

How to implement data protection – fulfilling the (not so new) requirement of the GDPR

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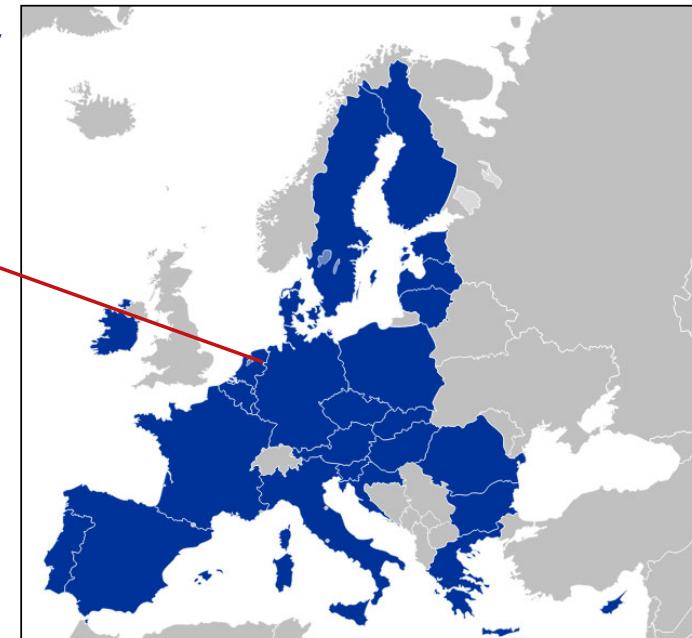
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2. Why data protection?
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Schleswig-Holstein	
State of Germany	
	Coat of arms
Flag	
 Coordinates: 54°28'12"N 9°30'50"E	
Country Germany	
Capital	Kiel
Government	
• Body	Landtag of Schleswig-Holstein
• Minister-President	Daniel Günther (CDU)
• Governing parties	CDU / Greens
• Bundesrat votes	4 (of 69)
Area	
• Total	15,763.18 km ² (6,086.20 sq mi)

Setting of ULD

- State Data Protection Authority (DPA) for both the public and private sector
- Located in Kiel, Germany



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to implement data protection



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Imbalance
in power
⇒ data
protection
necessary

