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Cloud Computing



Characteristics:

Rapid cross-border data flow

Unknown/little control over data storage locations

Rapidly changing/loose outsourcing arrangements

Standardised contracts adopted by the cloud service providers





Cloud Computing and Personal Data Privacy

Bottom Line









Mainland's Cybersecurity Law

- Effective on 1 June 2017
- Does not apply in HK



Promote sound development of economic and social informatisation

Guarantee cybersecurity

Objectives [Art. 1] Safeguard cyberspace sovereignty

Protect lawful rights and interests of citizens, legal persons and other orgs.

Safeguard national security and public interest





Mainland's Cybersecurity Law

Scope of Application:

- Apply to the construction, operation, maintenance and use of networks, and the supervision and administration of cybersecurity within China [Art. 2]
- Regulate network operators, i.e. owners and administrators of networks, and network service providers [Art. 76(3)]
- Protect personal information



How May Cybersecurity Law Affect Hong Kong Businesses?

 Processing of personal data by a Hong Kongbased business is regulated by Hong Kong's Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance, but not Mainland's Cybersecurity Law

Unless

Then

 The processing also involves construction, operation, maintenance or use of networks in the mainland of China Both the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance and the Cybersecurity Law may apply to the processing activities







Comparison between Cybersecurity Law and PDPO (

Collection & Use

Cybersecurity Law

Art. 41 (collection & use)

- Follow the principles of lawfulness, propriety and necessity
- Obtain consent from data subjects
- Do not collect personal information irrelevant to services provided
- Disclose related policy and practice
- Clearly indicate the purposes, means and scope of collection and use
- Do not collect or use personal information in violation of agreements with the data subjects

Art. 42 (disclosure)

 Personal information shall not be disclosed to third parties without the data subject's consent

HK PDPO

DPP1 (collection)

- No consent requirement
- Collect data in a lawful and fair way, for a purpose directly related to a function or activity of the data user
- Data collected shall be necessary but not excessive
- Notify data subjects about the purpose of collection, the classes of persons to whom the data may be transferred, and the contact person

DPP3 (use, including disclosure)

 Shall not use personal data for new purposes, unless with prescribed consent of data subjects





Comparison between Cybersecurity Law and PDPO



Security & Data Breach Notification

Cybersecurity Law

Art. 42 (security & notification)

- Adopt technical measures and other measures to ensure security of personal information, and prevent information leakage, damage and loss
- In case of information leakage, damage or loss, take remedial actions immediately, and notify data subjects and the supervisory authority

HK PDPO

DPP4 (security)

- Take all practicable steps to protect personal data against unauthorised or accidental access, processing, erasure, loss or use
- No requirement for data breach notification





Comparison between Cybersecurity Law and PDPO



Cross-border Data Transfer

Cybersecurity Law

Art. 37 (data localisation)

- Personal information and important data collected and produced by operators of critical information infrastructure during their operations in China shall be stored locally
- If cross-border transfer is needed for business reasons, security assessment should be conducted pursuant to the measures stipulated by the Cyberspace
 Administration of China (CAC) and the relevant department of the State Council

HK PDPO

- S. 33 (prohibition against transfer)
- Personal data shall not be transferred to places outside Hong Kong, unless under specified circumstances, e.g.:
 - transfer to White List regions
 - consent by data subjects in writing
 - reasonable precautions taken and due diligence exercised by the data user
- S.33 is not yet in force





What is Critical Information Infrastructure under Cybersecurity Law?

Examples of Critical Information Infrastructure (CII) under Cybersecurity Law:

- Public communications and information services
- Energy
- Transportation
- Water conservancy
- Finance
- Public services
- E-government affairs
- Other infrastructure which will cause serious damage to state security and public interests, in case of destruction, dysfunction or data leakage [Art. 31]





Comparison between Cybersecurity Law and PDPO



Sanctions

Cybersecurity Law

Arts. 64 & 66

- Possible administrative sanctions for a breach:
 - Corrective action
 - Warning
 - Confiscation of illegal income
 - Fine between 1 and 10 times of illegal income (if no illegal income, fine < RMB 1 million)
 - Fine between RMB 10,000 and 100,000 on directly responsible person
 - Suspension or cease of business operation for rectification, or closedown of website, or revoking of business permit or license

HK PDPO

 PCPD has no power to impose administrative sanction

Ss. 50 & 50A

- The Privacy Commissioner may issue an enforcement notice, ordering remedial actions by a data user
- Non-compliance with an enforcement notice may (upon conviction by a court) subject to a fine of HK\$50,000 and imprisonment for 2 years





Information security technology — Personal information security specification 《信息安全技术 个人信息安全规范》

