

25th of May

GDPR's 5 Year Anniversary



The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) brought a significant shift in data protection, as it replaced the Data Protection Directive, marking a new era of privacy rights and bestowing individuals with greater control over their personal data.

Data Protection Directive
(Principles present before 25th of May 2018)

General Data Protection Regulation
(Principles added after 25th of May 2018)

Notice on data collection

Extra-territoriality principle

Purpose for processing

Legal basis of processing

Consent for data disclosures

Freely given consent

Security of processing

Risk based approach

Notice on data disclosures

Obligation to report the breaches

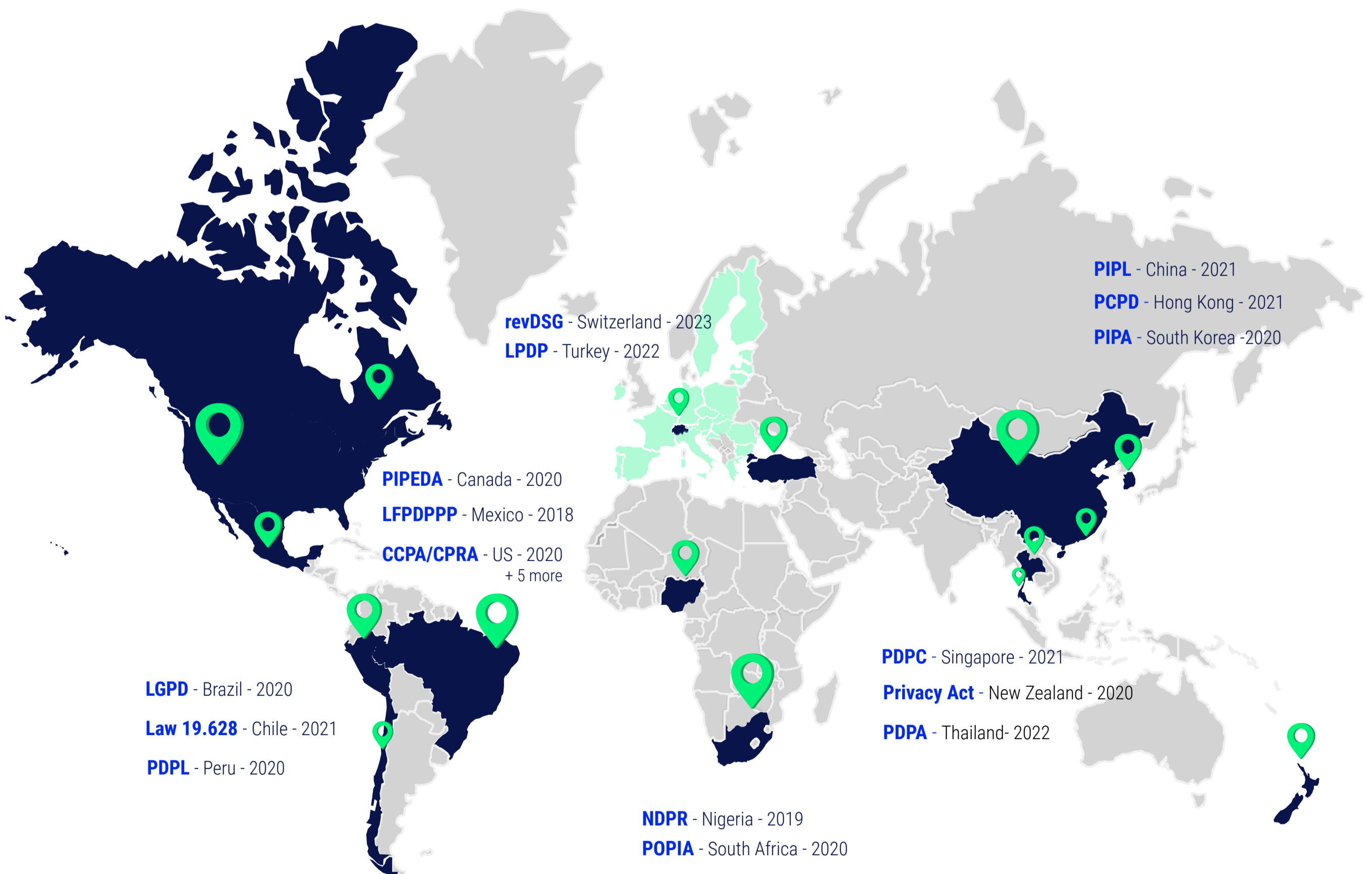
Accountability for controllers

Accountability for processors



The most critical shift for the corporate world was brought on by the penalty of up to €20 million or 4% of revenue (whichever was higher) and the mandatory requirement to appoint a Data Protection Officer (DPO), a dedicated person within the organization, responsible for ensuring compliance with the GDPR and cooperation with Data Protection Authorities.

GDPR Influence Across the Globe



When we look back to 2016, the year GDPR was adopted, it is hard to imagine the changes it would bring for the European Union and beyond its borders as it reverberated globally.

Its extraterritorial scope affected organizations worldwide, nudging them to reassess their data protection practices in order to ensure compliance. The GDPR served as a catalyst.