Important:
Perspective
of the
individual

More than
security of
personal
data

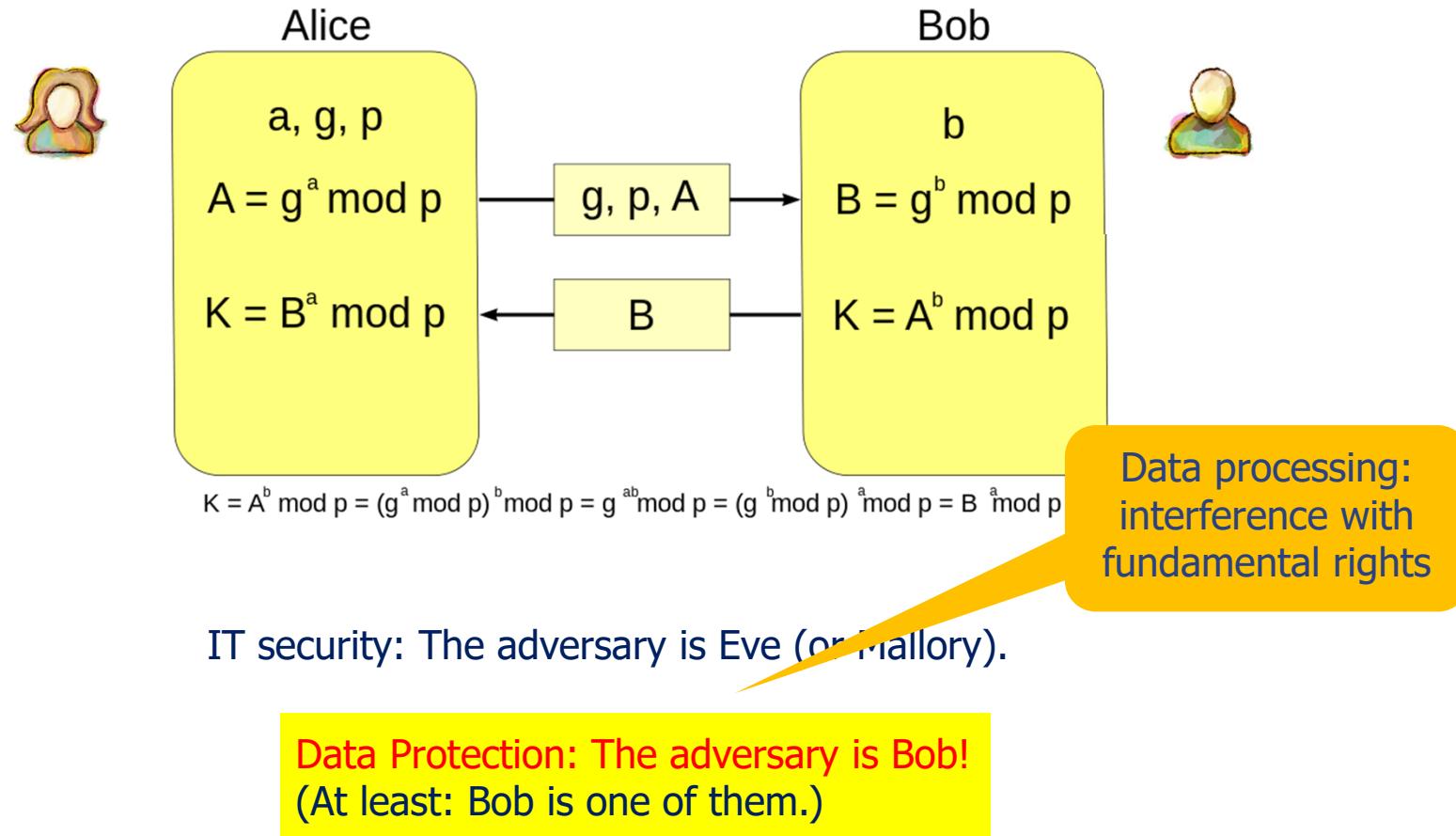


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Perspective: Alice & Bob

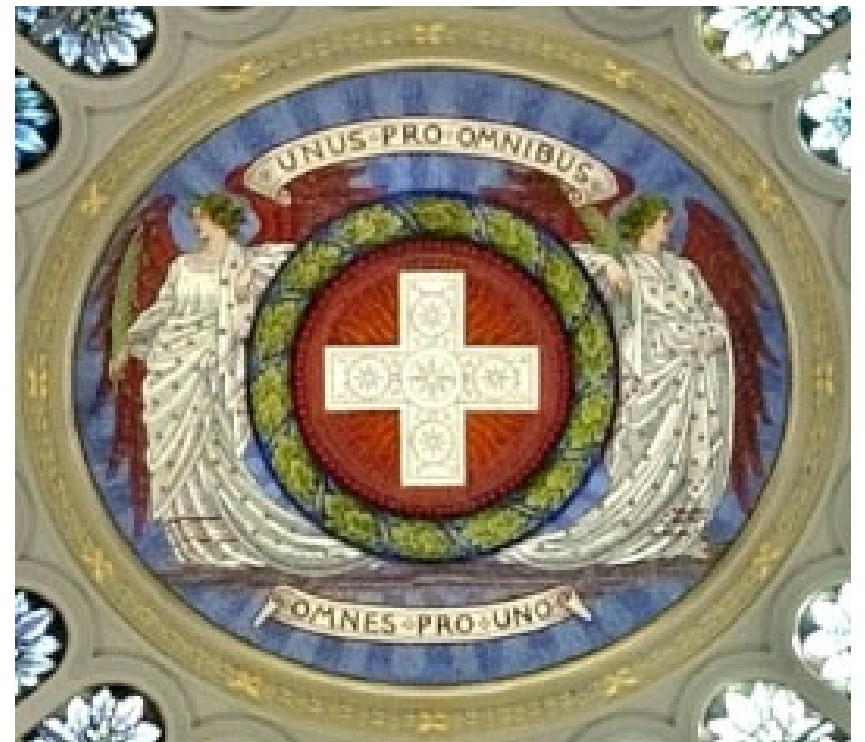


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General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

- Idea: **One for All**
and
All for One
- Objectives:
 - **Real harmonisation,**
“level playing field”
 - **Technology-neutral**
- In force since May 2018



