



Dear Sir/Madam,

The Council of Europe will celebrate the 40th anniversary of its Convention 108 on data protection on 28 January 2021, during Germany's Presidency of the Council of Europe's Committee of Ministers. On the same date, Germany's Conference of the Independent Data Protection Authorities of the Federation and the Federal States will observe the annual European Data Protection Day.

The Convention 108 was the first binding international treaty on data protection and a model for many other data protection regulations. The European Union's General Data Protection Regulation, in force since 25 May 2018, created a single regulatory framework for handling personal data throughout the entire European Economic Area. Both the Convention 108 and the EU's General Data Protection Regulation contain provisions on international data transfer. To explore the challenges of international data transfer from the perspective of the General Data Protection Regulation and the Convention 108, the Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community and the Conference of the Independent Data Protection Authorities of the Federation and the Federal States would therefore like to invite you to the following online conference:

European Data Protection Day 2021

Transborder transfers

Challenges of international data transfer from the perspective of the Data Protection Convention 108+ and GDPR

40th anniversary Convention 108 on Data Protection of the Council of Europe

<u>Thursday, 28 January 2021 from 13:00 to</u> <u>16:30 CET</u>

Please register at www.bmi.bund.de/convention108-en

Please register by 15 January 2021 at www.bmi.bund.de/convention108-en, where you will also find the conference programme and further information. Please share this email with others who may be interested.

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Speakers:

Horst Seehofer, Federal Minister of the Interior, Building and Community

Andreas Schurig, Commissioner for Data Protection of the Free State of Saxony

Marija Pejčinović Burić, Secretary General of the Council of Europe (tbc)

Dr h. c. Tim Eicke QC, Judge at the European Court of Human Rights

Aleid Wolfsen, Deputy Chair of the European Data Protection Board and Chair of the Dutch data protection supervisory authority

Prof. Dr Dr h. c. Thomas von Danwitz,
Judge at the Court of Justice of the
European Union

Alessandra Pierucci, Chair of the Council of Europe Committee of Convention 108

Monika Grethel, Commissioner for Data Protection and Freedom of Information of the federal state of Saarland