

No	PRIORITY	DG	SUBJECT	TITLE & Ref. NO	ESTIMATED DATE OF ADOPTION	POLITICAL MOTIVATIONS AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION - EDPS INVOLVEMENT AT THIS STAGE
1	EDPS will issue an opinion	AGRI	Common Agricultural Policy	Proposal for a Council and Parliament Regulation amending Council Regulation (EC) N° 1290/2005 on the financing of the common agricultural policy - Transparency 2011/AGRI/018	4th quarter 2011	The aim is to continue to ensure transparency by taking into account the judgement of the Cour of Justice issued on 9/11/2011. Member States were obliged to publish all subsidies to beneficiaries of payments under the CAP and rural development policy. These obligations were challenged by two German farmers (ECJ cases C-92/09 Volker und Markus Schecke GbR and C-93/09 Hartmut Eifert). The Court in its judgment of 9/11/2010 partially invalidates the legal base in relation to the publication obligations (Art 42, point 8 and Art 44bis of Reg 1290/2005). It also invalidates in its entirety Commission Reg 259/2008 on the application of Council Reg 1290/2005 as regards the publication of information on the beneficiaries of funds from the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD).
2	EDPS will follow development s	CLIMA	Greenhouse gas emissions	Revision of the EU GHG Monitoring Decision (Proposal for amendment of Decision 280/2004/EC concerning a mechanism for monitoring Community greenhouse gas emissions and for implementing the Kyoto Protocol) 2011/CLIMA/006	October 2011	The objective of the decision is to streamline the reporting framework and to improve the quality of data reported.
3	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	CLIMA	Greenhouse gas emissions	Commission Regulation establishing a Union Registry for the trading period commencing on 1 January 2013, and subsequent trading periods, of the Union emissions trading scheme pursuant to Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Decision 280/2004/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and amending Regulations (EC) No 2216/2004	4th quarter 2011	The regulation should be adopted pursuant to Article 19 of Directive 2003/87/EC.
4	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	EMPL	Posting of workers	Legislative initiative for Posting of Workers. 2011/EMPL/001	20 December 2011	The general objective is to improve the implementation and application in practice of Directive 96/71/EC on Posting of Workers. As specific objectives one should ensure the effective respect of the posted workers rights, the clarification of the obligations of national authorities and the clarification of the role of trade unions and social partners in general in the framework of the Directive.
5	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	ENER	Energy efficiency and savings	Legislative proposal on energy efficiency and savings. 2011/ENER/004	Adopted 22 June 2011 [COM(2011)370]	This initiative is a follow up to the European Energy Efficiency Plan. It will provide an enhanced framework for energy efficiency and savings policies of Member States, including targets, role of National Energy Efficiency Action Plans, exemplary role of public sector, financing, consumer information. It will also define instruments to develop the energy services market and the roles of energy companies in promoting energy savings throughout the energy supply chain, including supply to end-users. It will set framework conditions for increased generation, transmission and distribution efficiency, including strengthened measures for the promotion of cogeneration and district heating & cooling. It will replace the Energy Services Directive 2006/32/EC. The final legal form still needs to be decided. <i>Initiative under consideration for possible reaction</i> .
6	EDPS will issue an opinion	ENTR	Radio and telecommunication equipment	Directive amending the Directive 1999/5/EC of the European Parliament and Council of 9 March 1999 on radio equipment and telecomunications terminal equipment and the mutual recognition of their conformity 2009/ENTR/021	4th quarter 2011	The revision objectives will be to: - replace many impractical and ineffective administrative provisions which do not allow to retreive the manufacturers or importers of a number of mass market radio equipment by more modern electronic means create an environment more conducive to innovative technologies and mitigate risks when interference phenomena are not known yet, and in particular when there is no harmonised standard that too many players ignore the rules and hence more focus on enforcement and better tools for national administration.
7	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	ENTR	Global navigation satellite system	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council for a new Regulation on goverance and financing of the European GNSS programmes	30 November 2011	The main policy objectives are: - in terms of governance, to determine the roles and responsibilities of all players around the two European satellite navigation infrastructures EGNOS and Galileo, - in terms of legal certainty, to entrust all players with the necessary power to fulfil their assigned missions, - in terms of financing, to ensure a long-term commitment of the EU to support the exploitation of the two systems, - and in terms of transparency and accountability, to set up the rules ensuring transparency and accountability in the implementation of the European GNSS programmes beyond 2014.



