

## **New Frontiers in Data Rights**

**6 December 2022**

**11:00 – 15:00**

**U-Residence, VUB, Brussels**

**Organised by ALTEP-DP**

Data subject rights are a key element of European data protection law. They can operate as a driver for data protection law enforcement, while being particularly vulnerable to any failures of data protection compliance. They are often at the forefront of tensions between the different actors of data protection – data subjects, data controllers, and the data protection authorities that are regularly confronted with very significant amounts of related complaints.

This workshop will explore some uncertain and contested issues currently surrounding the exercise of data subject rights. It is organised in the context of the '*Articulating Law, Technology, Ethics & Politics: Issues of Enforcement and Jurisdiction of EU Data Protection Law under and beyond the GDPR*' (ALTEP DP) project.

11:00-12:30 - Panel 1: **Synchronising data rights: An inevitable approach, or borderline practice?**

This panel is devoted to the potential and limitations of collective exercises of data subject rights, and the way in which technology can play a role in this area. It will consider questions such as: Which technological solutions that can help empowering data subjects in the exercise of their rights, and are they being used? Which specific legal challenges are triggered by these approaches? While solutions for controllers to automate responses to access requests increasingly abound in the market, is it possible (or desirable) to restrict the use of automated means to submit requests?

Moderator: Gloria González Fuster (VUB)

Confirmed speakers: Cristiana Teixeira Santos (Utrecht University School of Law), René Mahieu (VUB), Liesa Boghaert (time.lex), Benny Rolle (University of Goettingen).

12:30-13:30: Light lunch.

13:30-15:00 - Panel 2: **Data subject rights & damage claims: What do we (not) know?**

What do we know about the possibility to claim damages following an unsuccessful request for the exercise of data subject rights? How does the answer depend on the Member State at stake? Are we witnessing a split between different national practices? If so, how to explain divergent interpretations, and what is the role of the courts and of data protection authorities in sustaining them? And how could this affect GDPR enforcement generally?

Moderator: Michalina Nadolna Peeters (EDPS)

Confirmed speakers: Tim Walree (Radboud Universiteit), Suzanne Vergnolle (Le Cnam), Peter Hense (Spirit Legal).

**Registration is required to attend this workshop, you can register [here](#)**