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# Agenda

- 1. Context & Geopolitics
- 2. The EU Data Strategy
- 3. Future Developments



# Privacy in Context - Processings of Personal Data in a Classic Context and Today's Context and Implications for Accountability, Legislation, Ethics and Trust

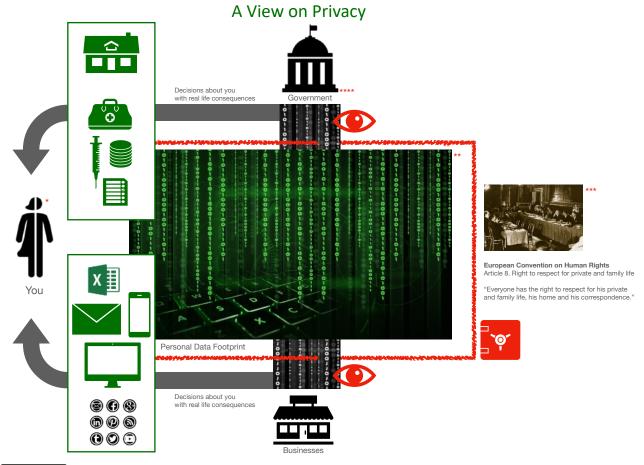
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**Today's Context** 



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Classic Context

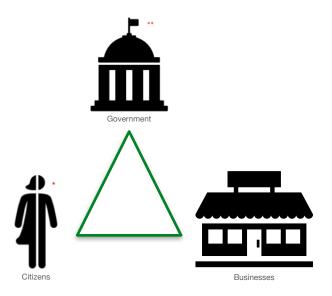




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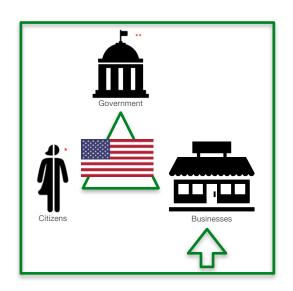
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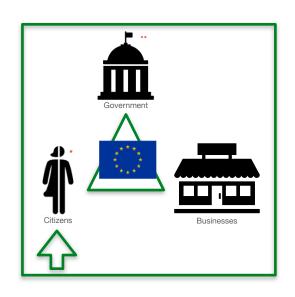
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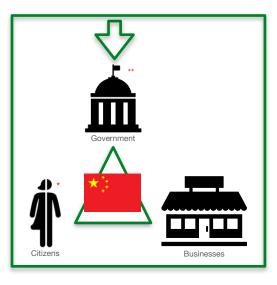




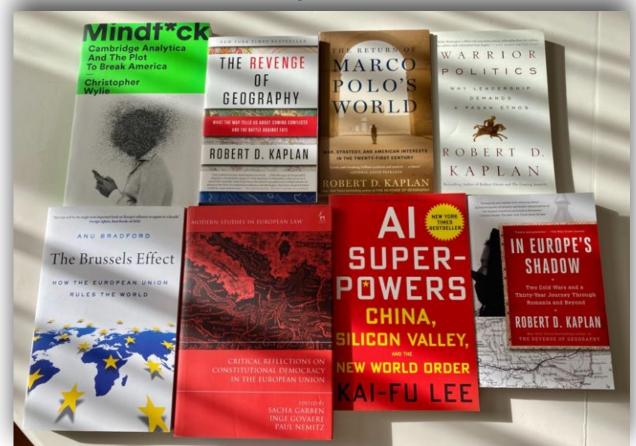
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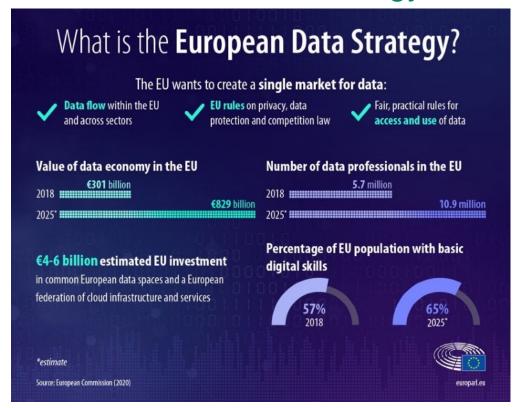




## 1. Context & Geopolitics



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#### Het groeipotentieel van de data-economie

Gegevens vormen de basis van allerlei **nieuwe digitale producten en diensten**. De verbonden voorwerpen (het internet der dingen) die we gebruiken, **genereren alsmaar meer gegevens**.

