

## **5 Questions for Data Privacy Officers**

seeking to address GDPR/PDPL obligations and protect Personal Data everywhere across their organizations

## Personal Data Protection Laws (GDPR/PDPL) heightens the pressure on organizations to professionalize data privacy protection:

Many organizations have appointed Data Privacy Officers (DPO) who now face the complex task of identifying and managing data privacy protection risks.

In addition to determining which data should be collected or deleted DPO's are also responsible for ensuring the adequacy of organization systems to protect data and prevent data breach.

Based on our experience working with companies worldwide seeking to improve their data privacy protections, there are 5 questions that every DPO needs to address to formulate an effective data privacy protection strategy:

- 1 How to uniformly enforce data privacy policies; everywhere?
  - Whether it is stored in databases, contain in on reports on laptops and file servers or accessible via applications, sensitive data needs to be protected everywhere based on defined policy.
- How to isolate sensitive data from the IT organization?

  Many recent data breach incidents have involved compromised or misused IT credentials using system privileges to by-pass protection. Organizations able to isolate sensitive data from their IT organization without impeding technical housekeeping duties make it much harder for attackers to bypass data protection.
- How to deal with legacy systems that don't currently support encryption?

Most organizations rely of newly developed and legacy systems. Not all databases support encryption natively, for others turning on encryption entails additional licence fees. Organizations supporting multiple flavours of database, must also confront the staff issues involved in maintaining skill-base across diverse products

- 4 How to protect encryption keys?
  - Encryption keys and digital certificates need to be protected, rotated and destroyed on a regular basis. How to ensure this is done everywhere and managed in accordance with policy
- How to demonstrate effective data privacy controls are in place?

  DPO's also need to demonstrate to external audiences that data privacy protections are in place and are being following. Audiences include auditors but might also include regulatory authorities.

Sounds horribly complex? It doesn't have to be - if you use the right tools.

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