



## Results of the second PHAEDRA workshop on 'Challenges and barriers for cooperation and coordination between DPAs' – Report, May 2014

The second PHAEDRA workshop took place on 6 May 2014, in conjunction with the meeting of the International Working Group on Data Protection in Telecommunications (IWGDPT), the so-called Berlin Group, from 5 to 6 May 2014. 22 representatives of Data Protection Authorities (DPAs), Privacy Commissioners (PCs) and Privacy Enforcement Authorities (PEAs) registered for the workshop. The workshop was **opened by Dimitar Gjeorgjievski**, Director of the Macedonian Directorate of Personal Data Protection, co-host (together with the Berlin DPA) of the Berlin Group meeting. The workshop was chaired by Artemi Rallo (Universidad Jaume I), who kindly gave the participants to the workshop the opportunity to introduce themselves.

The **first part of the workshop** was devoted to presentations by PHAEDRA consortium members. Beata Batorowicz (GIODO, Polish DPA) introduced the project and gave general background information on the project.<sup>1</sup> Next, Artemi Rallo addressed the lessons learned, the dissemination of the project results, and the identified barriers in cooperation and coordination between DPAs.<sup>2</sup> Gertjan Boulet (Vrije Universiteit Brussel) closed the first part of the workshop with a presentation on a specific barrier for cooperation between DPAs: the lack of harmonised criminal laws for enforcing privacy as.

**During the second part of the workshop**, the following panellists presented a set of case studies on co-operation and co-ordination:<sup>3</sup>

- *Rob Van Eijk*, Dutch Data Protection Authority (The Netherlands): "Joint investigation 'Whatsapp investigation'";
- *Utan O'Carroll*, Office of the Data Protection Commissioner (Ireland): "Practical experience of cooperation and coordination during DP investigations and audits";

Following points were raised during the question-and-answer session of the second part of the workshop:

- Individual complaints versus institutional decisions to start investigations;

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<sup>1</sup> For the slides of the presentation of Beata Batorowicz, see: <http://www.phaedra-project.eu/wp-content/uploads/PHADERA-BEATA.ppt>

<sup>2</sup> For the slides of the presentations of Artemi Rallo, see: <http://www.phaedra-project.eu/wp-content/uploads/Introduction-to-PHAEDRA-workshop-Skopje-DWv2.pptx> ; and <http://www.phaedra-project.eu/wp-content/uploads/barriers-to-co-operation-PHAEDRA-workshop-Skopje-DW.pptx>

<sup>3</sup> For the slides of the presentations, see: [http://www.phaedra-project.eu/?page\\_id=49](http://www.phaedra-project.eu/?page_id=49)

- Press releases about on-going investigations;
- Naming and shaming powers;
- Meetings between DPAs and WhatsApp;
- Confidentiality of exchanged information;
- Translation issues;
- Need of a framework agreement with common rules for inspections;
- Types of cooperation;
- Sharing of personal data.

**During the third and last part of the workshop**, the PHAEDRA consortium members had a discussion with the audience regarding barriers in international cooperation and coordination between DPAs, PCs, and PEAs as well as the ways to improve cooperation and coordination between DPAs. The meeting benefited from the active participation of Asian data protection authorities: the Korea Internet & Security Agency and the newly established Japanese DPA.

The workshop was **closed by Dimitar Gjeorgjievski**.