

Schrems II & the Invalidity of the Privacy Shield







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## 01. Introduction:



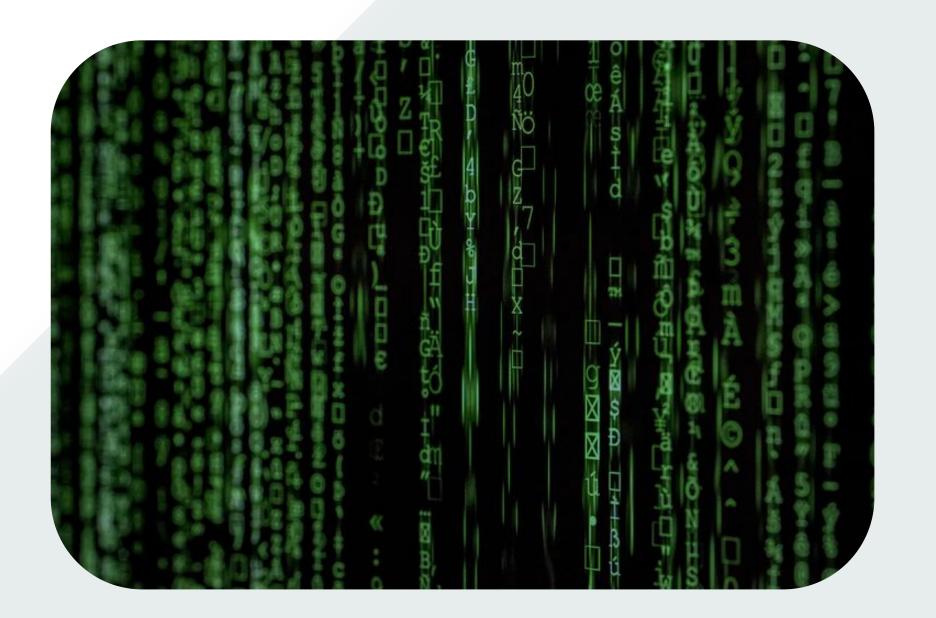
GDPR prohibits the transfer of data to countries that are not part of the European Union, unless there is an adequate guarantee of security or it is within one of the cases included in the regulations.



The Privacy Shield guaranteed the security of international transfers to those US companies that had been certified.

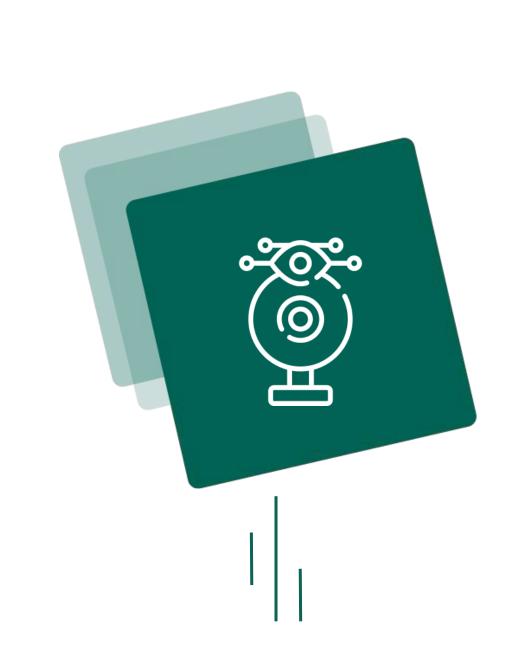


The Schrems II ruling has declared the Privacy Shield invalid, which is a change for international data transfers between the European Union and the United States.



