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GDPR: Compliance, Current Hot Topics and Focus on DSARs

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There are many pitfalls to avoid when dealing with data protection compliance and DSARs. This Masterclass will bring you fully up to speed with the latest information in this complex area.

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Overview

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) compliance is a minefield of risks and pitfalls that can be very time consuming and costly for your business. The expert speaker, Mark Weston, will take you through the core concepts and principles, aswell as the more complex areas of rights, data breaches and extra-territorial transfer.

The course has a special focus on the intricacies of how to deal with DSARs, including charges, what needs to be disclosed, and how to deal with post-disclosure problems if they arise. This Masterclass will bring you right up to date with all the latest topics in this increasingly complex area.

During this practical course there will also be time for you to ask your questions to the expert trainer.

Presenters firm

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Weston Legal is a leading specialist boutique firm specialising in Commercial law, Technology law, Media law, Intellectual Property law, Data law and Regulatory law and practice. From its founding, the firm has always committed to provide a fast and efficient service wherever its clients operate. As its business has grown and diversified, it has recognised the strength and importance of the principles held by its people; putting clients first and operating as one team to realise its goals and share its success. These principles have formed the foundation of its culture and the way its lawyers interact with one another and the firm's clients. They are what distinguish it and are vital to its future.

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Mark also operates as a leading consultant to Hill Dickinson LLP, a leading and award-winning international law firm with offices in London, Liverpool, Manchester, Leeds, Birmingham, Piraeus, Singapore, Monaco and Hong Kong. As a full service law firm, it delivers advice and strategic guidance spanning the full legal spectrum from non-contentious advisory and transactional work, to all forms of dispute resolution. The firm is on the panel of a number of national and international organisations and regularly competes against many of the City firms. In recent months, they have been able to win a number of panel reviews against City firms.

To find out more out what Mark can do for you via Hill Dickinson, please contact him via www.hilldickinson.com

Benefits of attending

By attending this event you will:

- Gain a solid overview of the principles and rationale of GDPR
- **Understand** the impact of data breaches and non-compliance
- **Learn** how to achieve compliance within your business
- Consider the intricacies of ICO guidance on DSARs
- **Identify** and avoid the pitfalls in dealing with DSARs
- **Master** how to deal with post-disclosure issues
- **Get up-to-date** with the latest GDPR hot topics

Who should attend?

This Masterclass has been designed specifically for:

- In-house lawyers
- Private practice lawyers
- Compliance officers
- Board members

Plus anyone who uses or possesses personal data.



Programme

GDPR overview, general compliance and the latest hot topics

- GDPR the latest updates
- GDPR rationale
- Core concepts
- GDPR 1: Widening
- GDPR 2: Principles and bases
- GDPR 3: Rights
- GDPR 4: Data breaches
- GDPR 5: Other rules
- GDPR 6: Extra-territorial transfer
- Impact of non-compliance
- Achieving compliance and BaU
- Questions

Special focus on Data Subject Access Rights (DSARs)

- The basics: Article 15, Recitals 63-64
- ICO guidance
- Who is responsible to comply?
- Dealing with DSARs in 9 steps:
 - 1. Is it a DSAR?
 - 2. Who is making the DSAR?
 - 3. Check those time limits!
 - 4. Is the DSAR sufficiently clear?
 - 5. Can you charge for this work?
 - 6. Identify what needs to be disclosed
 - 7. Communicate the information
 - 8. Deal with post-disclosure issues
 - 9. Dealing with post-disclosure problems
- Key main issues
- ICO and DSARs
- Questions

Presenter



Mark Weston

Mark Weston has run his own law firm, Weston Legal, since 1 January 2024. He is also a consultant at Hill Dickinson LLP where he joined in February 2016 as a partner and Head of its Commercial, TMT & IP Practice. Before that, he was a partner and Head of the Commercial/IP/IT Team at Matthew Arnold & Baldwin LLP and before that, he spent several years at Baker & McKenzie in London and Chicago and has also previously been seconded to Hewlett Packard and other technology businesses. He changed role to become a consultant in Hill Dickinson's London office in January 2024.