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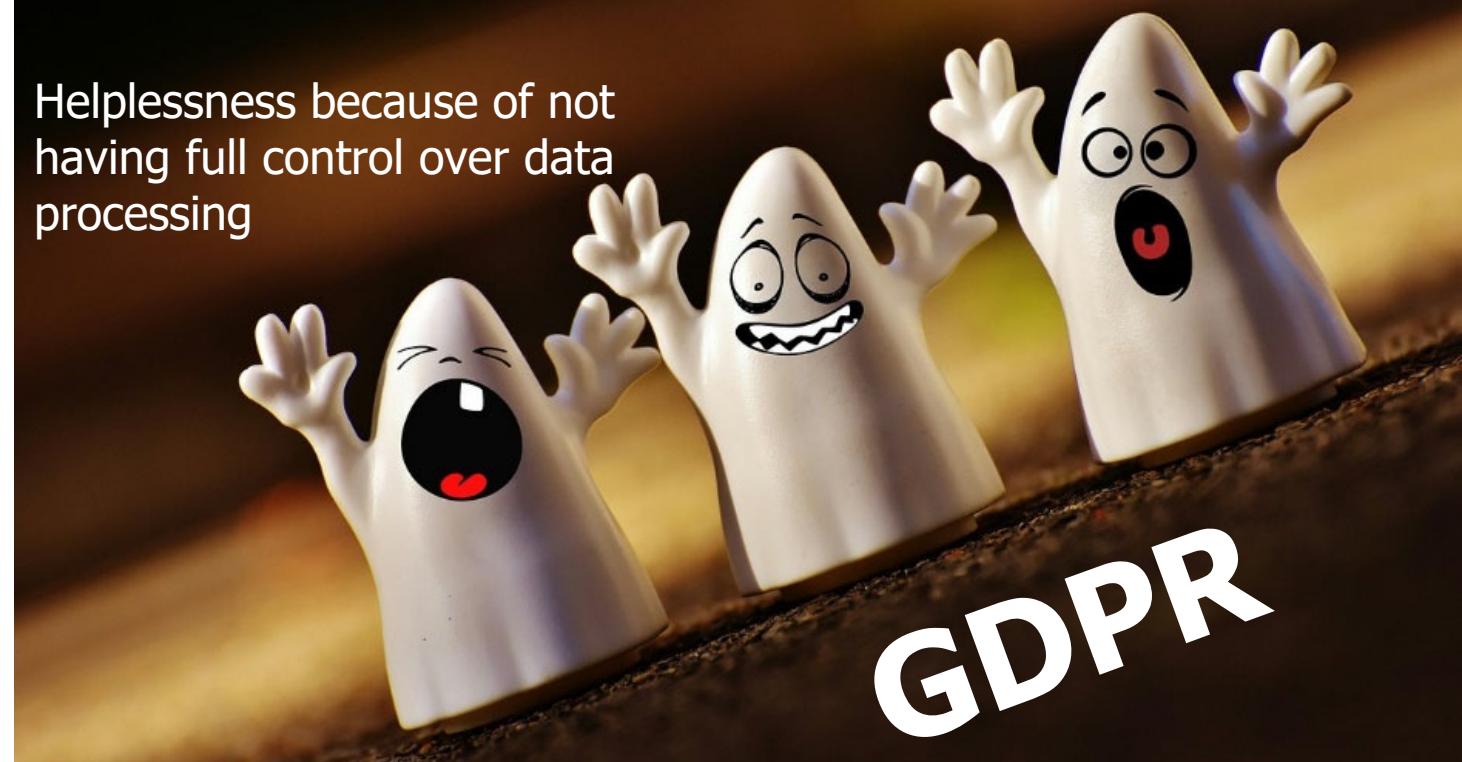
Nightmare GDPR?

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Fear of data protection supervision:
High fines possible

Helplessness because of not having full control over data processing



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GDPR as "Game Changer" (?)

- Principle "Data Protection by Design" – but enforcement issues
[Art. 25 GDPR]
- Fines & sanctions by Data Protection Commissioners
[Art. 58, Art. 83 GDPR]
- Courts



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Powerful toolbox
if applied appropriately

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Design requirements

Art. 5 GDPR - Principle

Art. 5 GDPR – **Principles relating to processing of personal data**

Common theme:
Fairness

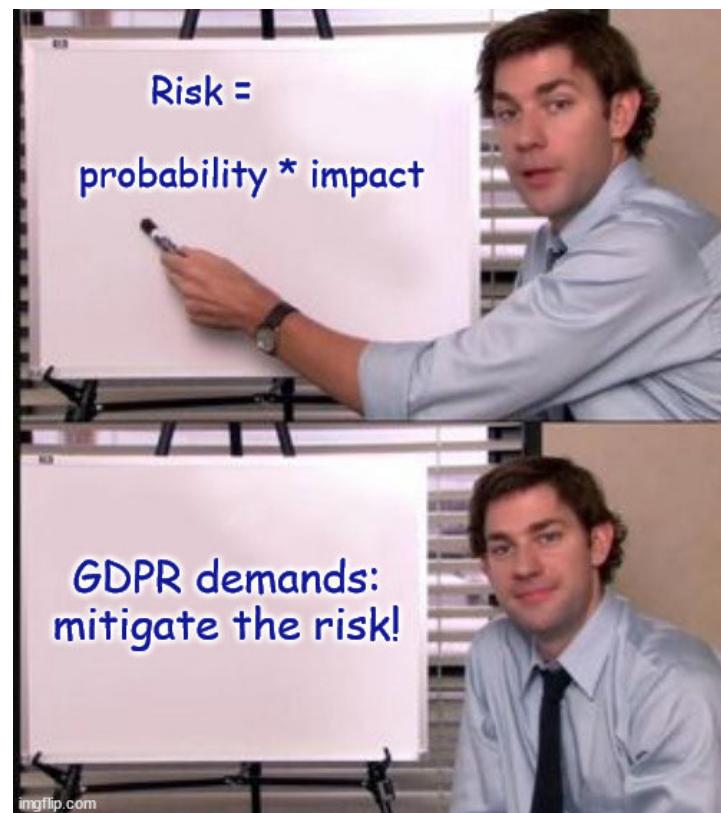
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- a) Lawfulness, fairness and transparency
- b) Purpose limitation
- c) Data minimisation
- d) Accuracy
- e) Storage limitation
- f) Integrity and confidentiality (~ security)

