

# EU wetgeving met een data-impact

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# Why a European data strategy?

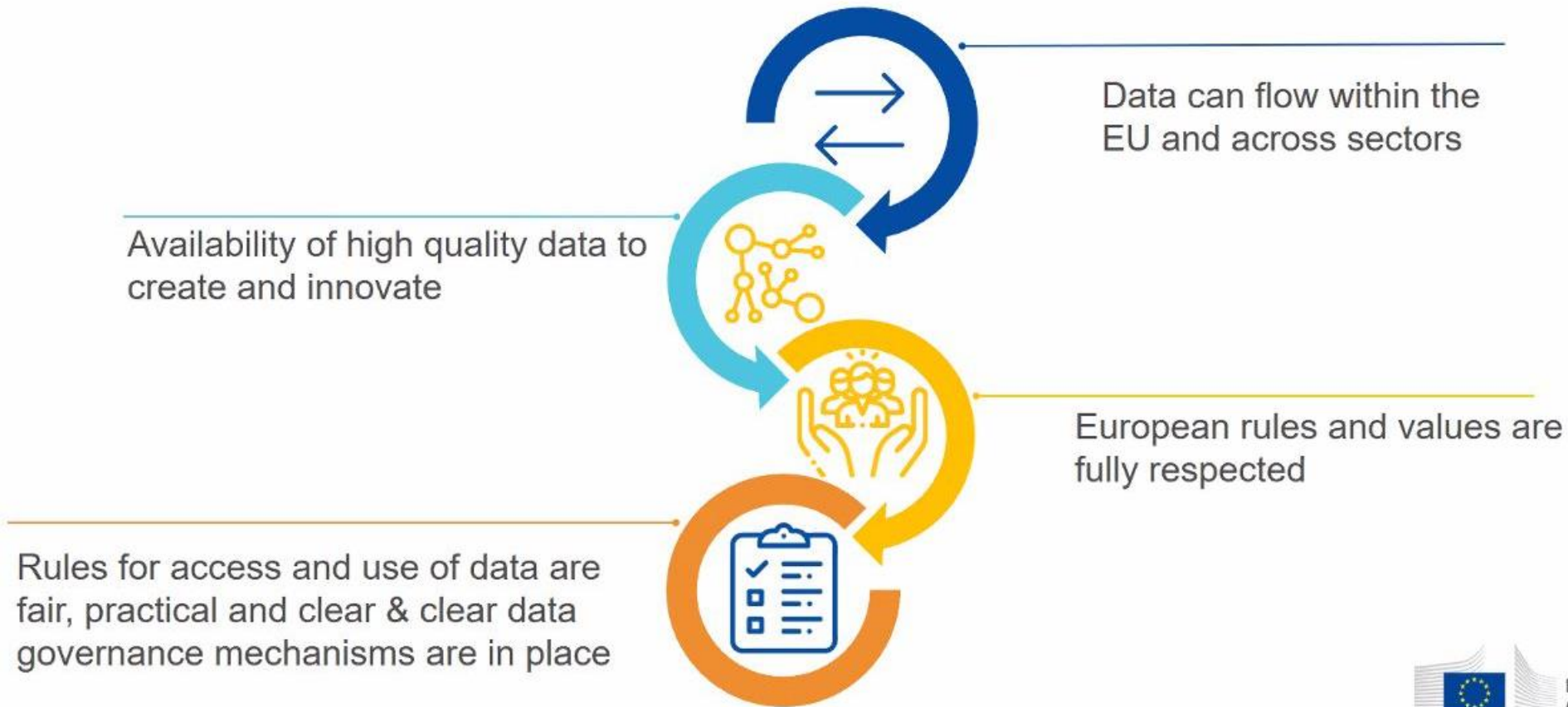
"Data is an essential resource for economic growth, competitiveness, innovation, job creation and societal progress in general."