## Het mondiale datavolume blijft groeien

2018

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Als je dit opslaat op tablets met een capaciteit van 512 GB, krijg je een toren tot aan de maan.

2025



- Genoeg voor vijf keer naar de maan en terug.
- Een toename die gelijk is aan 1260 zulke tablets per seconde.

#### €5-11 biljoen



Mondiale waarde van het internet der dingen en gerelateerde diensten tegen 2030

#### €120 miljard



Jaarlijkse besparingen in de gezondheidssector van de EU

#### €270 miljard



Verwacht extra bbp van de **27 lidstaten** tegen 2028 dankzij nieuwe gegevensregels

#### van 5% naar 10%



Bedrijven die investeren in **datagestuurde innovatie** kennen een 5% tot 10% snellere productiviteitsgroei

#### 10-20%



Besparingen in de sectoren vervoer, gebouwen en industrie dankzij realtime-analyse van data



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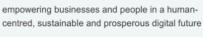




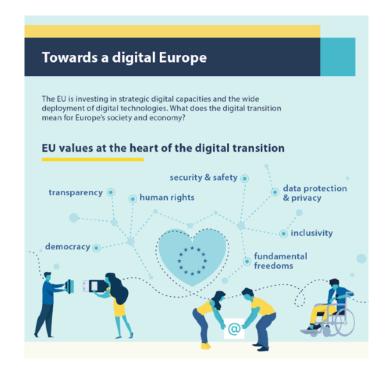
In the Commission's political agenda, Commission President Ursula Von der Leyen said that "digital technologies should enrich the lives of us all and respect European values".











## European Strategy for Data: 4 Key Instruments

Public sector data, private sector data and Data Ensure TRUST in data transactions personal datavoluntarily made available by data Governance Act holders Personal data and private sector data held by Regulate **MARKET POWER** Digital online platforms and originating from the users Market Act based on data both businesses and individuals Unleash the socio-economic potential Implementing Public sector data of high value Act under of data as araw material for Open Data Directive **INNOVATION** in particular SMEs Ensure FAIRNESS in the allocation of data Private sector data, personal data and co-**Data Act** value among the actors of the data economy generated (IoT) data

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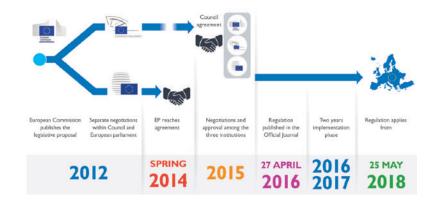
## The EU Data Governance Reform



Name Act / Directive	Why	Status
Digital Markets Act (DMA)  The Digital Services Act package	Aims to open digital market by establishing limits to current digital gatekeepers (aka big tech monopolies).	Published: 15 December 2020
Digital Services Act (DSA)  The Digital Services Act package	Aims to re-shape the internet by altering the power imbalances between big dominant platforms and people using them. It is an update of the eCommerce Directive.	Published: 15 December 2020
Data Governance Act (DGA)	Aims at fostering the availability of data for use by increasing trust in data intermediaries and by strengthening data sharing mechanisms across the EU.	Published: 25 November 2020
Data Act (DA)	Aims to maximise the value of data in the economy by ensuring that a wider range of stakeholders gain control over their data and that more data is available for innovative use, while preserving incentives to invest in data generation.	Published: 23 February 2022
Al Act (AlA)	Aims to ensure that AI systems placed on the EU market are safe and respect existing law on fundamental rights and EU values. To ensure legal certainty to facilitate investment and innovation in AI. To enhance governance and effective enforcement of existing law on fundamental rights and safety requirements applicable to AI systems. To facilitate the development of a single market for lawful, safe and trustworthy AI applications and prevent market fragmentation.	Published: 21 April 2021
Whistleblower Directive	Aims to protect and encourage reporting of breaches of EU law. Whistle-blowers will be able to choose between internal and external reporting. Safeguards against reprisals from employers.	Adopted: 16 April 2019
Database Directive	Aims to legally protect databases in any form.	Adopted: 06 June 2019
Open Data Directive	Aims to govern re-use of public sector documents to ensure fair, proportionate and non-discriminatory conditions for the re-use of such information. Public sector bodies collect, produce, reproduce and disseminate documents to fulfil their public tasks.	Adopted: 20 June 2019
ePrivacy Directive	Aims to increase the protection of people's private life and open up new opportunities for business, by modernisation of the data protection framework for all electronic communications.	Published: 10 January 2017

