

Attila PÉTERFALVI

President

National Authority for Data Protection and Freedom of
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- **Personal data**, Place and date of birth Budapest, 29.03. 1957
- **Education**
 - 1971-1975 Veres Pálné High School, Budapest
 - 1976-1981 Budapest, Eötvös Loránd University Faculty of Political Science and Law (Diploma cum laude)
 - 1983 Lawyer's examination
 - 1998 Postgraduate specialization in foreign trade law
 - 2009 PhD graduate at the Zrínyi Miklós National Defence University
- **Work experience**
 - 1981-1983 Department of Administration, Executive Committee Veszprém City Council
 - 1984-1986 Public Roads Directorate Veszprém City Council
 - 1988–2001 Attorney of law, Law Firm of Péterfalvi and Partner (civil cases)
- **Other positions and appointments**
 - 2012- President of the National Authority for Data Protection and Freedom of Information
 - 2008-2011 Head of the Office of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Civil Rights
 - 2001-2007 Parliamentary Commissioner for Data Protection and Freedom of Information
 - 1996-2001 Consultant of the Hungarian Parliamentary Commissioner for Data Protection and Freedom of Information
 - 1996-2000 Member of the Court of Arbitration for the Hungarian Artisan Chamber
 - 1987-1988 Invited consultant by the Central Statistical Bureau on the draft of the first privacy bill
 - 1991 NATO scholarship for a project „Freedom of Information, Data Protection and Individual Rights”
 - 1986- College Docent (Associate Professor), lecturer Budapest Corvinus University, Faculty of Public Administration
 - 2006- Honorary Professor, Károli Gáspár University of the Reformed Church in Hungary, Faculty of Law and Political Sciences Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Faculty of Law and Political Sciences
 - 2009- Guest Professor, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine Kyiv University of Law
- **Publications:** Author of 50 publications in Hungarian and English language (books, articles, university notes, articles and lectures on the institute of the ombudsman, data protection, freedom of information, human rights and civil law)
- **Language skills:** State certificate of proficiency in English
- **Human rights related activity**
 - 2001-2007 Member of the Article 29 Data Protection Working Party, Participant of several international human rights (ombudsman) conferences, Initiated and launched several common investigation with the Parliamentary Commissioner for Civil Rights on various human rights-human dignity issues
 - 2007 Acting Commissioner for Civil Rights
 - 2008-2011 Head of the Parliamentary Commissioners' Office
- **Social activity:** Member of Széchenyi Lions Club in Budapest, Co-founder of Iustitia Regnorum Fundamentum Prize