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Data Privacy & Security What the Hospitality Industry Needs to Know

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A High-Exposure Industry

- Payment Cards
- Employee turnover
- Integration of Multiple Computer Systems





The New Factor: GDPR

- General Data Protection Regulation
- Effective May 2018
- Fundamental Right to Privacy for individuals within the EEA





GDPR Protects EVERYTHING

Massive expansion compared to traditional U.S. notions of "PII"

- Name
- E-mail
- IP address
- Biometrics
- Behavior
- Cultural/Social Identity
- Etc. Etc. Etc.



GDPR Reaches Across the Ocean

Extraterritoriality

- Have a presence in the EEA
- Offer or provide goods/ services to people in the EEA
- Monitor the behavior of people in the EEA

BUT... Does it apply to my business??



You May Have No Choice

- Franchisors: Through franchise agreements and brand standards
- Third party contracts may demand compliance





Compliance is a HUGE headache

- Disclosures/Affirmative Consent
- Data Subject Rights
- Legal & Business Justifications
- Safe Practices/Procedures ("privacy by design")
- Retention/Destruction
- Data Processing Agreements





The Enforcement Question

- Fines: €20,000,000 or 4% of annual gross revenue
- Private right of action

BUT HOW WILL THEY GET U.S. COMPANIES?





Aaand... Here Come the U.S. States

California Consumer Privacy Protection Act

- Effective Jan. 1, 2020
- Any entity doing business in CA

New York DFS Security Regulation

Only covers banking,
financial services and
insurance industries, but
stay tuned...



What About Insurance?

- YES: Highly Recommended Get with your broker ASAP:
- Do you have cyber coverage?
- Does it include GDPR?





THANK YOU

