

Webcast

# Data privacy in Qatar: What you need to know



# With you today



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# Our focus for today

**Welcome**

**Data privacy  
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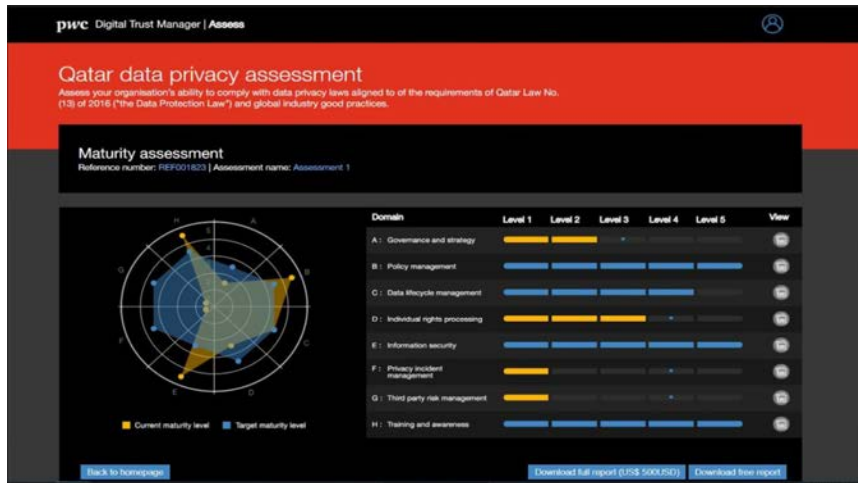
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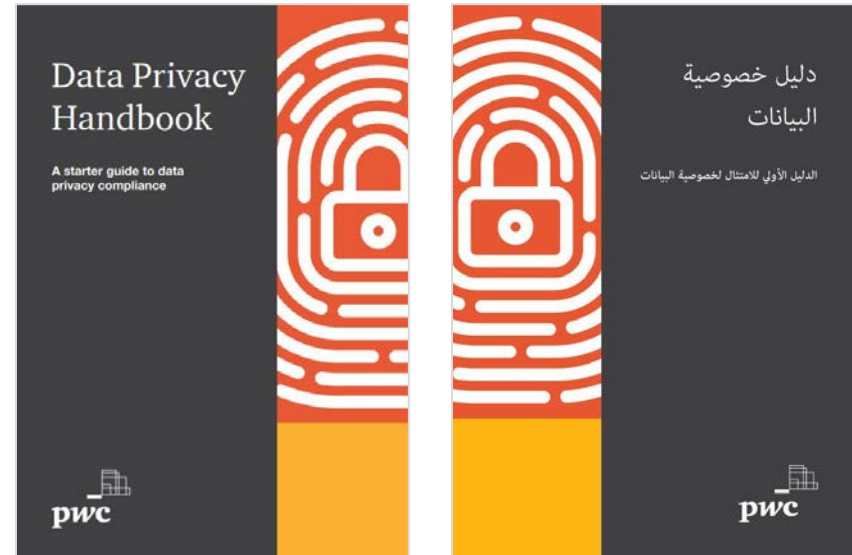
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# Resources

## Qatar data privacy law online self assessment



## Data Privacy Handbook





# Quick poll

- Are you aware about the recent data protection guidelines issued by the MoTC?
- Do you have an existing data privacy programme?

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## Data privacy 101

# Why is data privacy important?

## Competitive advantage

Organisations are finding efficient and economical ways to run their businesses which involve transferring data outside of their jurisdictions and are using data analytics to create new revenue streams.



## Consumer Trust

Organisations need new mechanisms to build consumer trust and confidence as they address emerging challenges in business, risk management, and compliance.



## Interconnected world

Traditional ways of doing business are no longer valid in an increasingly interconnected world, with people and information being spread across multiple countries.



## Privacy regulation

Regulatory bodies are taking an increasingly tough stance on privacy, imposing heavy fines on breaches for violations of individuals right to privacy.



# Data privacy laws in the Middle East



## Constitutional codes

- The constitutions of some Middle East countries recognise the individual's right to privacy under certain conditions.