- Implemented on 1 May 2018
- Comprehensive personal data protection standard in mainland China
- Developed with reference to personal data protection guidelines/regulations of OECD, EU and USA
- Recommended good practice organisations that follow the Specification will be taken to have observed the data protection requirements under the Cybersecurity Law
- Provide guidance for compliance with the data protection principles in the Cybersecurity Law









Background

- Keep abreast of overseas privacy law developments
- Assess GDPR's impact on businesses (in particular multi-national organisations)
- Comparable legal framework facilitates free flow of information and commercial activities





Major differences between PDPO and GDPR:

	EU	HK
Application	Data processors or controllers: • processing personal data in the context of activities of EU establishments, or • with an establishment in the EU, or • established outside the EU, that offer goods or services to, or monitor the behaviour of individuals in the EU. [Art 3]	Data users (controllers /processors) who, either alone or jointly or in common with other persons, control the collection, holding, processing or use of the personal data in or from Hong Kong. [s.2(1)]

Cloud service providers with customers/clients in the EU should be mindful of the extra-territorial application of GDPR







Major differences between PDPO and GDPR:

	EU	HK
Personal Data	 "Personal data" means any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person; an identifiable natural person is one who can be identified, directly or indirectly. examples of personal data explicitly identified being extended to include location data and online identifier. [Art 4(1)] 	"Personal data" means any data — • relating directly or indirectly to a living individual; • from which it is practicable for the identity of the individual to be directly or indirectly ascertained; and • in a form in which access to or processing of the data is practicable. [s.2(1)]

Broader definition of personal data under GDPR







Major differences between PDPO and GDPR:

	EU	HK
Accountability and Governance	Risk-based approach; data controllers are required to: • implement technical and organisational measures to ensure compliance [Art 24]; • adopt data protection by design and by default [Art 25]; • conduct data protection impact assessment for high-risk processing [Art 35]; and • (for certain types of organisations) designate Data Protection Officers. [Art 37]	The accountability principle and the related privacy management measures are not explicitly stated. The Privacy Commissioner advocates the adoption of a privacy management programme which manifests the accountability principle. The appointment of data protection officers and the conduct of privacy impact assessment are recommended good practices for achieving accountability.





Major differences between PDPO and GDPR:

	EU	HK
Sensitive Personal Data	Category of sensitive personal data expanded. Processing of sensitive personal data is allowed only under specific circumstances. [Art 9]	No distinction between sensitive and non-sensitive personal data for all purposes.







Major differences between PDPO and GDPR:

	EU	HK
Consent	Consent must be • freely given, specific and informed; • an unambiguous indication of a data subject's wishes, by statement or by clear affirmative action, which signifies agreement [Art 4(1)]; and • given by a child below 16 (or 13) with parental authorisation.	Consent is not a pre-requisite for the collection of personal data, unless the personal data is used for a new purpose.[DPP1&3] For other purposes, where consent is also required, consent means express and voluntary consent. No requirement for parental consent.







Major differences between PDPO and GDPR:

	EU	HK
Breach Notification	Data controllers are required to notify the authority of a data breach without undue delay (exceptions apply). Data controllers are required to notify affected data subjects if it is likely to result in high risk to the rights and interests of the data subjects, unless exempted. [Arts 33-34]	No mandatory requirement, but notification to the Privacy Commissioner (and data subjects, where appropriate) is recommended in the interest of all stakeholders including data users/controllers and subjects.







Major differences between PDPO and GDPR:

	EU	HK
Data Processors	Data processors are additionally obliged to maintain records of processing, ensure security of processing, report data breaches, designate Data Protection Officers, etc. [Arts 30, 32-33, 37]	Data processors are not directly regulated. [s.2(12)] Data users are required to adopt contractual or other means to ensure data processors' compliance. [DPP2(3) & DPP4(2)]

Cloud service providers are likely to be regarded as data processors to their customers under GDPR





Major differences between PDPO and GDPR:

	EU	HK
New and Enhanced Rights for Data Subjects	 Right to notice on data processing. [Art 13-14] Right to erasure of personal data ("right to be forgotten"). [Art 17] 	 Less extensive notice requirements for data users / controllers (processors). No right to erasure, but data shall not be retained longer than necessary. [s.26 & DPP 2(2)]





Major differences between PDPO and GDPR:

	EU	HK
New and Enhanced Rights for Data Subjects (con't)	 Right to restriction of processing and data portability. [Art 18, 20] Right to object to processing (including profiling). [Art 21] 	 No right to restriction of processing and data portability, but data access and correction requests be complied with. [DPP6, Part 5] No right to object to processing (including profiling), but may opt out from direct marketing activities [ss.35G &35L] and PDPO contains provisions regulating data matching procedure. [ss.30-31]