# 2. EU: The EU Data Strategy: GDPR







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## 2. ePrivacy Directive (aka the Cookie Directive)



#### Stronger privacy rules for electronic communications

The Commission has proposed on 10 January 2017 a Regulation on Privacy and Electronic Communications to update current rules to technical developments and to adapt them to the General Data Protection Regulation that will enter into application in May 2018. The objective is to reinforce trust and security in the Digital Single Market.



proposed rules will also apply to internet-based voice and internet-messaging services.

### Will become the ePrivacy Regulation.

## Relationship between General Data Protection Regulation & proposal for the ePrivacy Regulation

The General Data Protection Regulation protects personal data. The ePrivacy Regulation protects the confidentiality of electronic communications and the device.

# General Data Protection Regulation 1. Covers all personal data independently on the means of transmission. 2. Defines the right to personal data protection. 3. Introduces new rights for citizens and obligations

Starts to apply on 25 May 2018.

for companies.

Proposal for the ePrivacy Regulation

 Covers electronic communications and the integrity of the information on one's device, independently whether it is personal or non-personal data.



Right to the privacy and confidentiality of communications.



Ensures that mobile apps or internet services through which you communicate cannot intercept, record, listen into, or tap in your communications.



 Proposed on 10 January 2017 and currently in the legislative process in the European Parliament and the Council.



The proposal for the ePrivacy Regulation complements General Data Protection Regulation in the electronic communications sector.

When communications include personal data, the general rules of the General Data Protection Regulation apply, unless the ePrivacy Regulation lays down more specific rules.

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## CHARTER OF FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

(2012/C 326/02)

TITLE II
FREEDOMS

Article 6

Right to liberty and security

Everyone has the right to liberty and security of person.

Article 7

Respect for private and family life

Everyone has the right to respect for his or her private and family life, home and communications.

#### Article 8

#### Protection of personal data

- 1. Everyone has the right to the protection of personal data concerning him or her.
- Such data must be processed fairly for specified purposes and on the basis of the consent of the person concerned or some other legitimate basis laid down by law. Everyone has the right of access to data which has been collected concerning him or her, and the right to have it rectified.
- 3. Compliance with these rules shall be subject to control by an independent authority.