## Sectoral laws

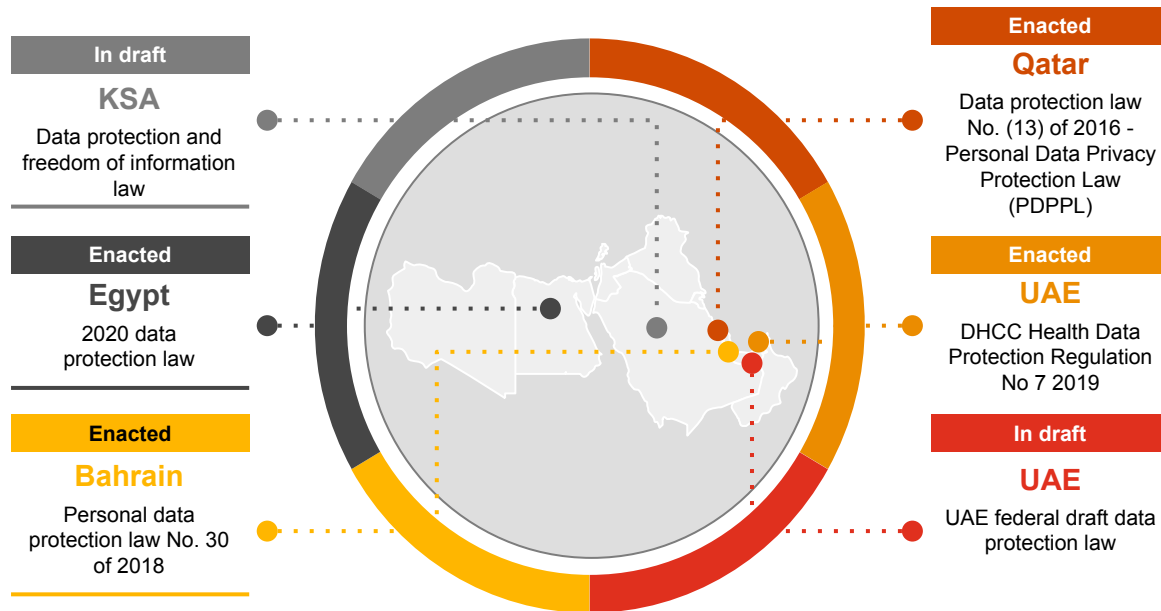
- Elements of privacy are embedded within several laws pertaining to specific industry sectors.



## Imminent laws

- Some countries in the region have drafted privacy laws for a few years which might come into effect in the near future.

## Regulations in the Middle East



With the exception of two GCC countries which have recently enacted data protection laws, overarching privacy laws common in some parts of the world do not exist in the Middle East. However the right to privacy is recognised and afforded to individuals through several means:



# Risks to the organisation

## What risks can the organisation face?

Organisations that fail to protect personal data and comply with data privacy regulations aren't just risking financial penalties. They also risk operational inefficiencies, intervention by regulators and most importantly permanent loss of consumer trust.



### Regulatory

Regulators may require the provision of information, conduct audits, and obtain access to premises if they determine it is necessary.



### Reputational

Non-compliance with the the law could result in brand damage, loss of consumer trust, loss of employee trust and customer attrition.



### Financial & Criminal

Fines and, in some countries potential prison sentences, could be enforced depending on the violation. You may also experience loss of revenue and high litigation and remediation costs.



### Operational

Data subjects can impose data processing bans and order the correction of an infringement. This could result in restricted operations and invalidated data transfers.

# What is personal data?

## Personal data



Personal data is any information that can identify a living person.

### Personal data



Name and surname



ID card number



Online identifiers (e.g. IP addresses)



CCTV footage

### Non-personal data



An organisation's corporate registration number



Mailboxes such as info@pwc.com

## Sensitive personal data



Some personal data is considered **sensitive**, as it could cause serious harm to the individual if leaked or misused.

### Sensitive personal data as per PDPPL



Racial or ethnic origin



Physical or mental health



Political or religious beliefs



Children and family members



Trade union membership



Criminal offences & court proceedings

It's important to differentiate between personal data and sensitive personal data because the processing of sensitive personal data usually requires additional safeguards to be in place.

# How is data privacy affecting organisations?



## Data inventory

Mandatory data inventorying and record keeping of all internal and third-party processing of European personal data.



## Breach notification

Mandatory data-breach notification to regulators and individuals whose information is compromised.