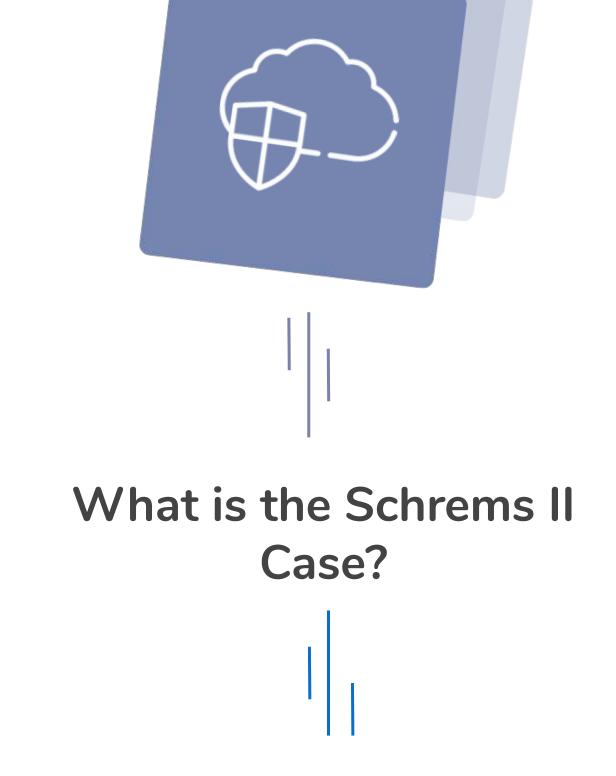
## 01. Content





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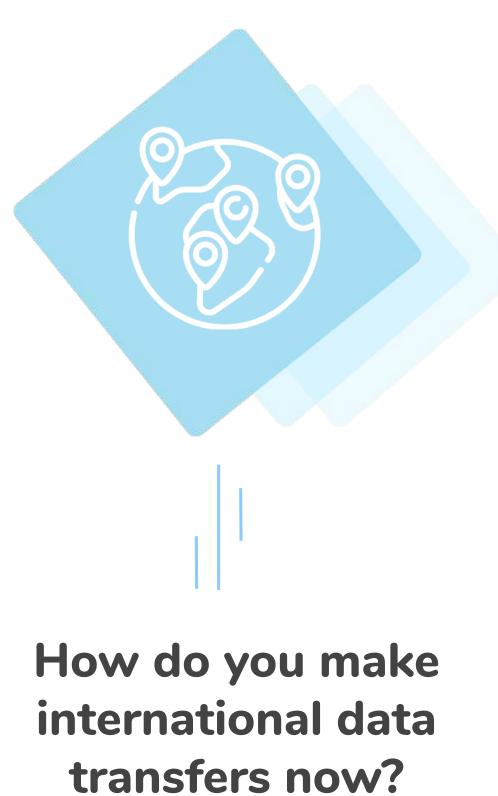
data transfers?





Standard contract clauses. Are they still valid?

What is Privacy Shield and why is it no longer valid?





## 02. Starting point: International data transfers



The GDPR primarily applies to controllers and processors located in the European Economic Area (the EEA) with some exceptions.

#### 1. What is the scope of the GDPR?

- Individuals risk losing the protection of the GDPR if their personal data is transferred outside of the EEA.
- On that basis, the GDPR restricts transfers of personal data outside the EEA, or the protection of the GDPR, unless the rights of the individuals in respect of their personal data is protected in another way, or one of a limited number of exceptions applies.
- A transfer of personal data outside the protection of the GDPR (which we refer to as a 'restricted transfer'), most often involves a transfer from inside the EEA to a country outside the EEA.

"The GDPR restricts the transfer of personal data to countries outside the EEA, or international organisations.

These restrictions apply to all transfers, no matter the size of transfer or how often you carry them out."



## 02. Starting point: International data transfers (II)



#### 2. What is an international data transfer?

International data transfers involve a flow of personal data to third countries outside the European Economic Area. That is, where GDPR does not apply.

#### 3. Can they still be carried out?

Yes, there are other mechanisms to enable transfers, such as Standard Contractual Clauses (SSCs) and Binding Corporate Rules (BCRs).









This is the second installment revolving around complaints made by activist and lawyer Max Schrems, following the controversy with Facebook and the transfer of personal data to the United States.

- Previously, the Schrems I case involved the invalidation of the Safe Harbor, which already guaranteed the protection of data transferred from the EU to the United States. For that reason, the Privacy Shield was approved.
- Max Schrems has once again expressed his concern about data security, this time about SCCs (Standard Contract Clauses) and Privacy Shield.

""International data transfers should be suspended if there are no guarantees about their security"."

## 04. What is the Privacy Shield?



The Privacy Shield is an adequacy decision by the European Commission, which guaranteed the security of international transfers to those US companies that had been certified.

Its aim was to ensure that personal data of European Union citizens was secure when they were transmitted to US companies.

Companies that would have been certified under the Privacy Shield could guarantee the security of the data under it.

International transfers can only be made when they comply with the guarantees described in the GDPR.









## 05. Why is the Privacy Shield no longer valid?



On the basis of the national security and public interest of the United States, exceptions are allowed that may jeopardize the privacy of data transferred from citizens of the European Union.

- The privacy principles required by the Privacy Shield, could not be fulfilled taking into account the US Law.
- The right to privacy and data protection provided for in the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights may be infringed, and the ECJ has therefore decided to annul the Privacy Shield.

"The Privacy Shield is no longer a guarantee of secure data protection".



## 06. Standard contract clauses. Are they still valid?



The Court of Justice of the European Union has decided that the standard contract terms may continue to be used.

These are clauses to be included in the contract that must be signed by both parties before an international transfer of data, thus allowing it to be carried out with security guarantees.



