

## DATA PRIVACY ALERT

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#### EU

# Article 29 Working Party Explains Its Position on Key Principles in the General DP Regulation

On 17 June 2015, the Article 29 Working Party wrote to the European Council, Parliament and Commission to explaining its position on key principles contained in the general approach to the draft Data Protection Regulation agreed by the Council on 15 June 2015. In particular, the Working Party proposes that it should be mandatory for companies to appoint a data protection officer; "pseudonymous data" should not be treated as a new category of data which is subject to a lighter regime; data subjects should be granted greater control over the use of their personal data for profiling (including the right to object); different thresholds should apply for data breach notification to the competent authority and data subjects; controllers should always be required to have a legal basis for processing for new purposes even if they are not incompatible with the original purpose of data collection; and the Regulation should also apply to processors based outside of the EU where they act for data controllers that are subject to the Regulation.

Working Party opinion on the draft regulations (PDF)

### **United Kingdom**

#### **New Cyber Security Training to Boost Security in Procurement**

On 23 June 2015, the UK Government launched a new online cyber security training course to help the procurement profession protect themselves from information breaches and other threats.

The course provides advice on how to safeguard digital information, raise awareness of cyber issues with suppliers and also provide relevant examples on how to deal with issues such as information breaches in the workplace.

New Cyber Security Training Guidance

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