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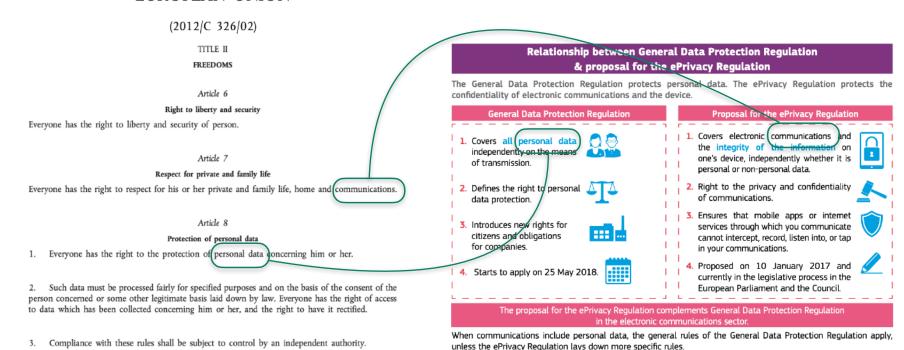
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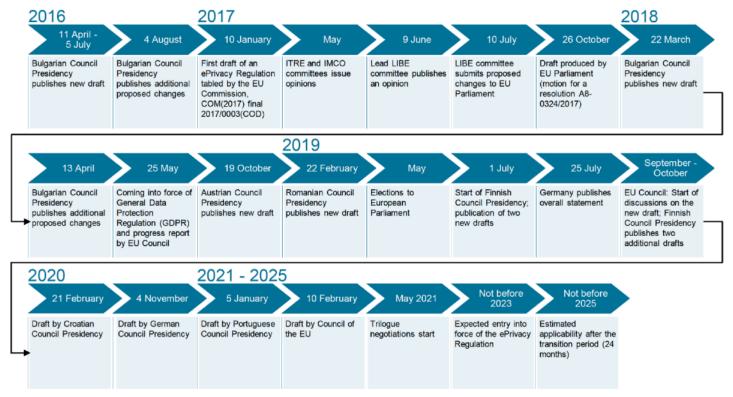
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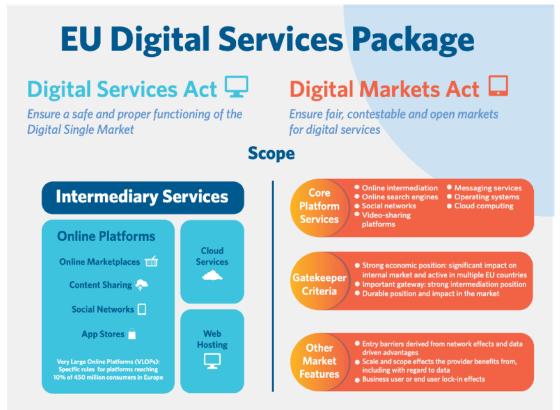
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## 2. ePrivacy Regulation - Timeline

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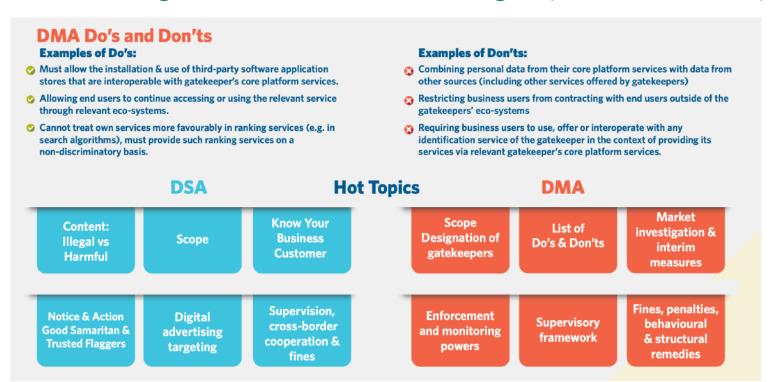
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## **Estimated Timeline**

#### Portuguese Presidency H1 2021

- **Q1** Selection of Parliament rapporteurs
- Q1 Parliament Hearings & public expert panels
- Q2 Presentation
  of Committees' draft
  reports, 1st round of
  amendments
- **Q2** Opinions draft reports
- Q2 Council working groups & possible 1st Presidency (partial) compromises

#### **Slovenian Presidency H2 2021**

- Q3 Compromise amendments in Parliament Committees
- Q3 Further Presidency compromise texts
- **Q4** Vote in responsible Parliament Committees
- Q4 Possible Council General Approach

#### French Presidency H1 2022

- **Q1** Opening of Trilogues
- **Q2-** Final political
- Q3 negotiations and final agreement

#### Czech Presidency H2 2022

Q4 Publication in the Official Journal and entry into force

#### **Entering into force:**

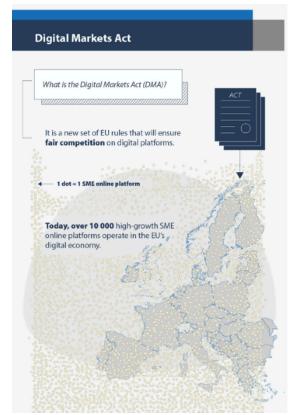
- DSA 20 days following its publication in the OJ
- DMA 6 months following its publication in the OJ

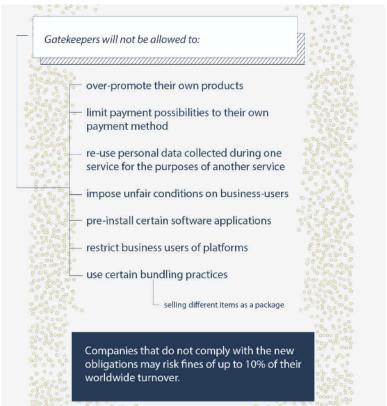
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# 2. Digital Markets Act (DMA)