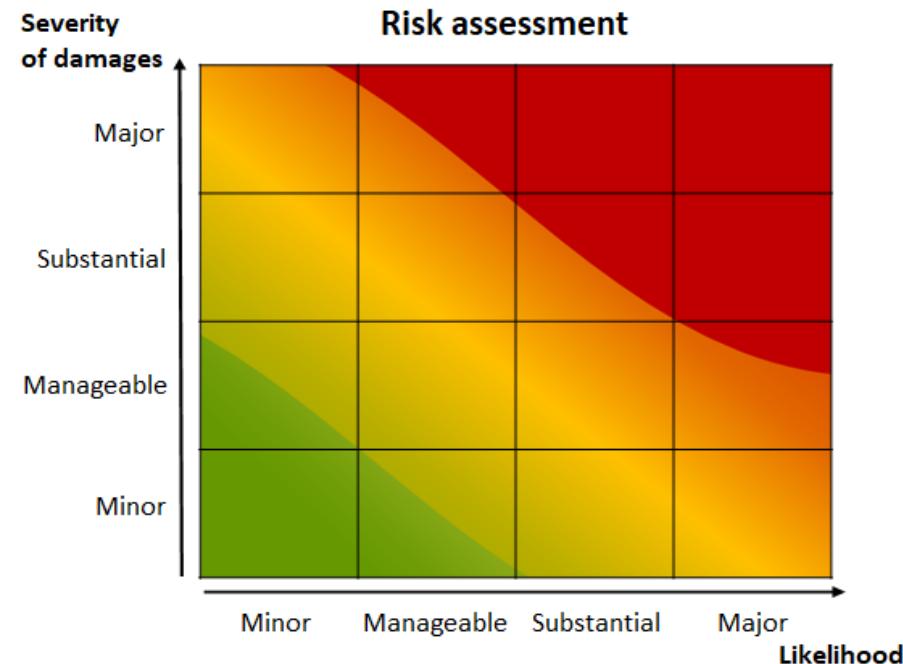
(2) Accountability

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Trustworthy? The GDPR's notion of risk

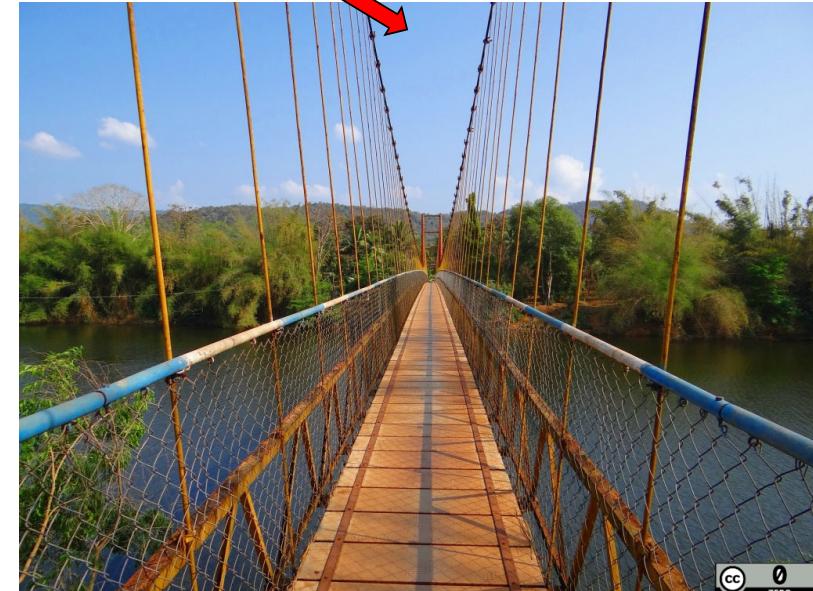


Risk for the rights and freedoms of natural persons – see EU Charter of Fundamental Rights

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GDPR demands risk mitigation



High risk – not lawful without **prior risk mitigation** (design, technical and organisational measures)

