The European Data Protection Supervisor and the Commission for Personal Data Protection of the Republic of Bulgaria invite you

DEBATING ETHICS: DIGNITY AND RESPECT IN DATA DrIVEN LIFE

40th International Conference of Data Protection and Privacy Commissioners

Data protection regulators and authorities are first-hand witnesses of the digital revolution which has taken place at great speed and changed our lives and the world as we know it.

All regions of the world and all areas of our societies are impacted by digitisation from leisure to learning, from healthcare to governance, from finance to farming.

In light of the global nature of this phenomenon, we invite you to join us to reflect on our values in the digital era so that, together, we can reaffirm the values that underpin privacy and data protection.

We look forward to welcoming you to the conference to discuss and exchange ideas on the ethical dimension of our data driven lives to make data protection more effective.

The closed and public sessions of the 2018 International Conference will be held in Brussels and additional privacy events will be hosted in Sofia.

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Like other data protection regulators and authorities, the EDPS' general mission is to:

- **monitor and ensure** that EU institutions and bodies (EU institutions) respect the fundamental rights to the protection of personal data and privacy. The EDPS supervises over 60 EU institutions including the EU's law enforcement agency, Europol;
- **advise** EU institutions on all matters relating to the processing of personal information; The EDPS is consulted by the EU legislator on proposals for legislation and new policy developments that may affect privacy;
- **monitor** new technology that may affect the protection of personal information;
- **intervene** before the Court of Justice of the European Union to provide expert advice on interpreting data protection law;
- **cooperate** with national supervisory authorities and other supervisory bodies to improve consistency in protecting personal information.

Being the only data protection authority in the country, the CPDP has a wide range of investigative, corrective and advisory powers and performs a number of different tasks, such as investigations, corrective measures, awareness-raising and information campaigns, international cooperation, training, etc. The Commission is a collective body, consisting of a Chair and four Members, elected by the Parliament.

- **The CPDP** is the only Bulgarian public authority with all its services offered online, free of charge and fully integrated with the national e-Government Portal;
- **In 2016 CPDP** was awarded *The public institution with best services offered to citizens* prize by the foundation *Citizens vs. Bureaucracy*, an NGO working for the development of the civil society and reducing the administrative burden on private businesses and citizens.
- **The CPDP** pursues a proactive policy of supporting adherence to ethical standards by all relevant stakeholders. For instance, every year the CPDP nominates and awards prizes to journalists actively involved in awareness-raising on the topic of personal data protection as well as children with innovative and creative art ideas promoting privacy in the digital world.