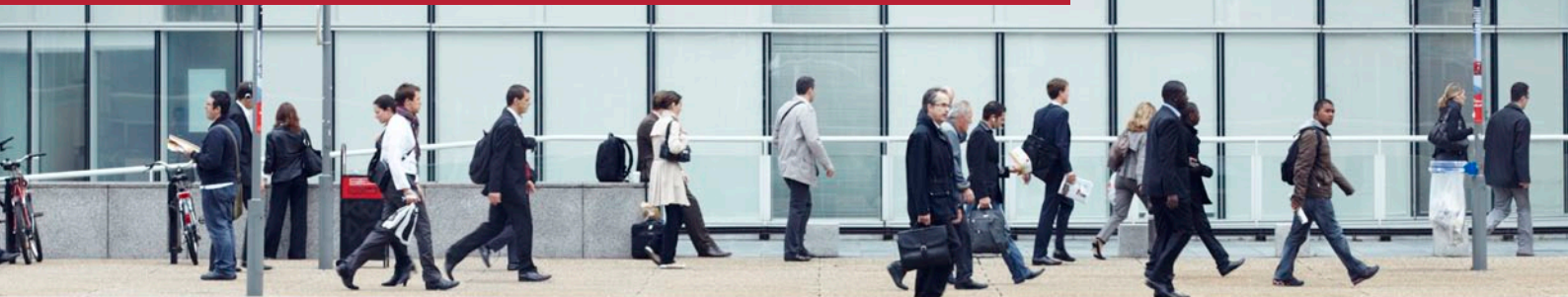


# eDiscovery



Do you need to perform an investigation of internal fraud or are you facing a legal claim or arbitration, where electronic and paper data residing in the company need to be processed, investigated and produced? What data is available in the company?

***Are you able to capture, review and present it effectively to answer following questions:***

Where the accusations really true?

Who else was taking part in the scheme?

How did the illegal activities take place?

*Estimated yearly increase  
of electronic data  
worldwide – 35%*

*Share of electronic  
documents in corporate  
sector increased from 20%  
to 90% in last 15 years*

Electronic discovery (or eDiscovery) refers to any process in which information is sought, located, secured, and searched with the intent of using it as evidence in an internal investigation, civil or criminal legal case or arbitration.

## ***Electronic data which can be used as evidence can take many different forms:***

- electronic communication (emails, instant and text messaging but also voice mail)
- user generated documents: text files, spreadsheets, presentations
- structured data in form of databases or proprietary applications
- internal social or sharing sites: intranet, wikis, blogs
- data on mobile communication devices (PDAs, Blackberries, iPhones)

Despite increasing prevalence of electronic documents paper documents can still form important part of the evidence. By using the latest software we are able to convert vast amounts of paper documents to electronic images which can be catalogued and examined quickly together with the rest of electronic data captured.

Getting the right data is critically important, highly complex, time-consuming and potentially also disruptive to the standard operation of the company. Getting it wrong is not an option. If you need to produce electronic documents, you need a trusted advisor who can provide you with the advice and tools to respond quickly and thoroughly, while minimizing disruption.

## **More than just technology:**

We at PwC pride ourselves on our technological capabilities and ongoing investments in software, hardware and training. But producing electronic discovery is about so much more than just employing sophisticated tools capable of scanning vast numbers of files. It's also about giving you sound advice so you can:

- take immediate action to ensure that no data is lost
- understand data protection limitations and perform the analysis in boundaries set by the local legislation
- correctly document the process in case evidence is used in legal proceedings

Efficiently review vast amounts of data to determine what's relevant.

As one of the world's largest professional services firms, the PwC team has the experience, knowledge and skills supported by current technology to help companies and their counsel understand exactly what's required and then deliver it with minimum disruption.

## **How we can help?**

With PwC you have the best forensic technology advisors at your side, experts who will:

- act immediately upon instruction to identify and map the data universe
- forensically preserve and document potential sources of electronic evidence
- image the acquired data, and use intelligent processing to eliminate duplicate files and extract only the relevant data
- use advanced computer forensic techniques to recover data from various electronic media, including deleted, damaged or hidden data, and do so in a recognisable form
- transform vast amounts of paper documents into electronic images which can be catalogued and examined quickly and effectively
- establish secure, internet-based environments for review of key documents (whether locally or across multiple jurisdictions)
- advise on and, with your concurrence, develop strategies to cull, search and review relevant material and assist in conducting a substantive review

## **Who we are?**

The PwC CEE Forensic Technology Solutions team is a group of dedicated professionals with experience from many local and international assignments in a wide range of industries.

Our state of the art technology and tools are always at your disposal.

We understand the needs of data security and legal limitations concerning the protection of personal data.

We can therefore help you design the most convenient solution while respecting your legal environment.

Our goal is to serve as your investigative, forensic accounting and compliance resource anytime you have an incident or a concern.

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