



Reykjavík Declaration: Nordic Data Protection Authorities met in Iceland

On 15-16 May 2023, the Nordic Data Protection Authorities from Denmark, the Faroe Islands, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden and Åland met in Reykjavík for their annual Nordic Data Protection Meeting.

At the meeting, it was decided to strengthen the cooperation even further by organising additional working meetings, both for commissioners and on the expert level. The DPAs acknowledge that they share common values and can benefit from collaborating even further on specific matters. All the DPAs are faced with a heavy workload and will work together on finding ways to further increase efficiency in their work. This is particularly important given the upcoming EU's Digital Package.

The Nordic DPAs also shared information and exchanged experience on various other subjects, for example the principles on fining, and acknowledged the importance of being able to impose fines on both the public and private sector.

The Nordic Data Protection Authorities agreed, among other things, on the following goals:

1. The DPAs' commissioners agreed to have quarterly remote meetings to discuss their work and combine resources when it comes to creating guidance and organising own volition investigations and audits.
2. The DPAs agreed to continue to explore the possibilities of using a more risk based and data driven process when choosing sectors and subjects for audits, as well as cooperation on a European level in order to exchange knowledge and practical experience.
3. The DPAs decided to establish a forum for analysis and foresight in order to increase the impact of their work.
4. The DPAs decided to exchange more information about their work on handling data breaches.

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