

GRC Tools for Global Privacy Compliance

Executive Summary

As part of my responsibility to strengthen the organization’s privacy and compliance posture, I conducted a strategic evaluation of Governance, Risk, and Compliance (GRC) tools that align with our regulatory obligations and business operations. This report outlines the tool selection criteria, and the recommended tools that will support our compliance and operational integrity.

Organizational Context

A multinational technology company delivering software, cloud, and data analytics solutions. Our services involve the collection and processing of personal and sensitive data across various geographies, placing us under the jurisdiction of stringent privacy laws, including GDPR and other global regulations.

Tool Selection Criteria

To guide a practical and scalable solution, I used the following criteria in the evaluation:

Criteria	Description
Regulatory compliance support	Coverage of GDPR, CCPA and other applicable privacy regulations
Data mapping & discovery	Ability to locate, classify and visualize personal data across data systems
Consent & preference management	Real time management of consent across channels and integration with user apps
DSR Automation	Workflow tools to intake, verify and fulfill user requests at scale
Security & privacy by design	Encryption, role-based access and privacy by default configuration capabilities
Integration & Scalability	Compatibility with the company’s stack and cloud infrastructure
User experience & Reporting	Intuitive interface with strong dashboards, audit logs and reporting tools

Recommended Tools

After comparing leading platforms and their relevance to the organization's use cases, I recommended the following tools:

OneTrust - Industry leader offering full GDPR support, consent management and DSR tools

TrustArc - Strong in automated DSR workflows, risk management and data inventory

Securiti.ai - AI driven privacyOps, ideal for real time DSR automation and cloud security

BigID - Advanced data discovery and classification, focused on privacy by design

Collibra - Strong data governance solution with privacy integration for enterprise scale

PrivIQ - Lightweight, easy-to-use GDPR compliance platform for tech startups and midsize firms.

Conclusion

I completed the evaluation and selection of GRC tools tailored to the organization's privacy obligations and operational scale. The recommended solutions address critical compliance gaps, automate privacy functions, and embed data protection into our systems by design. These tools will help strengthen regulatory alignment, build user trust, and scale securely in a complex global data environment.