"SSCs may not be used in cases where national legislation prevents compliance"



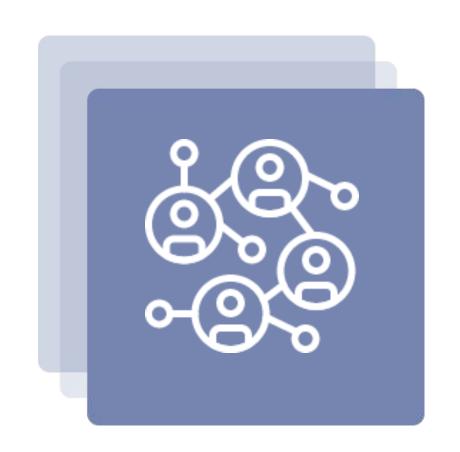
# 06. How to make international data transfers following the ruling?

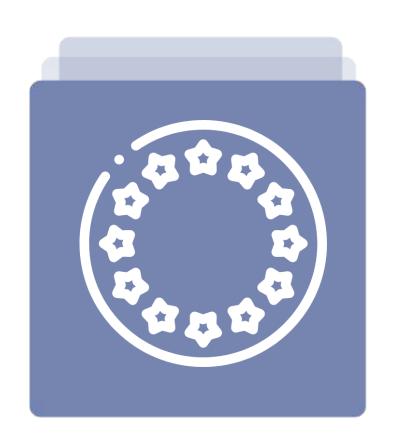
All transfers of personal data between the EU and the US that were being carried out in accordance with the Privacy Shield must be carried out on the basis of another guarantee or be suspended.

Assess how international data transfers have been addressed with customers, suppliers, etc., and whether there are legitimate reasons to transfer data.

It is important to analyse whether the legislation of the country of destination will comply with all the requirements of the EES.

The appropriate security should be chosen for the transfer or, if there is no security, the transfer should be suspended.







