

# **Press Release**

The Privacy Symposium International Conference Will Gather in Venice the Highest Authorities and Experts from 5 Continents to Support International Cooperation on Data Regulation, Privacy, and Innovative Technologies, such as Artificial Intelligence

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The Privacy Symposium is an international conference that **aims at promoting international dialogue**, **cooperation**, **and knowledge sharing on data regulation**, **compliance**, **and innovative technologies**. From June 10 to 14, 2024, it will offer over 140 thematic sessions and will give the floor to over 300 top-level speakers and authorities in Venice, Italy.

The conference will bring together the highest authorities in the domain of data protection and privacy, including <u>international organisations</u> (UN, Council of Europe, OECD, UNICEF, ICRC, WTO, etc.), the <u>European Union</u> (EDPB, EDPS, FRA, DG Justice, DG Santé, Europol), and <u>national authorities</u> (most European national data protection authorities, as well as the US, Canada, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, South Korea, Morocco), <u>expert researchers</u>, <u>industry representatives</u> as well as the <u>Italian Minister of Justice</u> and a <u>Nobel Peace Prize laureate</u>.

The programme of the conference will cover several tracks, including:

- Privacy and Democracy, discussing privacy as a fundamental right;
- International Cooperation, focusing on global convergence in data protection regulations and international standards;
- Al and Compliance; establishing trustable, transparent, and accountable Al systems;
- Technology and Compliance, discussing innovative technologies such as Metaverse, Quantum, and Blockchain and compliance;
- · Data Protection in Practice, with lessons learned from authorities and practitioners;
- · Making Data Secure, with a focus on the threats and security of personal data;
- Socio-Economic Perspective, with a focus on the human, social and economic aspects of data protection compliance;
- Health and Medical Data Compliance;
- · Accountability, Trust, and Privacy-Enhancing Technologies (PET);
- · Research and Innovation, with the latest research results and achievements;
- · Data Protection in Italy (presented in Italian);
- Deep Dive In Sessions;
- Scientific Track

## **Media Relevance**

The conference offers a unique opportunity for journalists to:

- Meet and interview top level representatives, including at ministerial and commissioner levels;
- Report on ongoing and upcoming regulatory changes for data and privacy at European and international levels;
- Learn about challenges and good practices for privacy and data protection;
- Access the latest developments for data regulation and compliance;
- Report on international cooperation for privacy and data protection.

### **Testimonials**

**Guido Scorza, Member of the Board of Garante, Italian Data Protection Supervisory Authority**: "Governing privacy in the age of artificial intelligence is a global challenge that cannot be met without a transcontinental, open, frank and concrete debate such as the one that takes place every year in Venice as part of the Privacy Symposium. For those with institutional responsibilities, taking part in this debate is first a duty and then a pleasure."

**Sébastien Ziegler, Chairperson of the Privacy Symposium Organising Committee:** *"The Privacy Symposium gathers top level authorities and experts to discuss how to address and regulate data and digital transformation of our societies. It offers a unique platform for international cooperation, constructive dialogue, and knowledge sharing."* 

**Luca Bolognini, President of the Italian Institute for Privacy:** *"Italy and Venice can be proud to host for the third consecutive year one of the most important global conferences on data protection and technology law. For one week, authorities and experts from all over the world will discuss cutting-edge issues in data protection, cybersecurity, AI and ethical aspects of innovation. Not to be missed."* 

### **Useful links:**

- More information is available on the conference website: <u>https://privacysymposium.org/</u>
- Programme overview: <u>https://privacysymposium.org/programme-overview/</u>
- Programme schedule: <u>https://privacysymposium.org/schedule/</u>
- Full list of speakers: https://privacysymposium.org/programme-speakers/

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