



Brace for Impact:

Why the GDPR Should Remain at
the Top of Directors' Agendas

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About the GDPR - General Data Protection Regulation

- **Fines for breach**
 - ✓ Up to 4% of annual worldwide turnover (or €20 million – whichever is greater)
 - ✓ Applies to all data controllers & processors in the EU, or that target EU citizens
- **DPO** – Data Protection Officer – appointment required
- **Accountability** – companies required to establish/prove accountability for data protection
 - ✓ Regular reviews & assessments of data processing procedures
 - ✓ Minimising data processing & retention
 - ✓ Strong safeguards to protect privacy
 - ✓ All processes must be documented, and approved by directors/senior officers
- **Privacy impact assessments** required for large-scale data processing projects, and privacy should be the design of all data processing projects
- **Explicit, signed, freely given consent** by customers to collect, process, store, and access data
- **New rights for consumers** – they now rights to:
 - ✓ Review data being collected/processed
 - ✓ Revoke consent, and be “forgotten”
 - ✓ Data portability
 - ✓ Object to data profiling
- **Mandatory breach notification** of 72 hours
- **Registration** – data processors must be registered entities

“Evolutionary or Revolutionary?”

- Your answer may show where you are on the “Path to GDPR Enlightenment” (or GDPR Compliance...)



Why Should the GDPR Remain on the Board's Agenda?

New Definition of Consent under GDPR:

*“Any freely given specific informed and **unambiguous indication** of the data subject’s wishes by which he or she by **a statement or by a clear affirmative action**, signifies agreement to the processing of personal data relating to him or her.”*

- New requirements for “consent” could have a dramatic impact on business.
- Many businesses may find the basis on which they are using clients’ data cannot be sustained under GDPR.
- Consents collected prior to GDPR may no longer be acceptable.

Best Practices – Some “Do’s”



DO:

- **Check existing consents:**
 - ✓ “Refresh” if necessary, but beware of dangers!
 - ✓ Review at appropriate intervals
- **Ensure consent is the most appropriate “lawful basis” for processing:**
 - ✓ Contract (best of all?)
 - ✓ Compliance with legal obligation under EU law
 - ✓ Vital interests
 - ✓ Legitimate interests (including commercial benefits)
 - ✓ Public task (Public authorities only)
- **Be specific clear and concise:**
 - ✓ Granular “unbundled” consent required
- **Keep evidence and document processes:**
 - ✓ Maintain a record of when and how consent was obtained
 - ✓ Spreadsheet details not sufficient: need to be specific
 - ✓ Include name of the organisation seeking consent
 - ✓ Make sure processes are properly documented
 - ✓ Compliance must be demonstrated

And some “don’ts” ...



- **Do NOT assume consent is forever** – it’s not!
- **Do NOT use “pre-tick” boxes** or consent by default – active “opt-ins” are required
- **DO NOT EXPOSE YOUR ORGANISATION TO ADMINISTRATIVE FINES:**
 - ✓ Up to €20 million or 4% of the total worldwide annual turnover whichever is higher for “basic principles for processing, including conditions for consent”
 - ✓ (€10 million or 2% for inadequate record keeping)

The Good with the Bad

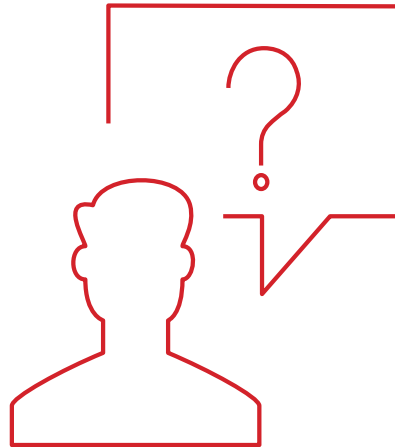


But think of the positives...

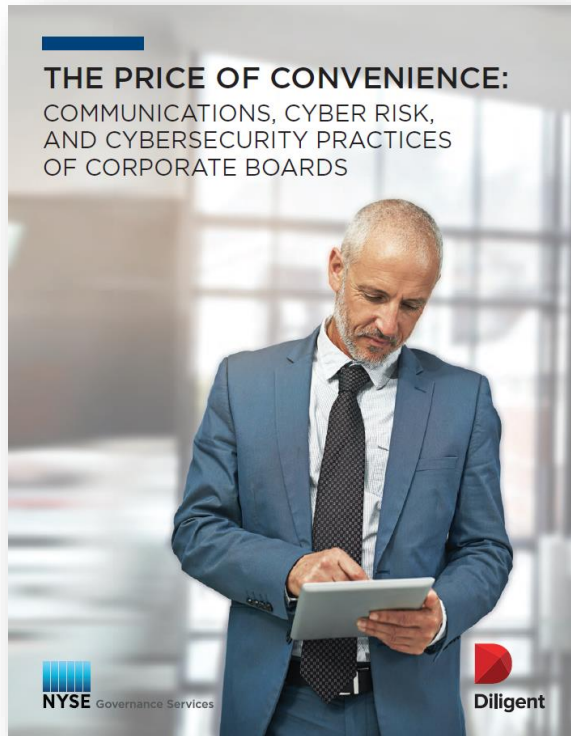
- GDPR provides a licence for business to use data – make this a virtue
- Business relationships can be strengthened and flourish on the basis of mutual trust
- Embrace GDPR – it's not going to go away even post-Brexit!