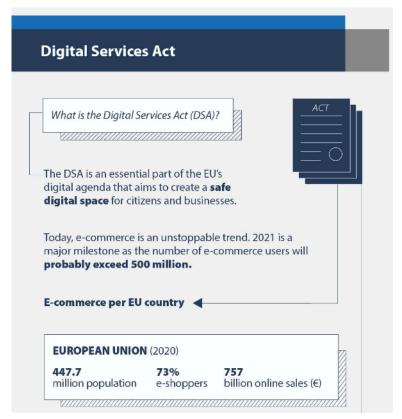






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# 2. Digital Services Act (DSA)





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## 2. Data Governance Act (DGA)



#### The EU will boost the development of trustworthy data-sharing systems:

- Empower Europeans to decide what happens to their data, and what data they would like to share with whom.
- Facilitate data altruism to make it easier and safer for companies and individuals to voluntarily make their data available for the benefit of society.
- Enhance the reuse of public sector data that cannot be made available as open data.
- Create new EU rules on neutrality to allow novel data intermediaries to function as trustworthy organisers of data sharing.
- Set up a European Data Innovation Board to steer data governance and prioritise standards.







£120 billion
of savings per year in the

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# 2. Data Act (DA) - Complements DGA



The Data Act addresses the legal, economic and technical issues that lead to data being under-used. The new rules will make more data available for reuse and are expected to create €270 billion of additional GDP by 2028.

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## 2. Data Act (DA)



#### The growth potential of the data economy

Data is the basis for many **new digital products and services**. The use of connected objects (Internet of Things) increasingly **generates data**.

## Global data volume will grow

2018

33 zettabytes

Stored on 512 GB tablets, it would form a tower that reaches the moon.

2025

175
zettabytes
5x

Enough to make the journey to the moon and back five times.

A growth equivalent to 1260 tablets per second.

#### €5-11 trillion



Internet of things value and services by 2030 globally

#### € 120 billion



Savings in the EU health sector per year

#### 10-20%



Savings in the transport, buildings and industry sectors with real-time analytics of data

#### €270 billion



Expected **EU-27** additional GDP by 2028 thanks to new Data rules

#### 5% to 10%



Companies investing in data-driven innovation exhibit faster productivity growth by 5% to 10%



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## Preparation of the proposal

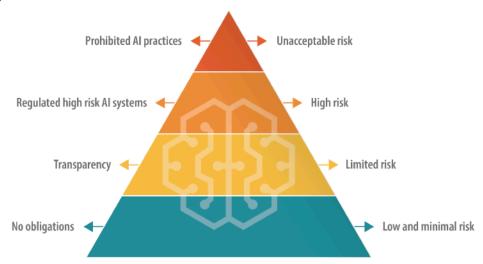
Following the White Paper on Artificial Intelligence<sup>6</sup> adopted in February 2020, the Commission launched a broad <u>public consultation</u> in 2020 and published an <u>Impact Assessment of the regulation on artificial intelligence</u>, a supporting <u>study</u> and a <u>draft proposal</u>, which received <u>feedback</u> from a variety of stakeholders.<sup>7</sup> In its impact assessment, the Commission <u>identifies</u> **six main problems** raised by the development and use of AI systems, due to their specific characteristics.<sup>8</sup>

- The use of Al poses increased risks to citizens' safety and security.
- Use of AI poses increased risks of violations of citizens' fundamental rights and Union values.
- Authorities do not have the powers, procedural frameworks and resources to ensure and monitor Al development and use complies with applicable rules.
- Legal uncertainty and complexity on how existing rules apply to AI systems dissuade businesses from developing and using AI systems.
- Mistrust in AI would impede AI development in Europe and reduce the global competitiveness of the EU economy.
- Fragmented measures create obstacles for the cross-border AI single market and threaten the Union's digital sovereignty.

