2012	The Communication explains the need for further improving the regulatory environment to foster innovation in medical devices in the light of new developments (such as ageing, ICT etc.). It would also respond to relevant recent Council conclusions. The aim of the proposal is to ensure that the regulatory framework continues to promote innovation in the sector while guaranteeing patient safety. The regulatory framework will be adapted to technical and scientific progress, include clearer and simpler rules and provide for the necessary instruments for management at EU level. This has become a necessity due to the increasing demand in the market for drug-device combination products. The objectives are to enhance the level of health protection for all European patients and users, reinforce Europe's position in the forefront of innovation in the field and to achieve a smoother functioning of the internal market and international trade.
70	EDPS will issue an opinion	SANCO	ADR and ODR	Legislative proposal on Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) in the EU - package: Directive on ADR and Regulation on ODR. They will be accompanied by a common Communication 2011/SANCO/019	29 November 2011	Promoting ADR will improve consumer confidence in shopping across border and the functioning of the Internal Market. Promoting online out-of-court dispute resolution for cross-border ecommerce transactions will contribute to the development of a Digital Single Market. <i>The EDPS was informally consulted on this initiative by the Commission. Formal comments or opinion may be issued at a later stage.</i>

71	EDPS will issue an opinion	SANCO	EU-US consumer protection cooperation agreement ("CPC- US")	Commission Decision for the conclusion of an agreement with the US on enforcement of consumer protection laws 2009/SANCO/065	on hold (no submission foreseeable in the short term)	The purpose is to provide a legal framework in the field of consumers for international enforcement activities with the US in order to increase EU consumers protection internationally.
72	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	SANCO	Early warning and response system	Commission Recommendation on data protection guidelines for the Early Warning and Response System	1st quarter 2012	The objective of the initiative is to develop a set of data protection guidelines for the EWRS, which are complementary to the rules introduced in Commission Decision 2000/57/EC by Commission Decision 2009/547/EC, and which take into account the recommendations made by the EDPS in its prior-checking Opinion. <i>The EDPS was informally consulted on this initiative by the Commission. Formal comments or opinion may be issued at a later stage.</i>
73	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	SANCO	Health security in EU	Proposal for a revision of the Decision on communicable diseases combined with an initiative on prevention and control of other serious cross border health threats at EU level (Health Security in the European Union) 2011/SANCO/021	8 December 2011	The Health Security initiative aims to review and update the existing EU legislation on communicable diseases (Decision 2119/98 and its implementing decisions) and to reinforce the collaboration at EU level on serious cross-border health threats from a global public health perspective ("all- hazards approach" taking account of the existing structures and mechanisms at EU level). <i>Initiative currently under consideration.</i>
74	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	SANCO	Health	Clinical trials to foster clinical research and innovation in the pharmaceutical sector 2011/SANCO/015	3rd quarter 2012	The objective of the proposal for a revision of the directive on clinical trials (2001/20/EC) is to strengthen knowledge and innovation in clinical research. Issues likely to be addressed are: reduction of administrative delays, overcoming divergent decisions throughout the EU and streamlining of reporting procedures.
75	EDPS will follow developments	SANCO	Consumer product safety	Product safety package: (1) General Product Safety 2010/SANCO/031 (2) New horizontal single legislative instrument for market surveillance 2012/SANCO+/019	4th quarter 2012	The revision of the General Product Safety Directive (GPSD, 2011/95/EC) aims to strengthen confidence of consumers and businesses in the internal market of safe products by providing businesses with clearer rules, lower compliance costs, and more generally a genuinely level-playing field for legitimate businesses. It will enable Member States' authorities to better coordinate and prioritize their enforcement actions and provides consumers a more homogeneous internal market of safe goods and better protection of health and safety. The overall objective is to safeguard to a high degree various public interests which may be affected while securing the free movement of goods within the EU. These include ensuring the health and safety of all users of products, protecting the environment and promoting energy efficiency. This requires all necessary mechanisms to be put in place to enable the effective and uniform implementation and enforcement of the EU market surveillance framework.
76	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	TAXUD	Health	Drug precursors	2nd quarter 2012	The Commission Report (COM (2009) 709) highlighted the risk of diversion of medicinal products containing drug precursors. The Council in May 2010 invited the Commission to propose legislative amendments. The initiative will amend regulation (EC) 273/2004
77	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	TAXUD	Health	EU-Russia agreement on Drug precursors	1 half 2012	Proposal for a Council Decision authorising and signing an agreement between the EU and Russia on drug precursors
78	EDPS will issue an opinion	TRADE / HOME / INFOS / MARKET / TAXUD	ACTA	Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement 2009/TRADE+/009	Adopted on 24 June 2011 [COM(2011) 380]	The proposed ACTA aims to improve global standards for the enforcement of IPR to more effectively combat trade in counterfeit and pirated goods. ACTA will focus on 3 areas: 1) increasing international cooperation 2) establishing best practices for enforcement and 3) providing a more effective legal framework to combat counterfeiting and piracy. <i>Initiative currently under consideration by EDPS for possible reaction.</i>