## Right to access

Comprehensive individual rights to access, correct, port, erase, and object to the processing of their data.



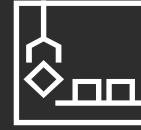
## Impact assessment

Routine data-protection impact assessments for technology and business change.



## Governance

Mandatory data protection officers and an overall rethinking of privacy strategy, governance, and risk management.



## Third parties

How third parties handle personal data represents a risk and administrative burden to update and negotiate contracts.

# Seven key data privacy principles



## Transparency, honesty and respect for human dignity

You should always process personal data in a fair, lawful and transparent manner, in line with the requirements of the applicable data privacy laws.



## Purpose Limitation

You should only process personal data for a specified and lawful purpose. You cannot use the data for another purpose unless conditions are met.



## Data Minimisation

You must ensure you are only processing the personal data which you truly need to conduct your business and nothing more.



## Accuracy

You should ensure personal data is kept up to date, and that necessary measures are in place for correcting and updating inaccurate data.



## Storage Limitation

You must not keep personal data for longer than you need it. It should be securely destroyed after the defined retention period.



## Integrity & Confidentiality

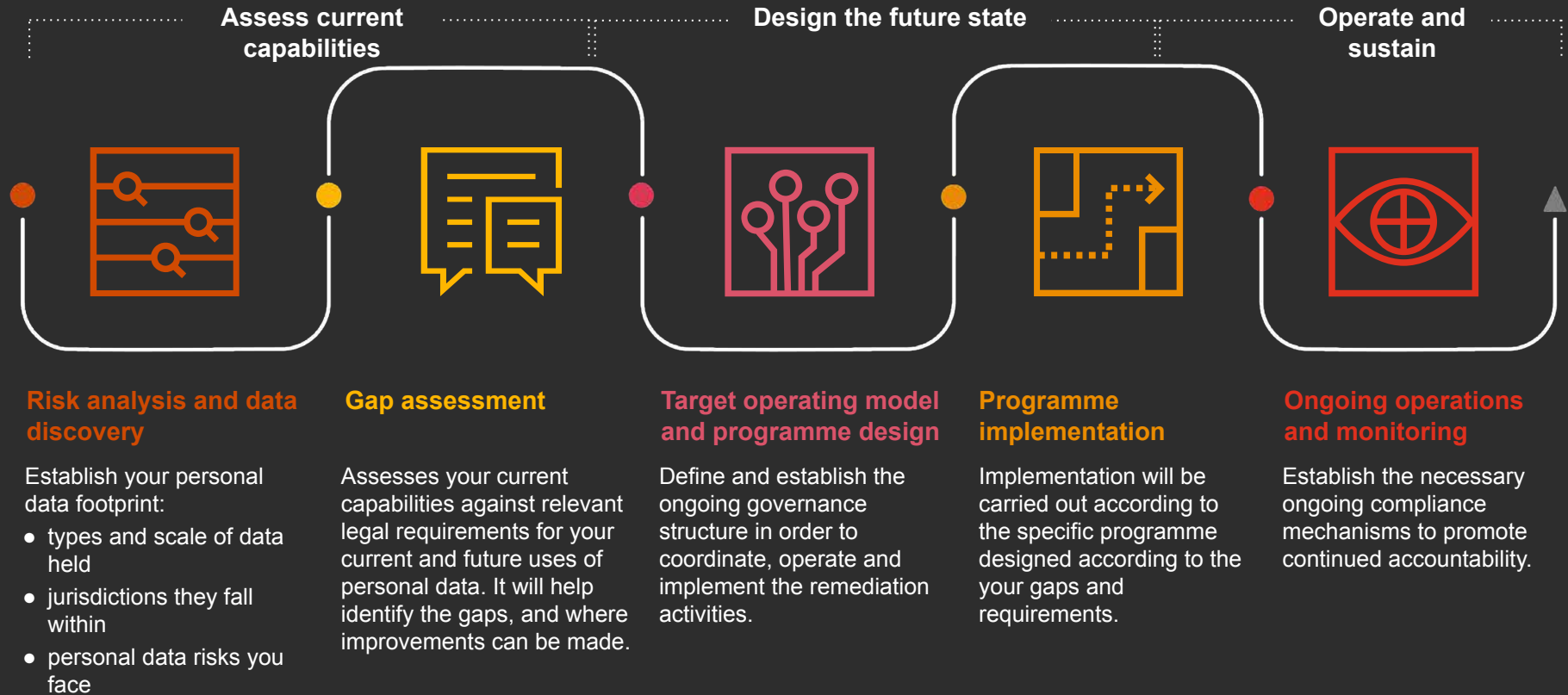
You must implement adequate security controls to ensure that personal data is protected against loss, destruction or damage.