Major differences between PDPO and GDPR:

	EU	HK
Certification, Seals, and Codes of Conduct	Mechanisms are explicitly recognised and established for demonstrating compliance by data controllers and processors. [Art 42]	No formal recognition of certification or privacy seals mechanisms for demonstrating compliance. The Privacy Commissioner may approve and issue code of practice after consultation. [s.12]

Industry resources:

- **Code of Conduct for GDPR Compliance (issued by the Cloud Security Alliance** (CSA) in Nov 2017): https://gdpr.cloudsecurityalliance.org/
- EU Cloud Code of Conduct (May 2017): https://eucoc.cloud/en/home.html







Major differences between PDPO and GDPR:

	EU	HK
Cross-jurisdiction Data Transfer	Certification and adherence to approved codes of conduct are explicitly made one of the legal bases for transfer. [Art 46]	Certification and adherence to an approved code of practice are not explicitly made a legal basis.

Cloud service providers may make use of certification mechanism and/or approved codes of conduct for the transfer of personal data out of EU







Major differences between PDPO and GDPR:

	EU	НК
Sanctions	Data protection authorities are empowered to impose administrative fines on data controllers and processors. [Art 58] Depending on the nature of the breach, the fine could be up to €20 million or 4% of the total worldwide annual turnover. [Art 83]	The Privacy Commissioner is not empowered to impose administrative fines or penalties. The Privacy Commissioner may serve Enforcement Notices on data users, failure to comply with which may attract penalties after judicial process. [s.50]



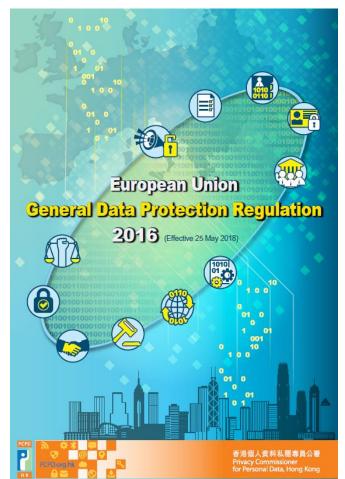


"European Union General Data Protection Regulation 2016" Booklet











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Implications:

US authorities may compel US-based service providers to provide data stored on the latter's servers, regardless of whether that data is stored in the US or a foreign jurisdiction.

United States v Microsoft

(US Supreme Court case)

- Must a US provider of email services comply with a US warrant by disclosing electronic communications within its control even if the communications are stored in non-US jurisdictions?
- The case is moot due to the passage of the Clarifying Overseas Use of Data Act (CLOUD Act) by the US Congress in March 2018.



e-Evidence Regulation of the EU

- Proposed by the European Commission on 17 April 2018
- **Objective**: makes it easier and faster for police and judicial authorities to access the electronic evidence (e.g., emails, texts or messaging apps) they need in investigations
- A judicial authority in one Member State can obtain electronic evidence directly from a service provider (or its legal representative) in another Member State, regardless of the location of data
- Service providers are obliged to respond within 10 days, and within 6 hours in cases of emergency
- Investigators could also require that certain data not be deleted
- A service provider that offers services in the EU <u>but without a presence in the</u>
 <u>EU</u> is still subject to the same obligations





Mishandling of Personal Data

Facebook says data leak hits 87 million users, widening privacy scandal

David Ingram

SAN FRANCISCO (Reuters) - Facebook Inc said on Wednesday the personal informat information it collects. million users, mostly in the United States, may have been improperly shared with polit consultancy Cambridge Analytica, up from a previous news media estimate of more the by Herb Weisbaum / Apr. 19.2018 / 3:08 AM ET

Trust in Facebook has dropped by 66 percent since the Cambridge Analytica scandal

Sixty-five percent of survey respondents say they want Facebook to disclose how it uses the personal



