

# Privacy at the international level

## United Nations

Privacy is a human right, in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The [resolution 68/167](#) is specific about the right to privacy in the digital age.

## Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development

OECD developed guidelines on the protection of privacy and trans-border data flows. (voluntary basis).

- [OECD Guidelines on the Protection of Privacy and Trans-border Flows of Personal Data 1980](#)

## Council of Europe

Like the United Nations, the Council of Europe drafted several agreements to advance citizens' privacy rights as part of a broader commitment to cooperation and the development of human rights and fundamental freedoms.

- [Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data 1980](#)
- [Additional Protocol to the Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data regarding supervisory authorities and trans-border data flows 2001](#)

## Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation

On voluntary basis:

- [APEC Privacy Framework 2004](#)

## European Data Protection Directive

- <http://ec.europa.eu/justice/data-protection/>

There is a Art. 29 Working Party, also referred to as WP.29: [http://ec.europa.eu/justice/data-protection/article-29/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/justice/data-protection/article-29/index_en.htm)

## **International Conference of Data Protection and Privacy Commissioners**

Each year the International Conference of Data Protection and Privacy Commissioners brings together the highest authorities and institutions guaranteeing data protection and privacy, as well as experts in the field from every continent.

- [34th International Conference of Privacy and Data Protection Commissioners](#)

## **Others**

- [Article 12 The Universal Declaration on Human Rights 1948](#)
- [Article 17 The International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights 1966](#)
- [Article 16 The Convention on the Rights of the Child 1989](#)
- [E/CN.4/1990/72: Guidelines for the regulation of computerized personal data files 1990](#)
- [Article 8 Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms 1950](#)
- [Council of Europe: Recommendations and resolutions of the Committee of Ministers](#)
- [Council of Europe: Recommendation No.R\(99\) 5 for the protection of privacy on the Internet 1999](#)
- [OECD Guidance on Policy and Practice: Privacy Online \(book\)](#)
- [OECD Guidelines on Cross-Border Privacy Law Enforcement 2006-ongoing](#)
- [OECD Guidelines for the Security of Information Systems and Networks: Towards a Culture of Security 2002](#)
- [Article 18 The Cairo Declaration on Human Rights in Islam 1990](#)
- [Article 4.3 Declaration of Principles on Freedom of Expression in Africa 2002](#)
- [Article 5 American Declaration of the Rights and Duties of Man](#)

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