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The European data protection authorities, assembled in the Article 29 Working Party (WP29) at its Plenary meeting of 16 and 17 September 2014, addressed the consequences of the ruling of the Court of Justice of the EU concerning the right to be 'de-listed' from search engine results and adopted an opinion on the Internet of Things which will contribute to the discussions on this topic at the International Conference of Data Protection and Privacy Commissioners in October (see separate press releases on these two matters).

Moreover, the following documents were adopted:

- A statement on the results of the Justice and Home Affairs EU Council meeting of June 2014 concerning Chapter V of the **draft EU Data Protection Regulation**;
- A statement on the development of **big data** and its impact on data protection.

Also, the authorities agreed on positions to be communicated to the following companies:

- to **Google**, on measures to ensure compliance of its **new privacy policy**;
- to **Microsoft**, concerning its **service agreement**.

The authorities also agreed on concerns to be expressed in letters to the following bodies:

- to the International Association of Travel Agents (IATA) and other stakeholders, regarding IATA's New Distribution Capability;
  to the OECD, the G20 and EU Institutions, about the OECD's Common
- to the OECD, the G20 and EU Institutions, about the OECD's Common Reporting Standard, as well as to the OECD on its Effective Approaches on High-Level Principles of Financial Consumer Protection;
- to the International Organisation of Securities Commissions (IOSCO), concerning its Multilateral Memorandum of Understanding.

All these documents will soon be available on the <u>WP29 website</u>.

**Other issues, for discussion on the agenda**, include: the Trade in Services Agreement (TiSA); Safe Harbor; BCR and CBPR; international enforcement cooperation and practical cooperation between DPAs; a common methodology for audits; a cooperation procedure for the assessment of ad hoc cloud agreements; remotely piloted aircraft systems; follow-up to the internal consultation on possible improvements for the WP29's methods and organisation.

## **Background information**

The Article 29 Working Party on the Protection of Individuals with regard to the Processing of Personal Data is an independent advisory body on data protection and privacy, set up under Article 29 of the Data Protection Directive 95/46/EC. It is composed of representatives from the national data protection authorities of the EU Member States, the European Data Protection Supervisor and the European Commission. Its tasks are described in Article 30 of Directive 95/46/EC and Article 15 of Directive 2002/58/EC. The Article 29 Working Party is competent to examine any question covering the application of the data protection directives in order to contribute to the uniform application of the

directives. It carries out this task by issuing recommendations, opinions and working documents.