Trustworthiness through appropriate built-in measures and checkability



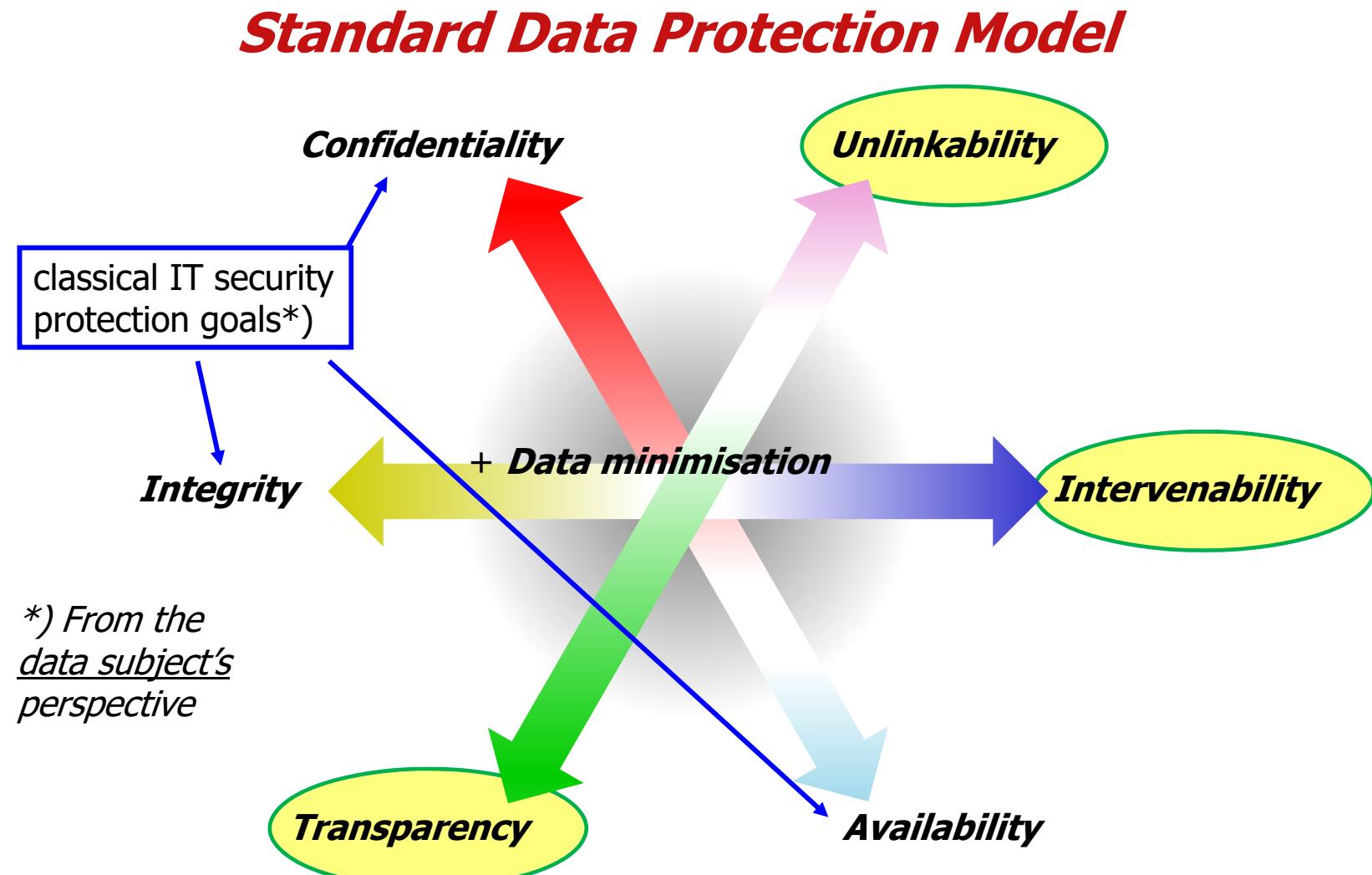
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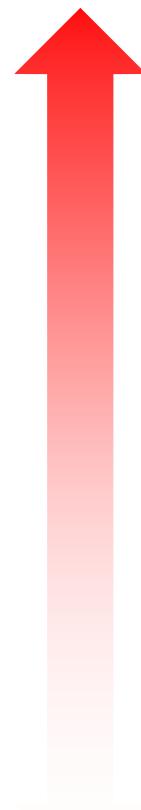
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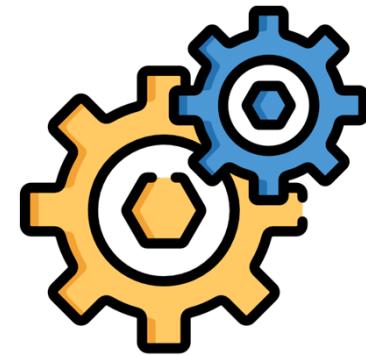
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Implementation Techniques:

- Data Encryption
 - in transit (TLS, HTTPS, SSH, ...)
 - at rest (PGP, S/MIME, disk encryption ...)
 - ...
- Data Segregation
 - Secret Sharing, Secure Multiparty Computations
 - Onion Routing
- Access Control Enforcement



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Integrity

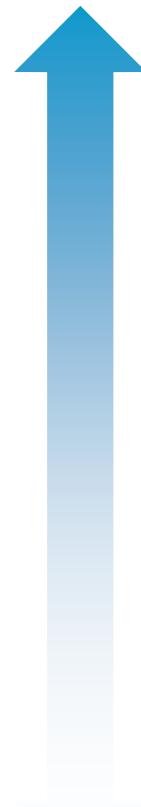
Implementation Techniques:

- Digital Signatures
- Hash Values
- Access Control Enforcement
- Watchdogs / Canaries



