

Minutes

114th EDPB plenary meeting

20 January 2026 – remote

I. Adoption of the minutes and of the agenda, Information given by the Chair

I.1. Introduction

The Chair informed the EDPB members that, due to conflicting obligations, item B.2.1. would be chaired by the Deputy Chair.

I.2. Draft agenda of the 114th EDPB meeting

The draft agenda was adopted unanimously without modifications.

B. Agenda items for discussion

B.1. Agenda items for discussion in view of adoption

B.1.1. EDPB/EDPS Joint Opinion on the Proposal for a Regulation as regards the simplification of the implementation of harmonised rules on artificial intelligence (Digital Omnibus on AI) (Key Provisions & Technology ESGs)

The EDPB Chair introduced the topic and its background. The EDPS underlined that the Joint Opinion includes a strict yet constructive assessment of the proposed amendments, in line with the commitment in the Helsinki Statement to facilitate, empower and reinforce competitiveness in Europe.

The rapporteurs presented the work done on the Joint Opinion, outlining its structure and main recommendations. The rapporteurs then highlighted two sections of the Joint Opinion, the first concerning the processing of special categories of personal data for bias detection and correction, and the second concerning the extension of regulatory simplifications granted to small and medium-sized enterprises to small mid-caps.

The EDPB members discussed the Joint Opinion and made some modifications to the text.

The EDPB adopted unanimously the Joint Opinion with the agreed amendments and entrusted the drafting team with incorporating them into the final version and with adapting the executive summary of the Joint Opinion to reflect them.

B.2. Agenda items for discussion

B.2.1. Discussion on Supervisory Authorities' competences under the Data Act (Compliance, e-Government & Health ESG)

The Chair introduced the subject and recalled the previous discussions.

The EDPB members agreed on the need to request clarification in the draft Joint Opinion on the Digital Omnibus that SAs competence under Articles 37(3) and 40(4) Data Act are based on their existing competence and responsibilities under the GDPR, and that those provisions do not create new powers for SAs to directly monitor and enforce the Data Act.

Annex: Attendance List

AT SA, BE SA, BG SA, CY SA, CZ SA, DE SA, DK SA, EDPS, EE SA, EL SA, ES SA, FI SA, FR SA, HR SA, HU SA, IE SA, IS SA, IT SA, LI SA, LT SA, LU SA, LV SA, MT SA, NL SA, NO SA, PL SA, PT SA, RO SA, SE SA, SI SA, SK SA,

European Commission

Observers:

- AL SA, BA SA, ME SA, RS SA. In line with Art. 8 of the EDPB RoP, the observers were present during the entire discussions of the Plenary meeting;

EDPB Secretariat