

THE EVOLUTION - EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION LAW IN SUMMARY		
1948	Universal Declaration of Human Rights	UN after the WWII
1950	European Convention of Human Rights	Enforced in 1953 – ECHR empowered to enforce
1957	Treaty of Rome	Formation of the EEC – Free movement, services & capital – Harmonisation measure.
1973 - 74	Resolution 72/22 and 74/29	Principles for the protection of personal data – automated data banks in the public and private sectors.
1979	General Data Protection Laws	Enacted in 7 member states
1980	OECD Guidelines	Protection of privacy and transborder flows of personal data
1981	Council of Europe 'Convention 108'	Reaffirms 1973 & 74 resolutions – First international binding DP instrument
2009	Abolished the EC, Formed the EU Institutions	Treaty of Lisbon
1995	Data Protection Directive 95/46/EC	Further reconciled the protection of fundamental rights with free flow of data between member states (harmonisation measure)
2000	eCommerce Directive	Certain legal aspects of Information Society Services
2000	Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU	Further consolidated fundamental rights with specific reference to DP
2007	Treaty of Lisbon	Strengthen and improve the core structures of the EU
2016	Regulation (EU) 2016/679 GDPR	Protection of personal data and the free movement of such data

Treaty of Lisbon

- Made the 2000 Charter binding law.
- Established the European Data Protection Supervisor