

Introduction



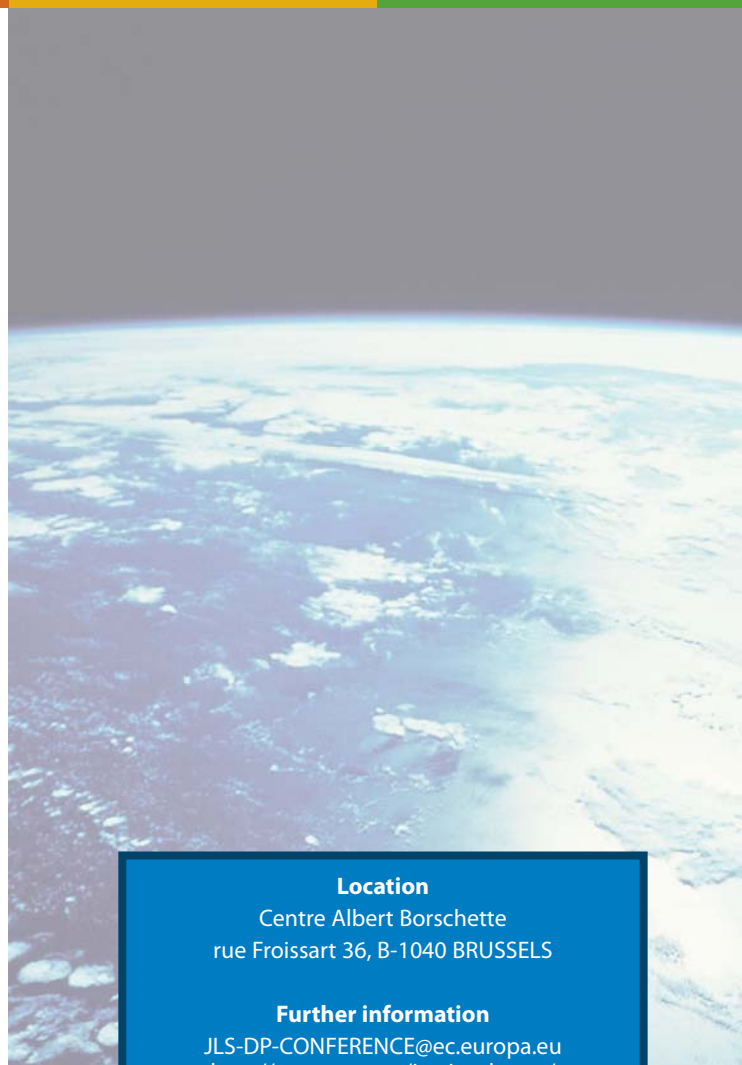
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Conference on international transfers of personal data

The European Commission is organising a Conference on international transfers of personal data, jointly with the Article 29 Data Protection Working Party (Article 29 WP) – the independent EU Advisory Body on Data Protection and Privacy – and the United States Department of Commerce's International Trade Administration.

The Conference, which will take place in Brussels at the Borschette Centre, on 23 and 24 October 2006, will examine the different mechanisms for international flows of personal data. A particular session will be devoted to the Safe Harbour system set up for transfers of personal data to the United States.

The Data Protection Directive 95/46/EC lays down the legal framework for the processing of personal data within the EU. This Directive also covers principles applicable to transfers of personal data to third countries and provides for several mechanisms to ensure an adequate level of protection. As we are now witnessing an increase in international exchanges, along with broad deployment of information and communication technologies, clearly defined rules are necessary for international flows of personal data. In this regard and with the purpose of facilitating international flows while ensuring the rights of individuals, major work is being carried out by EU institutions as well as by the Article 29 WP. In addition to the adopted Commission Decisions, the Article 29 WP has also issued common interpretative opinions relating to international transfers; and it has developed common standards for specific tools that can also be used for international data flows (Binding Corporate Rules).