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#### Pyramid of risks

The use of AI, with its specific characteristics (e.g. opacity, complexity, dependency on data, autonomous behaviour), can adversely affect a number of fundamental rights and users' safety. To address those concerns, the draft AI act follows a **risk-based approach** whereby legal intervention is tailored to concrete level of risk. To that end, the draft AI act distinguishes between AI systems posing (i) **unacceptable risk**, (ii) **high risk**, (iii) **limited risk**, and (iv) **low or minimal risk**. Under this approach, AI applications would be regulated only as strictly necessary to address specific levels of risk.<sup>20</sup>

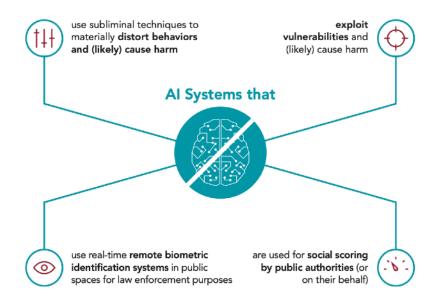




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#### **PROHIBITED USES**

The Regulation identifies a series of Al practices that are prohibited because they go against the EU values or because they violate EU individuals' fundamental rights.





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#### HIGH-RISK AI SYSTEMS

The proposal primarily focuses on high-risk AI applications and impose **stringent requirements on 'providers' and 'users' of AI applications**, as well as across the supply chain. In-scope uses are listed in 2 annexes.

#### ANNEX II **ANNEX III** Al systems used as products or safety Other high risk Al applications component of products covered by including, inter alia: sectorial Union law including, inter alia: Biometric identification and Transport categorization of natural persons Medical devices Management of critical infrastructure Radio equipment Education and vocational training Safety equipment **Employment** Machinery Access to essential private and public services

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Administration of justice

## EX-ANTE REQUIREMENTS VETTED BY A CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT

Before the placement of AI systems on the market or their putting into service, high-risk AI systems should undergo a conformity assessment to ensure they are in line with the requirements of the Regulation.







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## 2. Whistleblower Directive



Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers







Recent scandals, from LuxLeaks to Panama and Paradise Papers or Cambridge Analytica, were brought to the attention of the authorities and the media by whistleblowers.

#### Who is a "whistleblower"?

Whistleblowers are people speaking up when they encounter, in the context of their work, wrongdoing that can harm the public interest, for instance by damaging the environment, public health and consumer safety and EU public finances.

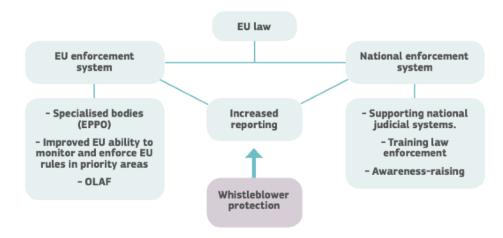
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## 2. Whistleblower Directive

#### What role do they play in enforcing EU law?

Whistleblowers' reports can lead to effective detection, investigation and prosecution of violations of EU law that would otherwise remain hidden, causing serious harm to the well-being of society and, generally, to the public interest.





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## 2. Whistleblower Directive

#### The main problems

#### Protection of whistleblowers is fragmented across the EU and uneven across policy areas

Currently, only ten EU countries (France, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, Malta, Netherlands, Slovakia, Sweden and United Kingdom) have a comprehensive law protecting whistleblowers. In the remaining EU countries, the protection granted is partial: it covers only public servants or only specific sectors (e.g. financial services) or only specific types of wrongdoings (e.g. corruption). Recent scandals uncovered by whistleblowers illustrate how insufficient protection in one country not only negatively impacts the functioning of EU policies there, but can also spill over into other countries and into the EU as a whole.

At EU level, there is only a very limited number of sectors where measures have been put in place to protect whistleblowers (mostly only in the areas of financial services).

#### What will the new proposal bring?

The proposal will guarantee a high level of protection for whistleblowers who report breaches of EU law by setting new, EU-wide standards. The new law will establish safe channels for reporting both within an organisation and to public authorities. It will also protect whistleblowers against dismissal, demotion and other forms of retaliation and require national authorities to inform citizens and provide training for public authorities on how to deal with whistleblowers.