Are Directors ready for the new cyber landscape of GDPR?



Survey of Director Communication Practices & Cyber-Readiness



Respondents were directors of NYSE companies (n=381)
Survey focused on ►

- **Board Communication Methods**
how sensitive board information is currently managed
- **Effectiveness of Board Communications**
how effective are board communications
- **Awareness**
how aware are directors of the risks inherent in board communications
- **Controls**
what systems do boards currently use to mitigate & manage communications risk

— What methods do directors use to communicate?

92%

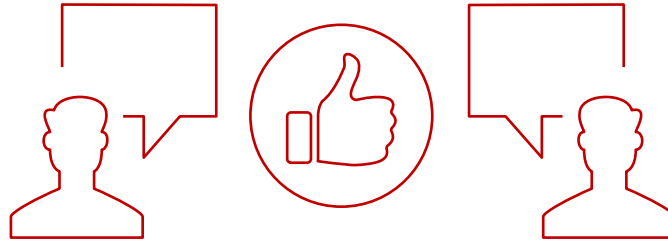
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use personal email
to communicate
with fellow
directors &
management
.....

— How often do directors download board books or company documents onto personal computer or devices?

54%

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Half the time
.....

Who sanctions directors' communication methods?



8%

IT, IS or Data
Security Team

15%

Legal or
Corporate
Secretary

16%

Audit or Risk
Committee

27%

Board Chair or
Lead Director

5%

"No one"

— Has the board conducted a security audit of its communications practices?

68%

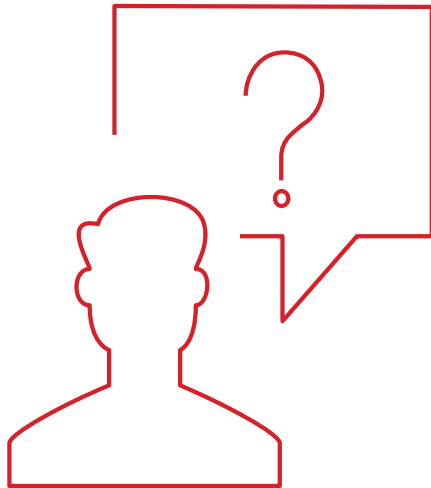
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“Don’t Know” or
“Management sees to
this aspect”
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— Are directors required to participate in cybersecurity training?

62%

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Said "No"
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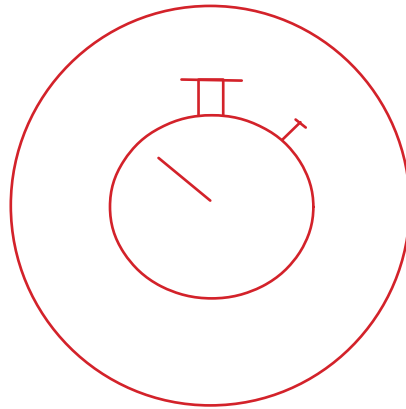


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It's Time for a New Strategic Partnership – The Board & IT



Considerations for Directors



As an organisation's data becomes **more accessible via mobile devices and the cloud**, it is essential for the organisation have **strategic measures that ensure data is properly protected.**

- Security oversight of information repositories & access to those repositories
- Good governance
 - ✓ Identification of information held and the specific locations of such information
 - ✓ Who has access to the information and what the individual can do with the information (copy, attach to email, print etc.)
 - ✓ CTO/CISO providing access to the board
 - ✓ Appointment of a DPO (with direct accountability to the board)
 - ✓ Good data handling training program specifically for directors

Info Security Team & Directors – Strategic Partners

To ensure GDPR compliance, the board cannot afford to assume “IT will handle this”

- Reduce the false reliance on “software” to handle GDPR compliance
- Increase directors’ understanding of the company’s data security posture, programs, testing, and auditing
- Ensure directors are kept informed as incidents come to light – not only after a breach has been remediated
- Cyber risk insurance isn’t enough

Encourage Directors to Use Encrypted Tech



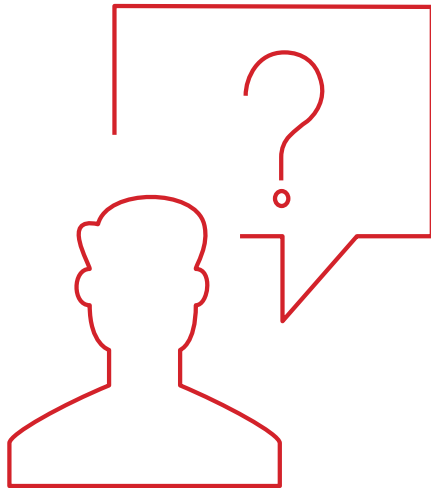
The time has never been better to digitise the governance process.



- Digital board papers can be encrypted, controlled, archived, tracked, and wiped from lost/stolen mobile devices
- Secure messaging apps can help directors communicate through closed-loop, encrypted channels – rather than through unsecured personal email accounts
- Taking board information online means directors have a verifiable record demonstrating their accountability – dates/times of reports can be cross-referenced with director login data



Questions & Discussion



What's on Your Mind?