

Final

28th Plenary meeting

19 May 2020

Remote meeting

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1. Adoption of the minutes and of the agenda

1.1 Minutes of the 27th EDPB meeting – adoption

The minutes were adopted with the proposed change in section 2.1.

1.2 Draft agenda of the 28^{th} EDPB meeting – adoption

The draft agenda was revised in order to include items 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4 under AOB.

The revised agenda was adopted.

2. Current Focus of the EDPB Members

2.1 Letter from Amazon to the EDPB Chair on COVID-19 project — discussion and adoption (Rapporteur:

The rapporteur presented the letter. Some changes were agreed to shorten and simplify the response. Additionally, some linguistic changes were agreed by the members of the EDPB.

The letter was adopted with the proposed changes.

2.2 Processing of personal data for the purpose of reopening the EU borders in the COVID-19 context – discussion (Rapporteur: ■ SA)

The rapporteur explained that the Icelandic government plans to ease the restrictions on international arrivals in June. Despite the exact details have not been decided yet, it is expected that travellers, when entering the country, will be given the choice to either stay on a two-weeks quarantine or undergo a COVID19 test combined with the download the official contact-tracing app. The SA explained its views that a common European approach to this situation would be the most feasible way forward.

In this context, the members of the EDPB decided that the

The discussion also revolved around the interoperability of the contact-tracing apps. The members of the EDPB decided to entrust the TECH ESG with the preparation of a general analysis accompanied by a statement, regarding the impact of interoperability of contact tracing apps on data protection.

3. FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ADOPTION — Expert Subgroups and Secretariat

3.1 Opinion on the draft Standard Contractual Clauses submitted by the SI SA (Art. 28.8 GDPR) – discussion and adoption (Rapporteur:

The rapporteur presented the draft Opinion and explained that the members of the KEYP ESG agreed on the content and that there were no remaining points for discussion. The members of the EDPB adopted unanimously the Opinion.

3.2 EDPB website – publicly available summaries of Art. 60 decision – discussion and adoption (Rapporteur:

The rapporteur explained the proposal to create a public register relating to the final decisions adopted by the SAs following the one stop shop procedure and communicated to the EDPB via the IMI system.

The members of the EDPB agreed to publish a register on the website containing the maximum information possible taking into consideration the national limitations. The register will contain the final decisions adopted and the summaries, in principle not anonymised (names of the controllers and processors), except if necessary in accordance with the national law. For this purpose, the EDPB Secretariat will collect the information on the limitations provided in national legislation for the publication of the final decisions. The EDPB Secretariat underlined the necessity of support from the members of the EDPB for the validation of summaries.

3.3 Update of the TECH ESG work programme − discussion and adoption (Rapporteur: SA)

The coordinator of the TECH ESG presented the modifications of topics to be handled as part of the work programme. The members of the EDPB adopted unanimously the update of the work programme of the TECH ESG.

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3.4 Interaction of EDPB with U.S. PCAOB on draft administrative arrangements for transfer of data with EU auditor oversight bodies − discussion (Rapporteur: SA)

Several members of the EDPB stressed the importance of having a harmonised approach in this regard.

3.5 Guidelines on processing of data for the purpose of scientific research – request for mandate (Rapporteur:

The rapporteur explained the need to develop guidelines on this regard. The aim is to focus the guidelines on the most pressing matters for scientific research. The mandate provides a list of the topics that will be addressed in the guidelines.

The members of the EDPB discussed an additional point proposed by one of the members and the need to keep consistency with the work of other ESG.

The and the also volunteer as co-rapporteurs for the guidelines.

The members of the EDPB unanimously adopted the mandate with the additional point proposed.

4. AOB

4.1 Remote education in Cyprus - state of play (CY SA)

The CY SA provided an overview of the situation of the remote education in Cyprus and the use of IT tools in this context, with particular focus on the use of cameras. The CY SA carried out on the spot inspections in several public schools and found out that there was a lack of training of the teachers and non-harmonised instructions with regard to the use of cameras. The CY SA issued a decision in which it emphasized the need to train the teachers and the pupils on the IT tools that should be used and to prepare harmonised instructions for the teachers with regard to the use of the IT tools in this context and, in particular, the use of cameras. Moreover, the CY SA considered that, in the absence of other legal basis, the use of cameras should only be allowed if the teachers provided their consent.

The members of the EDPB shared their experiences in this regard and will exchange further information.

NEW 4.2 Open letter to the EU COM from an NGO concerning the protection of whistleblowers in Slovenia

The SI SA explained, that many of the issues raised in the letter are not related to data protection and privacy and, therefore, the SI SA is not in a position to comment. The SI SA informed the members of the EDPB that the SA is functioning normally and they have been in contact with the government with regard to several measures proposed during the COVID19 outbreak. The SI SA offered to reply to any questions that the SAs may have in this regard.

NEW 4.3

NEW 4.4 Interoperability of contact tracing applications in regard to recent statements of the EU COM

This agenda item was not discussed since it was already addressed under point 2.2 of the Agenda.

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Annex: Attendance List

SAs: AT SA, BE SA, BG SA, CY SA, CZ SA, DE SA, DK SA, EDPS, EE SA, EL SA, ES SA, FI SA, FR SA, HR SA, HU SA, IE SA, IS SA, IT SA, LI SA, LT SA, LU SA, LV SA, MT SA, NL SA, NO SA, PL SA, PT SA, RO SA, SE SA, SI SA, SK SA.

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