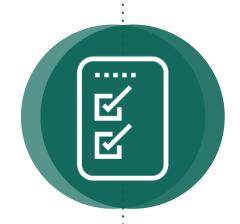


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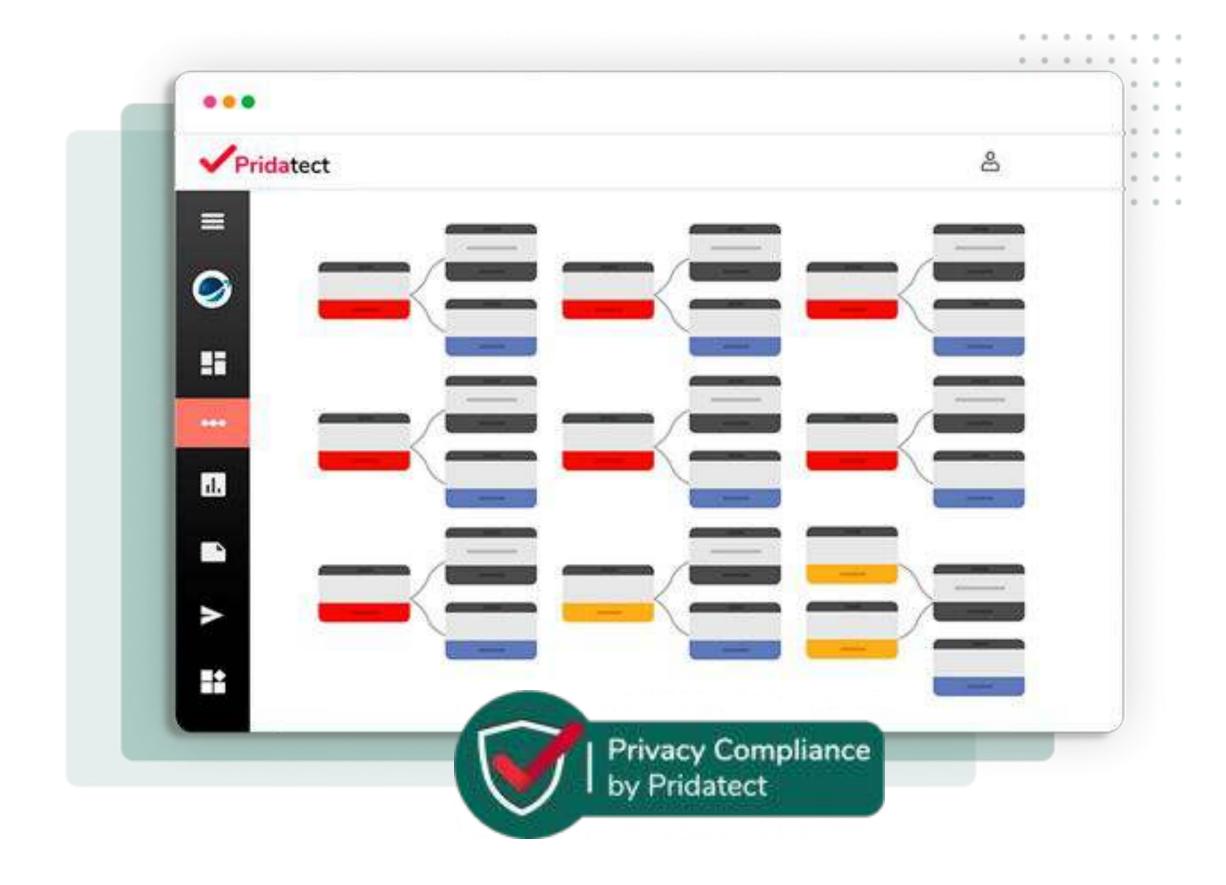
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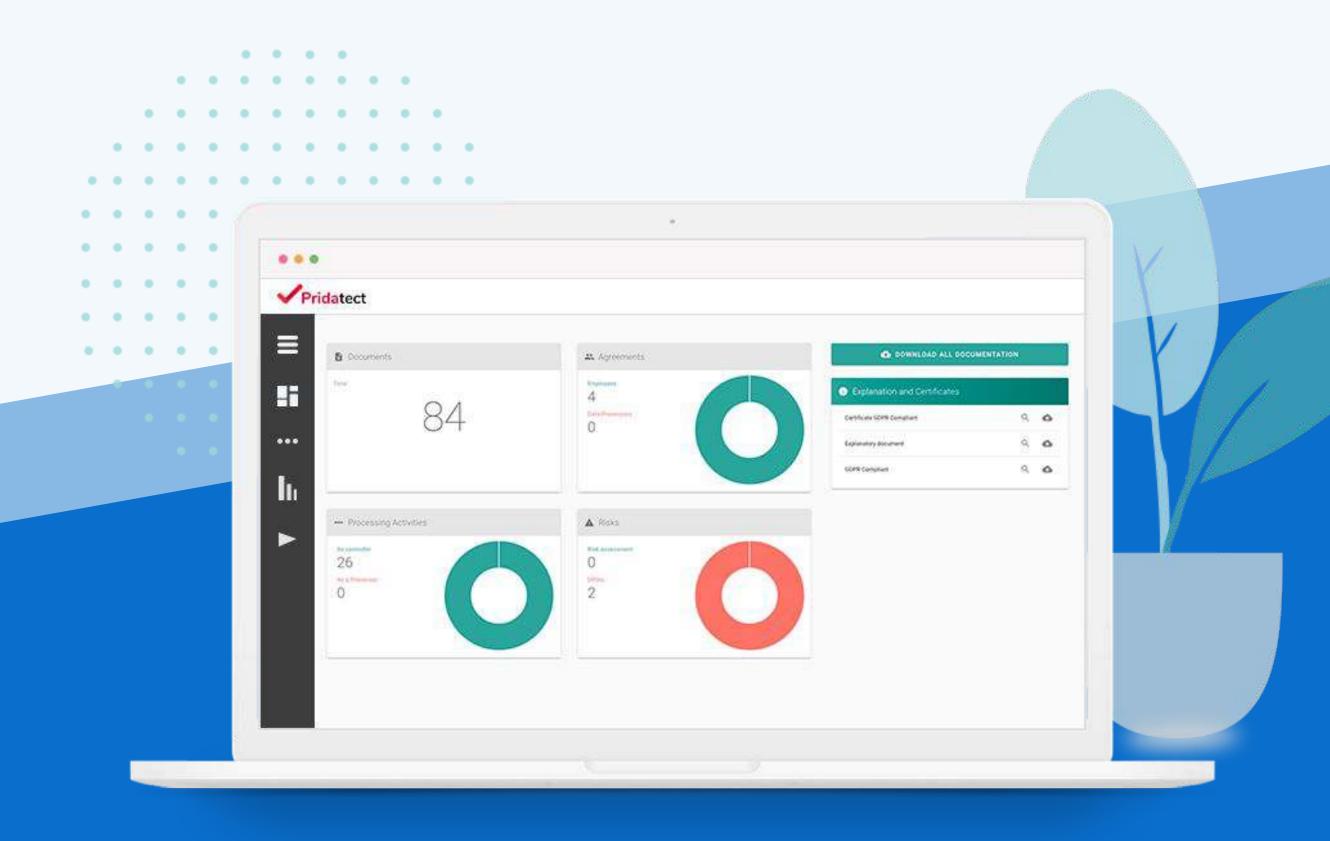
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