



Digital Rights Forum 2016 is the first event in Lithuania dedicated exclusively to the discussion on the new challenges to fundamental rights in the context of digital technologies.

The first edition of the Digital Rights Forum centers around the right to data protection with a focus on the new **General Data Protection Regulation** adopted on 14 April 2016. The Regulation is said to change the way businesses use data across the EU, while simultaneously returning the power back to individuals, to decide over how and where their data is used. The companies and state institutions have two years to ensure compliance with the Regulation, which will come into effect in spring 2018.

The aim of the Forum is to facilitate a dialogue between key stakeholders - business, users and the Data Protection Authorities - with a purpose of preparing for the implementation of the GDPR.

Organizers:



Date:
27 October
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Venue:
Comfort Hotel
Vilnius (Lithuania)

Language:
Lithuanian and English
simultaneous interpretation
will be provided

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Programme

8:30-
9:00

Registration of Forum participants

Opening remarks

Representative of the European Commission's Representation in Lithuania
Algirdas Kunčinas, Director of the State Data Protection Inspectorate
Tomas Kubilius, Interim Director of the Human Rights Monitoring Institute

Keynote speeches

9:15-
9:45

European Data Protection Framework for the 21st century - Safeguarding Privacy in a Connected World
Paulo Silva, Legal Officer at the Data Protection Reform Team, DG Justice, European Commission

9:45-
10:15

Privacy as a Competitive Advantage
Christian D'Cunha, Policy Assistant to the European Data Protection Supervisor

10:15-
10:30

Business perspective

Readiness of the Business to Implement the General Data Protection Regulation in Lithuania
Mindaugas Kiškis, Professor of Law, Partner at the law office FORT

10:30-
10:45

Bringing GDPR Home: Steps (to be) Taken by the Omnitel and Teo during the upcoming Two Years
Tatjana Lukoševičienė, Lawyer at Omnitel and Teo

10:45-
11:00

Software Tools to Support GDPR Compliance
Tess Priestler, Consultant at Privacy Perfect

11:00-
11:30

Panel discussion

11:30-
12:00

Coffee break

12:00-
12:15

CSO perspective

Privacy Paradox: Societal Attitudes towards Data Protection in Lithuania
Natalija Bitiukova, Deputy Director of the Human Rights Monitoring Institute

12:15-
12:30

The Role of the Civil Society Organizations in the Data Protection Reform
Per Inge Oestmoen, Board member of the Electronic Frontiers Norway

12:30-
12:45

Regulators perspective

A National Action Plan for the GDPR Implementation: Latvian Perspective
Jekaterina Macuka, Director of Sectoral Policy department at Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Latvia

12:45-
13:00

A National Action Plan for the GDPR Implementation: Estonian Perspective
Viljar Peep, Director General of the Estonian Data Protection Inspectorate

13:00-
13:15

A National Action Plan for the GDPR Implementation: Lithuanian Perspective
Sigita Aurelija Vaičiūnaitė, Chief Specialist at the Legal Institution's Department at the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Lithuania

13:15-
13:30

Personal Data Security Breaches: Implications to Privacy and Reputation
Rita Vaitkevičienė, Deputy Director of the Lithuanian Data Protection Inspectorate

13:30-
14:00

Panel discussion

14:00-
15:00

Lunch at the Time restaurant (Comfort Hotel, ground floor)