

EU Data Protection Reform:

a concerted effort to make it work

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For new data protection rules to work in practice, it will be important that every actor plays its role:

MEMBER STATES

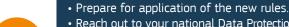
- Adapt national legislation to new rules as soon as possible to give operators enough time to prepare.
- ✓ repeal and amend existing laws.
- 🗹 set up national data protection authorities.
- 🗷 repeat the text of the Regulation in national law.
- Ensure necessary resources and complete independence of Data Protection Authorities.



- Cooperate together including through the setting up of the European Data Protection Board.
- Ensure the application of the rules including through fines.
- Clarify the application of the rules, if need be, e.g. through guidelines.
- Promote a culture of dialogue with all stakeholders, including businesses.



COMPANIES & ORGANISATIONS



- Reach out to your national Data Protection Authorities if not sure what to do.
- Respect new rules as of 25 May 2018.

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

- Closely monitor the application of the General Data
 Protection Regulation and take appropriate actions as necessary, including if necessary the infringement procedure against EU countries which will not apply new rules.
- Promote consistency and limit fragmentation in the application.
- Co-finance awareness raising actions.



CITIZENS

- Get to know your new rights, e.g. right to portability of your personal data.
- Be an empowered citizen if your rights are not respected, contact your national Data Protection Authority.