#### Awareness about the protection of whistleblowers



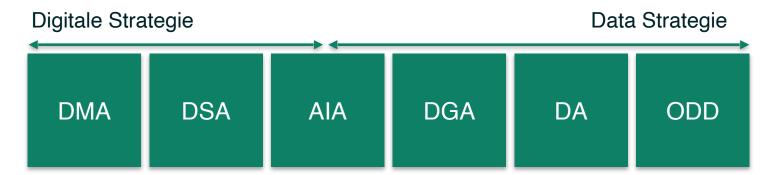
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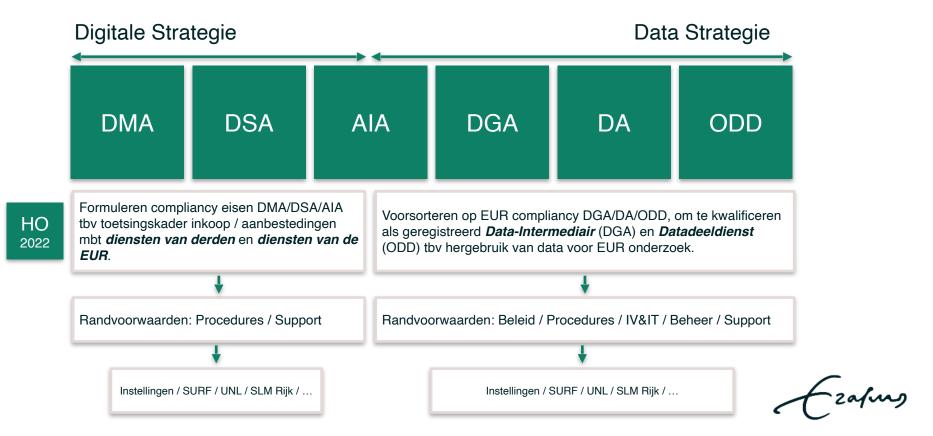
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## 3. Future Developments

#### New Legal Concepts:

- "Very Large Online Platforms" (VLOPs) (DSA)
- "Notice and take action mechanisme" (DSA)
- "Trusted Flaggers" (DSA)
- "Gatekeepers" (DMA)
- "Unfair Conditions" (DMA)
- "Data altruism" (DGA)
- "Data intermediation service" / "Services of data cooperatives" (DGA)
- "Rulebook\* for recognized data altruism organizations" (technical and security requirements, communication roadmaps, interoperability standards) (DGA)
- "Data Holder" (DGA)
- "Data User" (DGA)
- "Prohibited AI practices" -> unacceptable risk (AIA)
- "Regulated high risk AI systems" -> high risk (AIA)
- "Regulatory Sandboxes" (AIA)
- "Digital Sovereignty" (AIA)

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<sup>\*</sup> Source: https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-14606-2021-INIT/en/pd

## 3. Future Developments

#### **New (Supervisory) Bodies:**

- European Data Innovation Board (DGA)
- Digital Services Coordinator (DSA)
- European Supervisor (DMA)

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#### Risks:

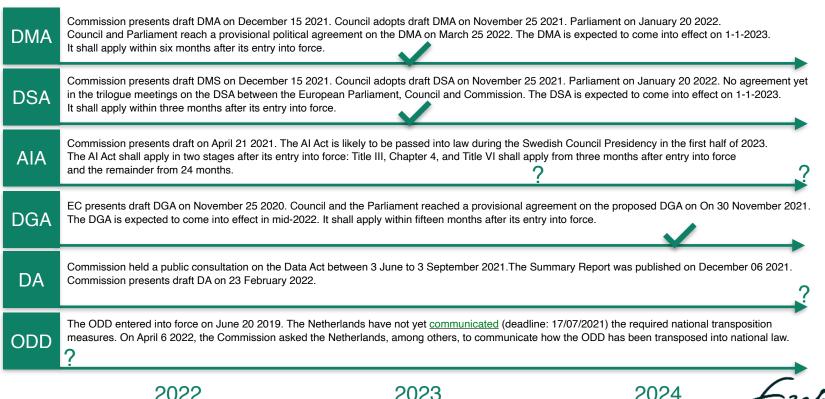
- No formal practical guidance for implementation
- Legal framework / hierarchy / interpretation of concepts

#### **Opportunities:**

- Human-centered way of thinking and working



## 3. Timeline





2024



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