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[News Article: European rules on data protection will still loom large despite Brexit](#)

In 2018 the General Data Protection Regulation was introduced which shone a light on how businesses handled information about employees and customers. Four years on, use of personal information continues to present challenges for business, particularly with the UK Government revisiting data protection laws to look at simplification

[ICO News: Statement in response to openDemocracy's letter](#)

John Edwards responds to openDemocracy's open letter around the Freedom of Information Act

[News Article: EU Digital Markets Act Is GDPR-like in Scope, Focuses on Big Tech "Gatekeeper" Platforms and Messaging Interoperability](#)

Legislation that is moving forward in Europe will put strict new regulations on Big Tech, the broadest bill of this nature that has been adopted since the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) went into effect in 2018.

[News Article: Hackers Able To Obtain Private User Data From Apple, Meta via Forged Law Enforcement Data Requests](#)

When law enforcement agencies want to obtain user data from big tech platforms without a court order, they can submit "emergency data requests" in cases that involve imminent risk of serious physical injury or death. This widely practice likely to face greater public scrutiny with the revelation that hackers were able to forge these data requests and make off with protected user data from Apple and Meta in mid-2021.

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