

CEF 2023, joint supervisory action launched.

Prague, March 14, 2023 – The European Data Protection Board (EDPB) launched the coordinated supervisory action Coordinated Enforcement 2023 (CEF 23). This year, 26 supervisory authorities (DPAs) of the European Personal Data Protection Board will participate in the event, including the office of the European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS). The joint supervisory action is aimed at examining the role and position of personal data protection officers in individual countries of the European Economic Area (EEA).

Personal data protection officers make a fundamental contribution to complying with legal regulations on personal data protection and to supporting the effective protection of the rights of data subjects. They thus play an important role as intermediaries between data protection authorities, individuals, business organizations and public administrations.

Participating DPAs will carry out CEF 2023 investigations at national level to assess the adequacy of data controllers in their organizations (as required by Articles 37 to 39 GDPR), as well as whether they have sufficient resources to fulfill their tasks.

The results of the joint initiative will be analyzed in a coordinated manner and the supervisory authorities for the protection of personal data will decide on any further national supervision and enforcement measures. In addition, the results will be aggregated at EDPB level, providing deeper insight into the topic, and enabling targeted follow-up at EU level. Once the measures have been completed, the European Board (EDPB) will publish an overall report on the outcome of the analysis.

This action by the EDPB is the second initiative under the <u>Coordinated</u> <u>Enforcement Framework (CEF)</u>. The aim is to streamline law enforcement and cooperation between individual data protection authorities.

As part of the CEF 2023 joint event, the Czech Office for the Protection of Personal Data will focus on the status of trustees working in public administration.

In 2022, CEF's coordinated law enforcement focus was on the <u>use of cloud</u> services by the public sector. The report on the findings of this first investigation by the supervisory authorities was published on 17 January 2023.

Milan Řepka, spokesman

[•] Personal Data Protection Office is an independent central administrative office of the Czech Republic for the protection of personal data. It is part of the executive power and proceeds by means of administrative law, primarily by issuing decisions (administrative acts). ÚOOÚ is also a supervisory authority, in the sense of the Control Act No. 255/2012 Coll. (control order). The Office for the Protection of Personal Data was established based on Act No. 101/2000 Coll., on the protection of personal data. On April 24, 2019, this legal basis was transformed into Act No. 110/2019 Coll., on the processing of personal data.