# National Center for Personal Data Protection of the Republic of Moldova:

# Needs and Priorities

ENHANCE THE RIGHT TO PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION IN

EASTERN PARTNERSHIP COUNTRIES

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#### Structure of the presentation

1 – National Action Plan for the Implementation of the Moldova - EU Association Agreement (AA) for 2017-2019

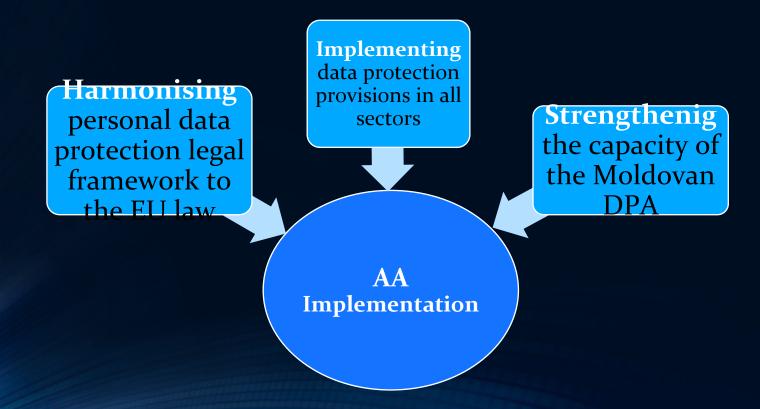
2 – Strategy in personal data protection for 2013-2018

3 - Eastern Partnership cooperation initiatives

#### 1 - National Action Plan for the implementation of the AA

Main objective: Fulfilling the national Action Plan for the implementation of the Association Agreement between the Republic of Moldova and European Union (2017-2019)

Three main levers towards one goal.



#### 2 -National strategy of the personal data protection field for 2013- 2018

Main objective: Implementation of the objectives of the national Strategy in personal data protection domain for the years 2013- 2018 and the Action Plan for its implementation

The National Strategy — main policy document tackling the problems existing in the field of personal data protection, identifying the tools to settle these problems, and analyzing the impact on individuals, in particular, and on the State, in general.

4 main results to be reached:

- 1 Enhanced normative framework
- 2 Modernised registration system
- 3 Aware society on privacy
- 4 Dynamic international cooperation

#### 2.1 – Enhancing the normative framework

- Modernisation of the personal data protection legal framework
- strengthen administrative and institutional capacities of the Moldovan DPA;
- ensure compliance with the European and international standards in the field (ex: Convention 108, GDPR);
- Uniform judicial practice in the personal data protection field;
- Sectorial guidelines for processing of personal data
- -healthcare
- -media
- -electronic communications
- -financial-banking sector

### 2.2 – Modernisation of the registry system

• Register of evidence of personal data controllers – key instrument of the Moldovan DPA.



However – in dire need of modernisation

- The development/adjustment of the Register or establishment of a new information system will contribute to:
- ensuring an adequate level of personal data protection in the Republic of Moldova;
- keeping a centralised database listing the controllers, their personal data filling and information systems;
- ensuring the right to information of the data subjects;
- offering quality services to controllers.

#### 2.3 – Raising awareness

- Raising awareness on the importance of personal data protection
- Target groups :
- Public authorities
- Private companies
- civil society organisations
- media
- youth
- Means brochures, leaflets, information newsletters regarding the importance of personal data protection, as well as regarding the negative effects of violation of principles to protect personal data

#### 2.4 - Cooperating internationally

• International cooperation – transfer of know-how and best practices – Trainings – seminars – study visits – workshops – international conferences

#### **Objective**:

- A more dynamic international cooperation :
- enhance the rate of experience transfer
- make the Moldovan DPA in tune with the latest trends in personal data protection
- Enhance cooperation with **Eastern Partnership countries** walking on a similar road.

## 3 – Eastern Partnership cooperation initiatives

### Two germinating ideas:

(1) - Regional newsletter

(2) - Personal data summer school

#### 3.1 – Personal data protection Newsletter

• Where? Eastern Partnership countries.



• Why? Lack of any source of news and analysis on privacy and personal data protection in the region.

Who?

Personal data protection authorities; Institutions related to this field; Academia; Independent experts;

Target ?

Professional target group



- Personal data protection professionals;Data protection officers;
  - Lawyers etc.
- How? Centralisation of the input from participating institutions and partners.

Results?

Increased compliance
Informed professionals
"Privacy community" of the region.

#### 3.2 – Personal data summer school

Concept? 2-3 weeks summer school for children/students from the Eastern Partnership countries

Where? Different location each year in the 6 Eastern Partnership

Who? Trainers from data protection authorities and specialized staff

Target ? Children/students

Results ? Awareness raising – expertise transfer - regional cooperation

Thank you for your attention!