





Data Privacy Vocabulary (DPV)

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Introduction: Expertise in GDPR and Semantics



- PhD: GDPR x Semantic Web x Provenance \rightarrow ADAPT Theme-E / EPWG
 - 2016 2020 :: Data Governance, Legal Compliance, GDPR
 - Vocabularies, Ontologies → Representation, Querying, Validation^d
 - Open Sourced all work and resources http://openscience.adaptcentre.ie/

Focus:

- Machine-readability automation, interpretation, checking, verification
- Interoperability use it across systems, platforms, services, vendors, organisations
- Standards stability, agreement, commonality, interoperability

Outcomes:

- GDPRtEXT^a: taxonomy of GDPR, expose legislation as linked data
- GDPRov^b: provenance of activities related to personal data and consent
- GConsent^c: ontology for information related to consent based on GDPR



Data Protection Vocabularies and Controls Community Group (DPVCG) https://www.w3.org/community/dpvcg/

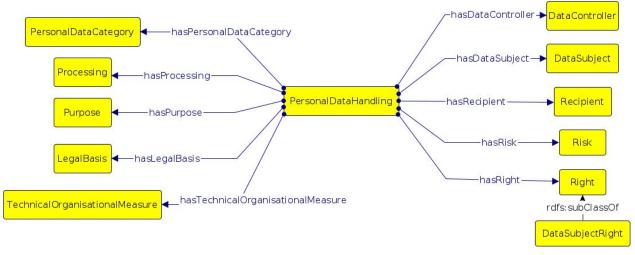


- DPVCG is: a community of practitioners from various domains: legal, research, industry, privacy, academic, authorities
 - Started in 2018 under the EU H2020 SPECIAL Project (2017 2019)
 - Joined as a Member in Sep 2018 with support from ADAPT as part of PhD research undertaken regarding GDPR compliance
- DPVCG creates a common vocabulary for specifying information about how personal data is processed and used based on GDPR
- Current responsibilities:
 - Co-Chair (since Jan 2020)
 - Author / Maintainer of deliverables



Data Privacy Vocabulary (DPV) https://w3.org/ns/dpv

- v0.1 consisted of:
 - Personal data categories
 - Purposes
 - Processing categories
 - Technical and organizational measures
 - Legal Basis, including consent
 - Recipients, data controllers
- v0.2 (Jan 2021) extends with: Rights, Risks



Ongoing Work

- Technologies databases, encryption, etc.
- Risk Management ← IRC fellowship^b
 - 2021-22 individual award
 - Express risk using DPV
 - Enable exploration of risks
 - Automate PIA / DPIA
- Guidelines / Standards ISO, etc.
- Legal bases
- Consent Records ← NGI TRUST funding^c
 - Create specification for consent
 - Verifiable, transparent, accountable
 - Implementations and Protocols

a "Creating A Vocabulary for Data Privacy". Pandit and Polleres et al. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-33246-4_44
b RISKY: Exploring privacy risks of technologies using knowledge graphs https://harshp.com/research/projects/risky
c Privacy as Expected: Consent Gateway project https://privacy-as-expected.org/



Conclusions and Impact



- 1. Academic: DPV is the most comprehensive vocabulary within the SotA
- 2. Industry:
 - a. Thomson Reuters
 - b. Deutsche Telekom AG
 - C. PROXIMUS
 - d. Signatu AG
- 3. Personal Involvement:
 - a. Feedback to ISO/IEC WG in Privacy Engineering e.g. 27560 Consent Record
 - b. Kantara Initiative: Consent and Personal Data Receipts
 - C. Career-defining work as author of DPV and chair of DPVCG
- 4. Future Efforts:
 - a. Increase industry adoption through tools and documentation
 - b. Encourage research & development of interoperable solutions
 - C. Propose standard adoption to EU ISA² Programme



Career under ADAPT



- PhD Mar 2016 -- May 2021
- Funding awards
 - IRC Research Fellowship (2 years): Oct 2020 -- Sep 2022
 - NGI TRUST (H2020) Project (6 months): Oct 2020 -- Jun 2021
- Freedom for exploring networks and opportunities
 - Legal data \rightarrow EU Datathon (1st place) \rightarrow EU Publications Office
 - Join DPVCG → Author/Editor of DPV → Co-Chair
 - Join NSAI & ISO WG → Contribute to 27560 standard on Consent
- Research Supervision & Teaching
 - Taught Concurrent System to Third Year Undergraduate (CompSci)
 - Supervising Undergraduate & MSc Projects; Mentor PhD Students
- Organisation and Activities:
 - Chair for LegalTech track at SEMANTiCS conference (Sep'20, Oct'21)
 - Chair for COnSeNT workshop at Euro Security & Privacy (Oct'21)
 - Chair of W3C Consent Community Group (formed 2021)

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