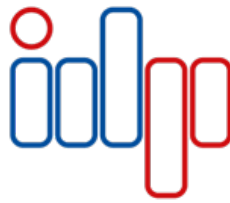




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# NATIONAL CONVENTION FOR EUROPEAN INTEGRATION CHAPTER 23: JUDICIARY AND FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

## IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW LAW ON PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION IN THE CONTEXT OF CHAPTER 23 NEGOTIATIONS: DIALOGUE WITH CIVIL SOCIETY AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR

15 July 2025

Xheko Imperial Hotel

10:00 - 13:00

The Commissioner for the Right to Information and Personal Data Protection and the European Movement Albania have the pleasure to invite you to the upcoming meeting of the Working Group for Chapter 23: Judiciary and Fundamental Rights, organized in the framework of the National Convention for European Integration, supported by the European Union.

The Working Group for Chapter 23 serves as a space for consultation and dialogue, enabling the involvement of non-state actors in the negotiation process, such as representatives of civil society, researchers and lecturers, legal professionals, and other key stakeholders. The aim is not only to inform about the process, but also to ensure the active engagement of civil society and interest groups to provide recommendations and comments on the adopted legal framework and policies, as well as to follow and monitor the policymaking process in its various stages.

This session of the Working Group for Chapter 23 aims to bring together civil society organizations, human rights activists, academics, legal professionals, private sector operators, and media representatives to gain broader information about the new Law on Personal Data Protection 124/2024, adopted in December 2024. Among other things, this law introduces several innovations and new elements aimed at more targeted and inclusive protection of personal data, enabling better harmonization with European Union legislation, as part of the negotiation process and in fulfilment of the interim benchmarks set for Chapter 23 in this sub-field. Of particular importance for discussion is also the work being carried out for the adoption of sub-legal acts to ensure its effective implementation. Special attention will be given to the exchange of best practices, with the participation of an expert from Slovakia, who will share concrete models and successful experiences from the EU context, with a focus on the implementation process of the GDPR.

We kindly invite you to confirm your participation at: [info@em-al.org](mailto:info@em-al.org)

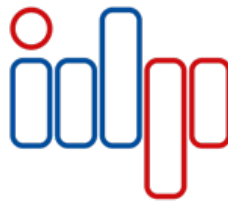
We look forward to your participation and active engagement in this event!

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Registration and Welcome Coffee

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Opening Remarks

**Ms. Blerta Nerguti**, Secretary General, Commissioner for the Right to Information and Personal Data Protection

**Mr. Gledis Gjipali**, Executive Director of European Movement Albania

10:45 - 11:10

Implementation of the New Personal Data Protection Law in Albania: Innovations, Challenges, and Alignment with EU Accession Benchmarks

- Presentation of the innovations in the new law (innovative elements as well as implementation challenges)
- Progress within the negotiation process and fulfilment of the interim benchmarks for Chapter 23
- Work on the adoption of sub-legal acts – involvement of non-state actors in the consultation process

**Ms. Blerta Nerguti**, Secretary General, Commissioner for the Right to Information and Personal Data Protection

**Ms. Pjerina Mema**, Director General for Personal Data Protection, Commissioner for the Right to Information and Personal Data Protection

11:10 - 11:40

Practical Implementation of GDPR: National-Level Harmonisation and the Role of Non-State Actors

- Challenges in implementing GDPR at the national level and the most common practical gaps
- The role of non-state actors in implementing and monitoring personal data protection
- Practical implications of GDPR for different sectors: data minimisation, the right to be forgotten, DPIA, prior consultations, etc.

**Ms. Zuzana Motúzová**, Lawyer and Co-Founder of Motúzová & Lacko Law Company / Slovakia

11:40 - 12:15

Interactive Discussion with CSOs, legal professionals, media, lecturers and researchers, private sector operators, and other involved actors.

12:15 - 13:00

Closing of the Roundtable and Networking Cocktail

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