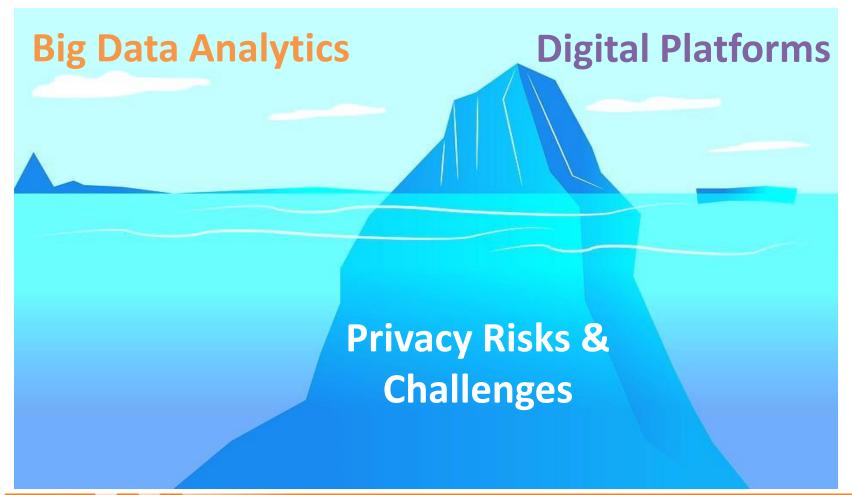


Sources: Reuters; NBC News



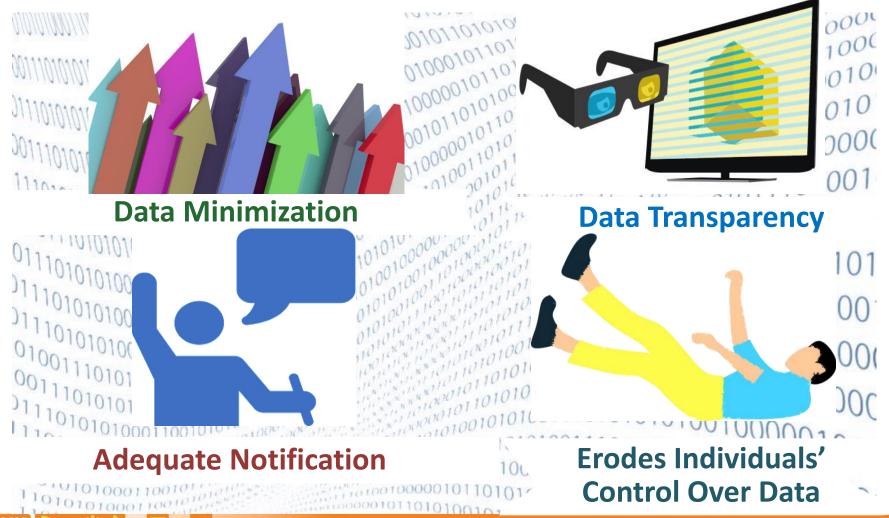


Privacy Risks and Challenges





Ubiquitous and Covert Data Collection





Unpredictable Analytics









X Purpose & Use Limitations





Profiling



Re-identification



Distinction between Personal Data& Non-Personal Data



Inaccurate Inferences and Predictions

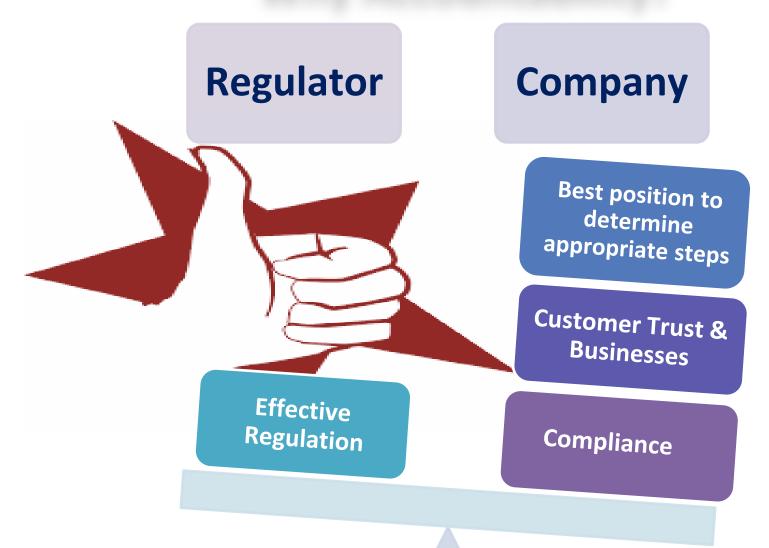


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Interference in Elections...



Why Accountability?







Mechanics of Accountability

Voluntary/Self-Regulatory

or

Mandatory

Accountability?



Education → **Incentivise**





Data Ethics and Trust



- No Surprise to Consumers
 - No Harm to Consumers



Building Confidence and Trust

Short term actions:

Data users

- Be transparent
- Obtain meaningful consent
- Report data security incidents without delay

Medium and long term actions:

Regulators

- Education
- Fair and proactive enforcement
- Updating the law
- Use of certification & trust marks

Data users

- Paradigm shift from compliance to accountability
- Develop privacyfriendly culture
- Ethical processing of personal data



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