## Projections (Feb 2020)

- improve health care
- create safer and cleaner transport systems
- generate new products and services
- reduce the costs of public services: 120 billion/year in the health care sector
- improve sustainability and energy efficiency

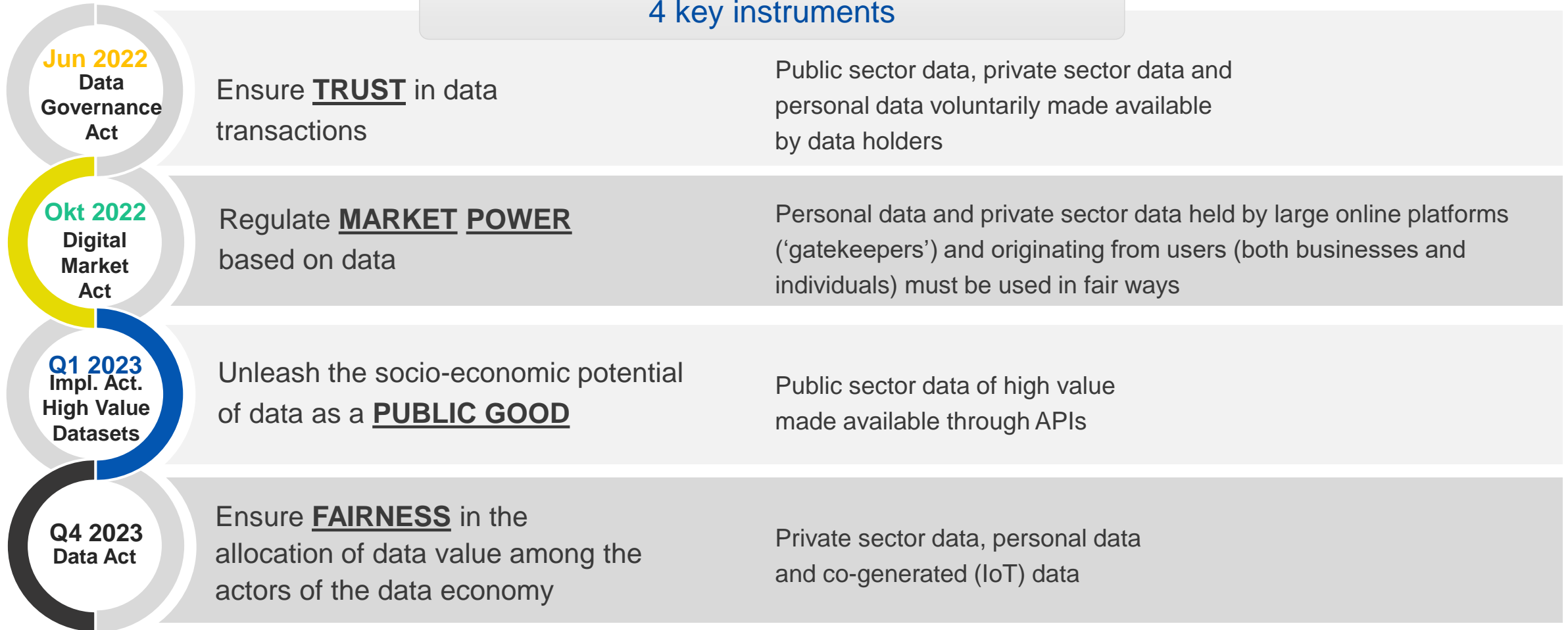
# What does the European data strategy include?

A common European data space, a single market for data



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## 4 key instruments



GOAL: the creation of **common European data spaces**, resulting in one **European single market for data**

# What does the implementing act on **High-Value Data sets** entail?

- Revised PSI directive (2019) aims to make even more open data available
- In particular, 'high-value datasets' means datasets whose re-use can bring significant benefits to society and the economy
- Obligation to open them for re-use:
  - Free, via APIs
  - Available in machine-readable format
  - Where possible and relevant, available as a bulk download
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- Implementing act (early 2023) lays down:
  - Which datasets should be considered as high-value datasets
  - Technical requirements for the data formats and APIs of the high-value datasets
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Geospatial