Location

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Further information

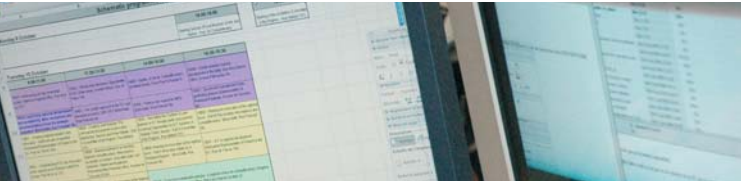
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23 October 2006 First day

24 October 2006 Second day

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12.00-13.30 Registration

13.30-14.15 Opening of the Conference
Introductory welcome speech

Mr Francisco Fonseca Morillo (Director of Civil Rights, Justice & Citizenship)

Mr C. Boyden Gray (Ambassador of the US mission to the EU)

14.15-14.45 Keynote speech: *Professor Yves Pouillet*
"The Challenges of Applying Data Protection Regimes to Global Data Transfers in Diverse Economies"

14.45-15.00 Coffee break

15.00-17.00 Workshop on Safe Harbour

Moderator: Mr Giovanni Buttarelli (IT Garante)

Participants: Mr Damon C. Greer (Associate Director for Electronic Commerce; Office of Technology and Electronic Commerce, US Dept. Commerce)

Ms Jessica Rich (Assistant Director, Division of Privacy and Identity Protection, FTC)

Ms Joan Antokol (VP, Head, Global Privacy Office; Novartis Group Companies)

Mr David Hoffman (Group Counsel; Director of Privacy and Security Policy; Intel)

Ms Fran Maier (Executive Director & President; TrustE)

Morning session

9.00-11.00 Workshop on Contractual Clauses

Moderator: Mr Christopher Kuner (Partner and Head of International Privacy; Hunton & Willians)

Participants: Dr Alexander Dix (DE Data Protection Authority)

Ms Lokke Moerel (Lawyer, Head of the Privacy Practice of De Brauw, Partner IP/ITC dept.; De Brauw Blackstone Westbroek)

Mr Pierre-Yves Lastic (sanofi-aventis Deutschland GmbH)

11.00-11.30 Coffee break

11.30-13.00 Workshop on Binding Corporate Rules

Moderator: Mr Richard Thomas (UK Data Protection Commissioner)

Participants: Ms Madeleine McLaggan-van Roon (NL Data Protection Commissioner)

Mr José Luis Piñar Mañas (ES Data Protection Commissioner)

Mrs Bojana Bellamy (Global Data Privacy and Compliance Leader-Accenture)

Ms Ulrika Dellrud (Counsel European Affairs, GE Europe NV)

13:00-14:00 Luncheon

Afternoon session

14.15-15.45 International data transfers under exceptions on Article 26 of Directive 95/46/EC

Moderator: Mr Philippe Renaudière (Commission Data Protection Officer)

Participants: Mr Georges de la Loyere (FR Data Protection Authority)

Ms Rosa Barceló (Legal Advisor- European Data Protection Supervisor)

Ms Suzanne Innes-Stubb (Associate, White & Case LLP)

15.45-16.00 Coffee break

16.00-17.30 Workshop on International Data Transfers in a Worldwide Context

Moderator: Prof. Francesco Pizzetti (IT Data Protection Authority)

Participants: Mr Malcom Crompton (Managing Director; Information Integrity Solutions Pty.)

Mr Michael Donohue (OECD representative)

Mr Joseph Alhadeff (Vice President; Global Public Policy – Chief Privacy Office; Oracle Corporation)

Mr Marc Rotenberg (Director; EPIC)

Mr Jean-Philippe Walter (Swiss Federal Data Protection Commissioner)

17.30-18.00 Closing remarks by:

Mr Peter Schar (Chairman of the Article 29 Working Party)

Mr Michelle O'Neill (Deputy Under-Secretary for International Trade - United States Department of Commerce)