Expertise: Mark's practice covers both non-contentious and contentious matters in all areas of commercial law, intellectual property law, information technology law, Internet, electronic commerce and on-line services law. He specialises in commercial and Tech issues. Mark is used as a 'trusted adviser' by many clients in all sorts of businesses and often acts as 'private practice in-house counsel' for many clients. He specialises in tech and internet businesses.

Clients: Just some of Mark's more well-known clients include Elstree Film Studios, RTL Group S.A., Sykes Cottages, Retailcorp Brands LLC, The Gulf Marketing Group, Moneynetint Limited and the BBC.

Some detail: Mark has extensive experience in advising clients on all manner of commercial matters (such as business planning and solutions, franchising, distribution, agency and marketing) through branding and intellectual property exploitation and licensing, to advice and documentation regarding hardware and software issues (such as development, licensing, maintenance and distribution, SaaS and cloud, Internet transactional solutioning, B2B, B2C and B2G electronic commerce, S-commerce and M-Commerce, social media, outsourcing, facilities management, procurement, IT policies, data protection (privacy), GDPR and freedom of information issues as well as artificial intelligence (AI)). He has a particular expertise in new digital business and revenue streams. He is also experienced in dealing with software disputes and IT litigation. The increasingly extensive media side of his practice relates primarily to publishing (both real world and digital content), to games and gaming platforms (and particularly transmedia technologies), advising companies about their advertising onscreen, online and in print and managing their public communications strategies generally (dealing with the CMA and ASA in the process) – and also a smattering of television, film and music exploitation. Recently he has been very active in AI advice.

More unusual:

Mark has previously spent several months on secondment to Hewlett Packard and he has also been seconded to assist in the legal problems arising in new technology companies such as Symbian. From 2000 to 2001, Mark was resident in the Chicago office of Baker & McKenzie advising US clients on European and UK aspects of IT and electronic commerce law and practice.

Mark is the author of the *Legal Practice Companion*, a parallel text book used at several law schools, the editor of the *IP and Media Law Companion* as well as the rest of the Companion series of books published by Bloomsbury Professional, Tottels, Cavendish Publishing and Oxford University Press. He has noted numerous reports for the *IT Law Reports* and is widely published in *Computing, Computers & Law, Computer Law & Security Report, IT Law Today, Intellectual Property World, Solicitors Journal* and many other journals both online and offline. Mark has also authored articles syndicated in the national and trade press and is regularly quoted in national newspapers and is heard on radio as an expert in his fields. Mark is the author of the *Business Names on the Internet* chapter in the *PLC Ecommerce Manual as* well as numerous other articles on various Commercial & IT law topics.

Mark lectures regularly on all Commercial, IP and IT law topics, including at the IBC IT 'Summer School' Programme in Cambridge, England; the Falconbury and MBL two-day and three-day Commercial Contracts seminars (run several times a year) and IT Contracts seminars (run three times a year) in London; and he has previously lectured at the Annual On-line & Internet Commerce Law Institute seminar in Chicago and tutored at University College London. He also runs a programme of bespoke training schemes on commercial law, IP law, IT law, Al law and data law as well as soft skills programmes such as negotiation skills and presentation skills.

Finally, you may have seen that Mark likes blogging and writing books, which are available at all good bookshops! He also appears regularly on BBC1 (usually providing advice on-screen to BBC Watchdog) and also on Sky News as a legal commentator, as well as trying to avoid the huge quantity of pink powder the TV make-up girls want to apply to his increasingly receding hairline.

Course dates

9 June 2025 Live online **GBP 400** 09:30-13:00 **UK (London)** (UTC+01) **EUR 560 USD 640** Course code 14772

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