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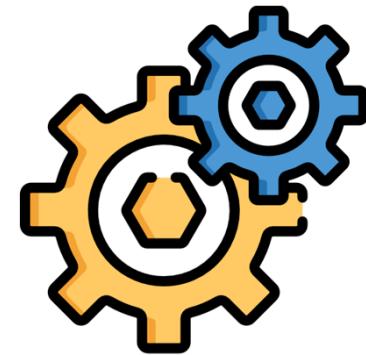
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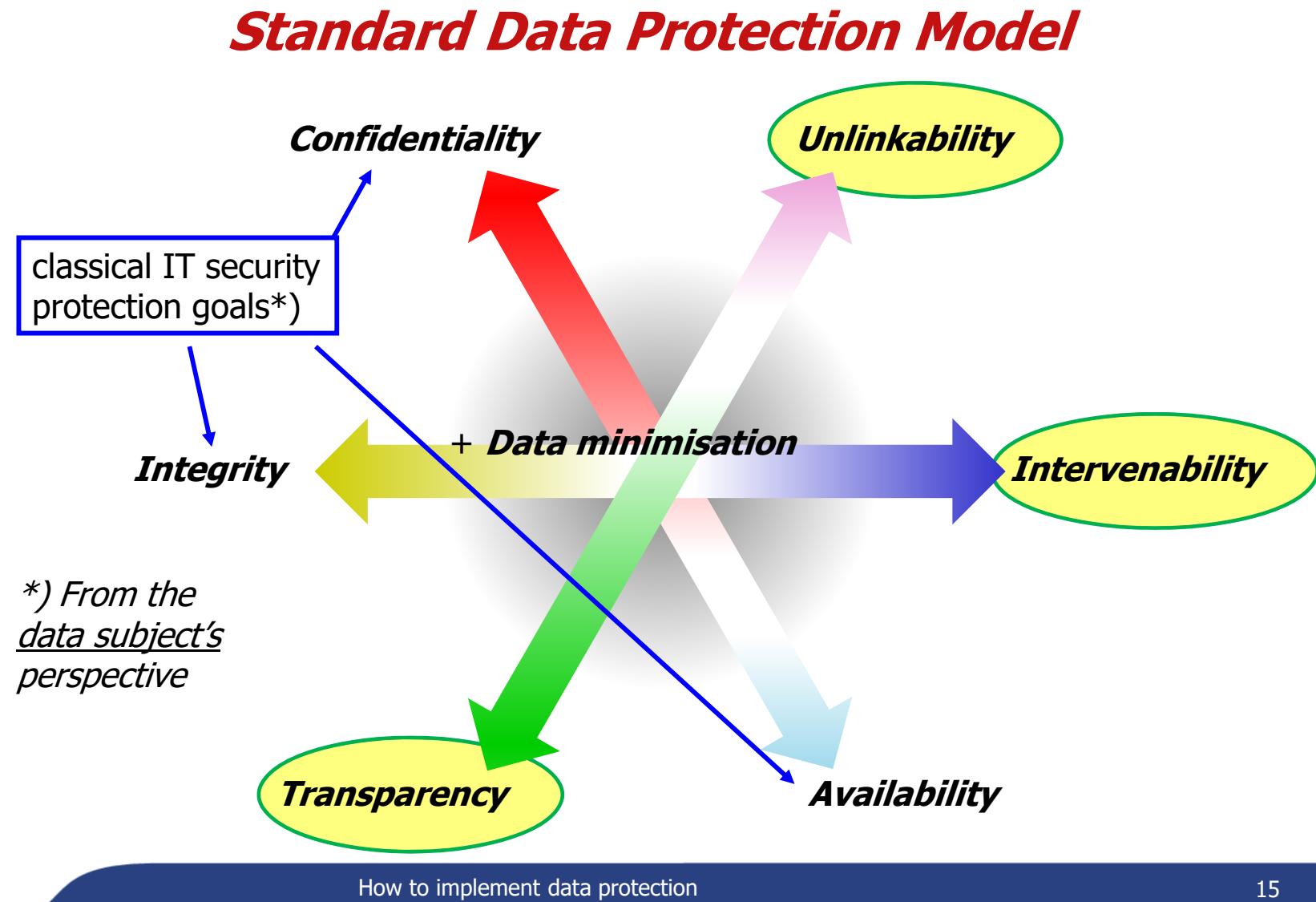
Implementation Techniques:

- Backups
- Load Balancers
- Redundant Components
- Avoidance of Single-Points-of-Failure
- Watchdogs / Canaries



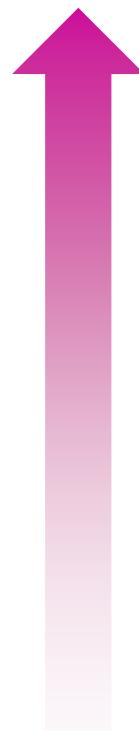
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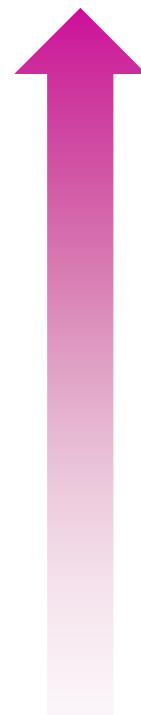
"The protection goal of

Unlinkability

**is defined as the property that
personal data cannot be linked
across domains that are constituted by
a common purpose and context."**

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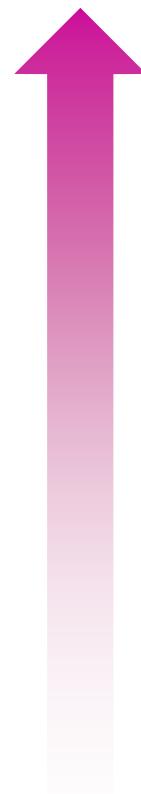
Unlinkability

... in other words:

- Necessity / Need-to-Know
- Purpose Binding
- Separation of Power
- Unobservability

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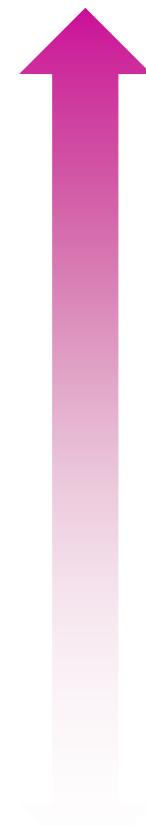
Implementation Techniques:

- Data Avoidance / Reduction
- Access Control Enforcement
- Generalization
 - Anonymization / Pseudonymization
 - Abstraction
 - Derivation
- Separation / Isolation
- Avoidance of Identifiers



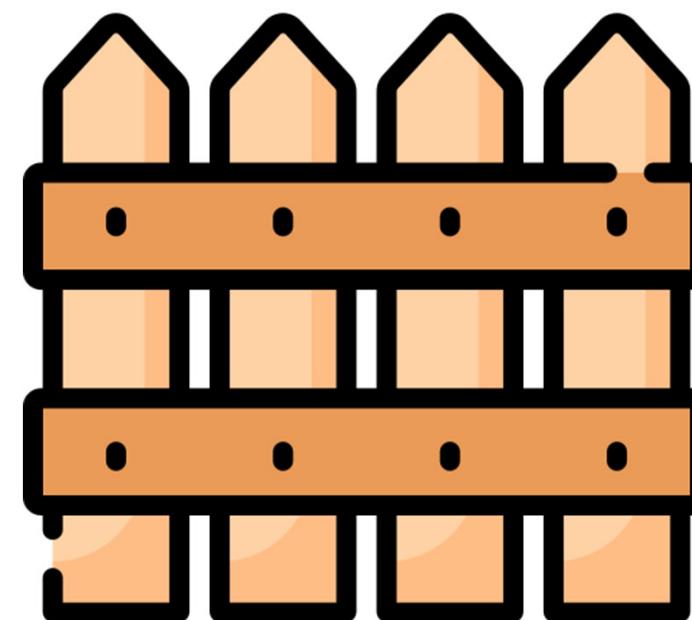
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Think of it as ...



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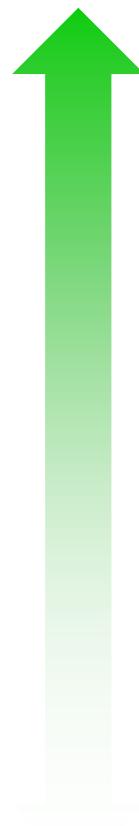
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Transparency

**is defined as the property that
all processing of personal data
– including the legal, technical,
and organizational setting – can be
understood and reconstructed at any time."**

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Transparency

... in other words:

- Openness
- Accountability
- Documentation
- Reproducibility
- Notice (and Choice)
- Auditability
- Full-Disclosure

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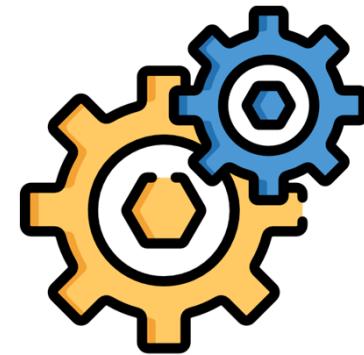
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Transparency

Implementation Techniques:

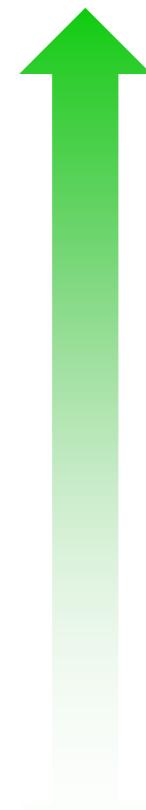
- Logging and Reporting
- User Notifications
- Documentation
- Status Dashboards
- Privacy Policies
- Transparency Services for Personal Data
- Data Breach Notifications



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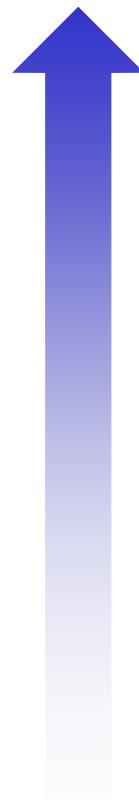
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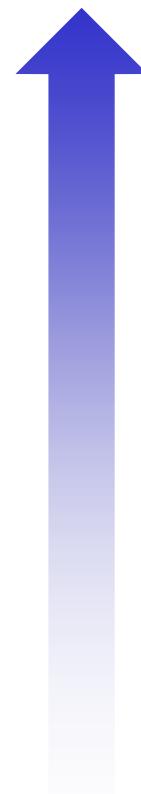


Intervenability

"The protection goal of *Intervenability* is defined as the property that intervention is possible concerning all ongoing or planned processing of personal data."