Environmental



Meteorological



Statistical



Commercial



Mobility

# What is the **Digital Markets Act** (DMA)?

- A set of rules for large digital players, so-called "gatekeepers" with
  - ⑩ a strong economic position and active in several EU countries
  - ⑩ a strong intermediary position between users and companies
  - ⑩ an anchored and sustainable position in the internal market
  - ⑩ E.g. search engines, social networks or online trading platforms
- ⑩ The aim is to avoid unfair commercial practices ...
  - ⑩ e.g. unfair use of data from companies operating on the platform
  - ⑩ ... through an 'enforcement' mechanism based on market research
    - ⑩ quantitative thresholds to be designated as a "gatekeeper" (GAMTAM)
    - ⑩ prohibiting a number of commercial practices that are clearly unfair
    - ⑩ penalties for non-compliance (fines up to 10% of worldwide turnover)
  - ⑩
- \*Legislation (02/05/2023) intended for companies, not for governments

# What is the **Data Governance Act**? (24/09/2023)

- What problem is the DGA trying to solve?

**=> Data sharing remains limited**

- Low confidence
- Problems with the reuse of certain government data & private data and the collection of data for public interest purposes
- Technical barriers to data re-use
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- What is the purpose of the DGA?

**=> Achieve a better (re)use of data**

- Increase trust
- Strengthen mechanisms that increase data availability
  - Re-use of protected public sector data: more public sector data available
  - Data intermediation services: more data sharing between companies
  - Data altruism: more voluntary data sharing by citizens and businesses for non-profit purposes but in the public interest
- More standards for data reuse
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# What is the **Data Act** (DA) about?

- What problem is the DA trying to solve?

- ⑩ Huge potential of unused data
- ⑩ Uncertainty about data rights & data collection by connected devices
- ⑩ Imbalance in power ratio / allocation of the value of data
- ⑩ Barriers to moving between cloud and edge services
- ⑩ Lack of cross-sectoral data interoperability

- What is the purpose of the DA?

- Achieve better access to data: focus on SMEs – contracting issues
- Right to share data generated by IOT
- Making private data available for the public interest in the event of exceptional need
- Easier transition between cloud and edge services
- Facilitating data exchange through technical standards and interoperability
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## Relevant as well: **Artificial Intelligence Act** (AIA) (trilogue)

- Establishes a set of horizontal rules
  - for the development, commercialisation and use of AI-driven products, services and systems on EU territory
  - applicable to all industries
- Aims to define high standards of a European "trustworthy AI" model
  - AI that is legally, ethically and technically robust, respecting democratic values, human rights and the rule of law
  - Based on reliable, unbiased data
  - Combines a risk-based approach based on a pyramid of risk levels, with a modern, layered enforcement mechanism
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## Relevant as well: **Interoperable Europe Act** (IEA) (proposal phase)

- Objective: to substantially strengthen cooperation on interoperability between public administrations in the EU.
  - Ensuring a **consistent, human-centred EU approach to interoperability**
    - Strengthening the existing recommendations of the European Interoperability Strategy (EIF), in particular data
    - Performing ex-ante interoperability assessments for cross-border services and sharing (making available & supporting) interoperability solutions within the public sector
  - Developing a **governance structure for interoperability**
    - Interoperable Europe Board ondersteund door Interoperable Europe Community
  - Co-creating an ecosystem of interoperability solutions for the EU's public sector
    - Interoperable Europe Portal met Interoperable Europe Solutions
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# Link with other European initiatives

DATA AS A NEW RAW MATERIAL/RESOURCE

- The Data Governance Act and the Data Act should contribute to the creation of common European data spaces (funded by the DEP - Digital Europe Programme)
  - in nine domains, ranging from industry and energy to health (EHDS) and the European Green Deal
  - e.g. more efficient management of energy consumption, personalised medicine and better government services
- Other relevant European initiatives:
  - Gaia-X: set of standards and principles for interoperable European cloud services to guarantee data portability when stored in the European data spaces
  - Data Space Support Centre (DSSC): supporting European data spaces
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**Thank you for your attention  
Any questions?**