Transfer

MANAGING PRIVACY RISK ASSOCIATED WITH GLOBAL TRANSFERS OF PERSONAL DATA THROUGH A USER FRIENDLY AND FLEXIBLE LEGAL TECH SOLUTION

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Global data transfers are a daily occurrence for many businesses, with increased reliance on international supply chains and intra-group data sharing, with many cloud vendors based in the US and other third countries.

Following the Schrems II judgement of Europe's highest court, businesses transferring personal data from Europe or the UK to a third country must first carry out a transfer impact assessment (TIA), on a case-by-case basis, of the level of protection provided in that third country. Meeting the requirements of Schrems II is a challenge even for the most sophisticated and well-resourced organisations.

Transfer has been developed to streamline the process of carrying out TIAs, providing a clear step-by-step methodology by which data exporters and importers may logically and consistently assess problematic laws and practices in ‘third countries’, the level of safeguards in place and the severity and likelihood of harm as a result of public authority access when transferring personal data.

Transfer's methodology uses a scoring matrix and weighted assessment criteria to help manage effective and consistent decision making. Our extensive library of comparative assessments of third country laws and practices is also available within the toolkit.

Transfer has the following key components

- A ‘five step’ assessment methodology. Designed to help conduct standard assessments consistent with Schrems II, GDPR and current regulatory guidance.
- A library of country specific comparative assessments developed in conjunction with local counsel which provides an ‘essential equivalence’ assessment of the privacy and surveillance laws in over 60 countries. This removes the need to ask data importers to advise on laws and practices which they are generally poorly equipped to do. Our comparative assessments provide comfort to data exporters and simplify vendor onboarding questionnaires, reducing the complexity of procurement processes.
- User friendly interface, allowing you to quickly complete and record assessments consistent with the principles of accountability in the GDPR.
- Modular approach, providing the flexibility to buy Transfer as you need it; from the basic tool, to multiple country assessments supported by our maintenance service to ensure assessments keep up to date with evolving laws and practices.
- Global coverage and local expertise provided by DLA Piper’s award winning Data Privacy team comprising more than 180 specialist lawyers globally including several lawyers who were closely involved in the Schrems II litigation.

Transfer is easy to use

User friendly interface with legal design features

Transfer provides an immediate view of inherent risk across 60 countries and allows organisations to quickly and consistently calculate residual risk for specific transfers.

Transfer is secure

Transfer uses Microsoft® Word and Excel. No other third party software was used in development.

Transfer is cost effective

Low upfront cost. Low ongoing charge for update service.

For more information visit our Transfer web page or contact your usual DLA Piper contact or email TransferEnquiries@dlapiper.com
The five step process

**Step 1** Identify Data Flows
- Data mapping focused on Schrems II criteria
- Facilitated by existing requirements (RoPA, SCCs, DPIAs etc)
- Scope to aggregate common transfers

**Step 2** Assess Legal Regime
- Assess supplementary measures impacting the transfer:
  - Contractual
  - Technical
  - Organisational

**Step 3** Supplemental Measures

**Step 4** Harm to data subjects
- Consider severity and probability of harm to data subjects
- Ensures that the assessment takes account of the particularities of the data and recipient

**Step 5** Final Decision report
- Overall risk assessment
- Determine if transfer may safely proceed
- Document findings for accountability, re-certification and audit

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**Standardised assessment model**

**Inherent risk score**

**Residual risk score**

**Calibrated risk score**

**Final risk score**
Member State of the European Economic Area. Transfers of personal data within the EEA are not subject to Schrems II restrictions.

Countries which the European Commission has recognised as providing adequate protection. Transfers from the EEA or the UK to these countries are not subject to Schrems II restrictions. Similarly, transfers from the UK to EEA Member States are not subject to Schrems II restrictions.

Third countries included in the DLA Piper Transfer library of comparative assessments. Transfers from the EEA or the UK to these countries are subject to Schrems II restrictions unless an Article 49 derogation applies.

Not yet covered by Transfer. We are adding new comparative assessments all the time.

Important note: This page is a high level summary of a complex area of law. It is not legal advice and should not be relied upon as such. Whether specific transfers (including those within the EEA and UK) are subject to Schrems II requirements will depend on a number of factors. Localisation within the EU or UK does not necessarily take the processing out of scope of Schrems II.