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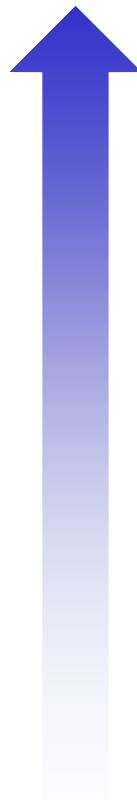
Intervenability

... in other words:

- Self-Determination
- User Controls
- Rectification or Erasure of Data
- (Notice and) Choice
- Consent Withdrawal
- Claim Lodging / Dispute Raising
- Process Interruption

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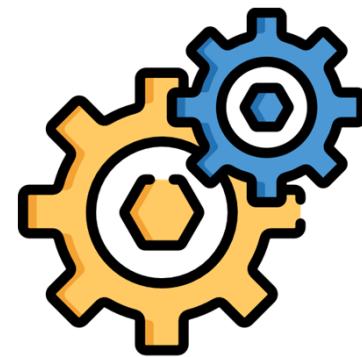
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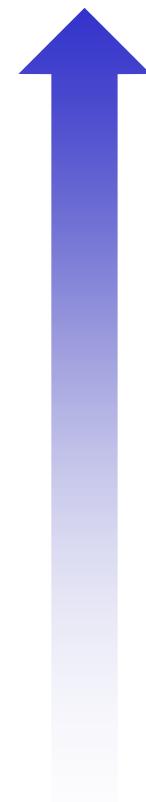
Implementation Techniques:

- Configuration Menu
- Help Desks
- Stop-Button for Processes
- Break-Glass / Alert Procedures
- Manual Override of Automated Decisions
- External Supervisory Authorities (DPAs)



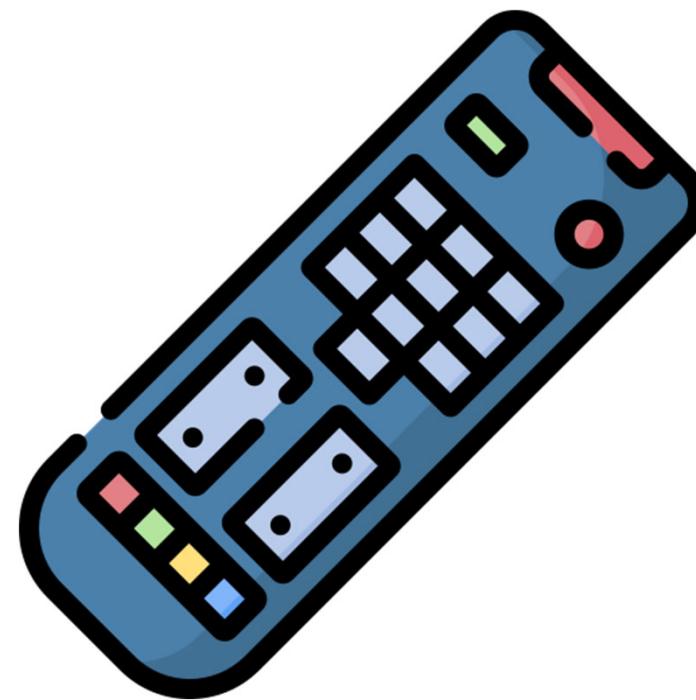
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Data minimisation – how exactly? E.g. video surveillance

Many possible measures for data minimisation:
when, which data, for which analyses, ... really necessary?



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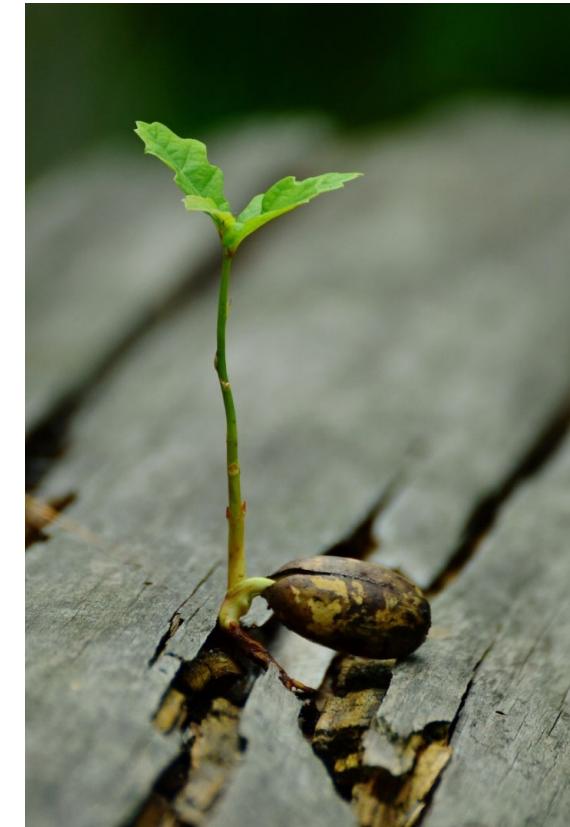
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Conclusion

- The GDPR is there – and **won't go away.**
- It's all about **risk mitigation**
- Security: only one aspect
- Demand built-in data protection from vendors, service providers and developers
- Data Protection Authorities can help ...
- ... and the **Standard Data Protection Model**



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