## Accountability

You must have appropriate measures and records in place to be able to demonstrate your compliance.

# Five step approach to compliance



# PwC's data privacy programme

## PwC's data privacy framework



### Strategy, Governance & Accountability

- Data Protection Designation
- Governance Structure
- Training & Awareness



### Data Subject Rights & Processing

- Data subject rights (e.g. Right to Rectification / Right to be Forgotten, Automated Decision - making)



### Privacy Notice & Policy Management

- Policies, Standards & Guidelines.
- Transparent & Concise Communication



### Risk Management & Compliance

- Regulatory Compliance Monitoring
- Risk Identification, Mitigation & Reporting
- Privacy Impact Assessment



### Data Lifecycle Management

- Data Classification, Inventory, Sources, Flow/Maps
- Data Quality
- Privacy by Design (PbD)



### Incident Response & Breach Management

- Breach Identification
- Breach Notification
- Incident Response



### Third Party Risk Management

- Cross-border Transfers & Safeguards
- Contracting
- Monitoring



### Data Security

- Security
- Disaster Recovery, Business Continuity and Backup

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Understanding the  
new data privacy law

# GDPR *versus* Qatar Data Protection Law

Key:

Similar	=
Absent	X
Broader	(C)
Narrower	(C)

Below is a comparison of the PDPPL as against the European Union General Protection Law (GDPR).

	GDPR		PDPPL
<b>Material and Territorial Scope</b>	Personal data <b>collected</b> in the EU / EEA i.e. "EU personal data"	(C)	Personal Data processed in Qatar
<b>Data Subject Rights</b>	Right to access all EU personal data processed	=	Comprehensive rights exist including the right to access, deletion and rectification.
<b>Right to portability</b>	Must provide useable copy of EU personal data to third party	=	Must rectify any inaccurate disclosure of personal data to a third party
<b>Right to stop processing</b>	Right to withdraw consent or otherwise stop processing of EU personal data	=	Right to withdraw consent or otherwise stop processing of personal data
<b>Rights response</b>	1 month with potential extension by 2 additional months	=	30 calendar days with potential extension by 2 additional months
<b>Cross-border transfer</b>	Permitted under specific conditions and if adequate levels of data protection are provided.	(C)	Controllers may not take measures to limit cross-border data transfers unless high risk to privacy or personal data. Controllers should document assessment of potential risk and send notification to regulatory authority.
<b>Governance</b>	Appoint a DPO and a lead supervisory authority under certain conditions. Roles & responsibilities defined by the regulation.	(C)	No registration requirements and no requirement to appoint DPO.
<b>Incident and breach response</b>	Disclosure of incidents and data breaches without undue delay and within 72 hours of the breach	(C)	Controller must report breaches to regulator, CDP of the MOTC, and data subject, where likely to cause damage to data subject.
<b>Penalties</b>	Up to <b>€20m</b> or <b>4% of global annual revenues</b> .	(C)	Fines of between <b>1 million - 5 million QAR</b> .





# Quick poll

- Does your organisation have adequate technical information security controls to protect personal data?
- Do you plan on making any changes to the way your organisation handles personal data in the coming months?



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Ten steps to an effective  
data privacy programme

# Ten steps to an effective data privacy programme

Appoint a Data Protection Officer

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Maintain a personal data register

2



Notify purpose and seek consent

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Respond when individuals ask about their personal data

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Enforce security mechanisms

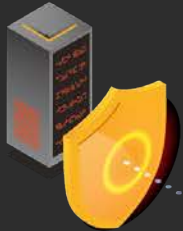
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# Ten steps to an effective data privacy programme

Embed data privacy into your systems, processes and services

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Notify data breaches

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Manage third parties

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Protect personal data when transferring overseas

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Communicate your data protection policies, practices and processes

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Q&A

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