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**INTERPRETATION  
AND APPLICATION  
OF THE DPO'S "EXPERT  
KNOWLEDGE OF  
DATA PROTECTION LAW  
AND PRACTICES"**



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***The DPO's “expert knowledge of data protection law and practices”***



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# Origins of the DPO role



- German Federal Data Protection Act (BDSG) 1977
- New Zealand Privacy Act 1993
- Data Protection Directive 95/46/EC

What are the risks of poor DPO expertise?



# DPOs in EU institutions pre-GDPR



# The DPO as a team



# What are employers looking for?

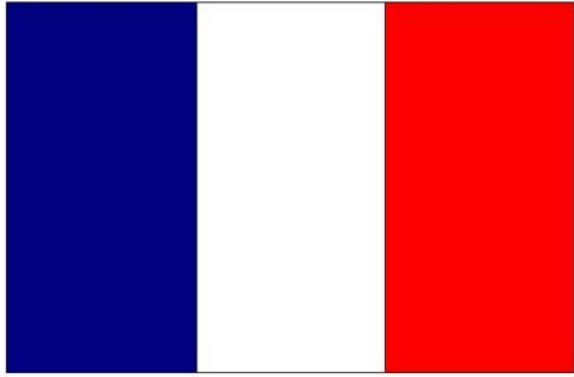
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# Post-GDPR national DPO certification standards





# Other DPO certification programmes



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und Datensicherheit e.V.



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# What do we need?



# Queries?



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