8	EDPS will follow development s	ENTR	Drug precursors	Legislative proposal to amend Regulation (EC) No 273/2004 on drug precursors 2011/ENTR/021	4th quarter 2011	The objectives of Regulation (EC) No 273/2004 on drug precursors are to effectively prevent the diversion of drug precursors from the legal trade to the illicit manufacture of synthetic drugs and psychotropic substances - in line with the EU Drug Strategy 2005-2012, which aims to achieve a high level of protection, well-being and social cohesion by preventing and reducing drug use. The objectives of the present initiative are to address certain weaknesses to achieve this goal for the main heroin drug precursor AA and possibly also for all other drug precursors of the same category (scheduled substances in category 2) whilst not creating unnecessary obstacles to legitimate trade.
9	EDPS will follow development s	FPI/EEAS	Restrictive measures	Restrictive measures against natural or legal persons and groups or non-State entities under Article 215 TFEU	Ongoing	In July and December 2009, the EDPS issued two opinions on legislative instruments concerning certain restrictive measures - notably freezing of assets and economic resources - on natural and legal persons who are considered to be involved in terrorist activities or human rights abuses. He also issued formal comments in July 2010 and March 2011 on the same subject. The EDPS regularly monitors developments in the area of restrictive measures and may issue formal comments or opinions where appropriate.
10	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	PNR Agreements with US, Canada and Australia	Proposals for a Council Decision on [respectively] the signature and the conlusion of Agreement[s] between the EU and [respectively] the US and Canada on the transfer and use of PNR data to prevent and combat terrorism and other serious transnational crime 2011/HOME/028 and 2011/HOME/029 (US), 2010/HOME/038 and 2010/HOME/027 (Canada)	4th quarter 2011	Propose to Council that it, respectively, signs and concludes an Agreements for the transfer of PNR data from the EU to, respectively, the United States and Canada.
11	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	EU TFTP	Communication to the European Parliament and to the Council on the development of a European system equivalent to the US Terrorist Finance Tracking Programme 2011/HOME/193	Adopted 13 July 2011 [COM(2011)429]	Communication to the European Parliament and to the Council on the development of a European system equivalent to the US Terrorist Finance Tracking Programme. <i>Initiative under consideration for possible reaction</i> .
12	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	Schengen Information System	Regulation on migration from the Schengen Information System (SIS1+) to the second generation Schengen Information System (SIS II) (recast) 2011/HOME/198	October 2011	"This proposal aims at bringing into line the existing regulations on the migration from SIS1+ into SIS II with the Migration Plan of 25/02/2011 taking into account certain technical adjustments required by Migration Plan based upon the unanimous request of Member States. This proposal also provides for a single legal base for the two migration instruments governing the migration from SIS 1+ to SIS II under Article 74 TFEU and it merges them into one legal act. "
13	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	Smart borders	Communication on Smart Borders (Entry Exit System and Registered Travellers Programme) 2011/HOME/256	19 October 2011	Communication on Smart Borders (Entry Exit System and Registerd Travellers Programme).
14	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	Confiscation and recovery of criminal assets	Directive on the confiscation and recovery of criminal assets in the European Union. 2010/HOME/351	30 November 2011	EU Action Plans on organised crime constantly highlighted the need to attack the proceeds of crime through an enhanced use of confiscation and asset recovery procedures. The 2008 Commission Communication "Proceeds of organised crime - Ensuring that crime does not pay" notes that organised crime activities are profit-driven. At present the number of freezing procedures and confiscation cases in the EU seems to be relatively limited and the amounts recovered from organised crime seem modest if compared to the estimated revenues of organised criminal groups. An increased and more effective use of confiscation procedures seems desirable.
15	EDPS will issue an opinion	HOME	EUROSUR	Legislative proposal defining the objective, scope and the technical and operational framework of the European Border Surveillance System (EUROSUR) 2011/HOME/008	7 December 2011	The legislative proposal shall define the objectives and scope of EUROSUR and provide a legal basis for the competences and tasks of the national coordination centres as well as for the cooperation and information exchange to be carried out among them as well as with FRONTEX.



16	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	HOME	VISA Information System	Commission Implementing decision adopting the technical specifications for the VIS Mail Communication Mechanism for the purposes of Regulation (EC) No 767/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Visa Information System (VIS) and the exchange of data between Member States on short-stay visas (VIS Regulation)	4th quarter 2011	The Commission's decisions will set up the technical specifications for the VIS Mail Communication Mechanism for the purposes of Regulation (EC) No 767/2008 (VIS Regulation)
17	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	HOME	Internal Security Strategy	The 1st annual report from the Commission to the EP and the Council on the implementation of the Internal Security Strategy 2011/HOME/033	15 November 2011	To report on the implementation of the Internal Security Strategy.
18	EDPS will follow development s	HOME	Enhanced intra-EU solidarity	Communication on enhanced intra-EU solidarity 2011/HOME/016	30 November 2011	Asylum flows are not distributed in a balanced way across the EU. Some Member States are particularly affected by important asylum flows and do not have the capacity to cope with them. This leads to poor implementation of the EU asylum acquis and insufficient reception conditions for asylum-seekers and persons enjoying international protection. Lack of intra-EU solidarity can also exacerbate anti-EU feeling in certain Member States, which feel they are not supported by the other Member States.
19	EDPS will follow development s	HOME	VISA Code	Commission Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 810/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 establishing a Community Code on Visas (Visa Code) 2011/JUNE/218	4th quarter 2011	Introduction of specific codes in the visa stickers to indicate that visa applicants' data are registered in the Visa Information System (VIS); modification of Annex VII of the Visa Code
20	EDPS will issue an opinion	INFSO	Cloud computing	Commission Public consultation on cloud computing services in Europe	16th May 2011 to 31th August 2011	The European Commission is seeking views from citizens, businesses, public administrations and other interested parties on how to fully benefit from 'cloud computing'. Cloud computing enables companies, public administrations and individuals, using networks such as the internet, to access their data and software on computers located somewhere else. It can help businesses – especially SMEs – to drastically reduce information technology costs, help governments supply services at a lower cost and save energy by making more efficient use of hardware. <i>The EDPS replied to the public consultation and is considering further reaction</i> .
21	EDPS will issue an opinion	INFSO/ENT R/MOVE	eCall	Commission Recommendation on eCall 2010/INFSO+/013	Adopted 8 September 2011 [C(2011)6269]	Recommendation to the Member States targeting Mobile Network Operators on the transmission of eCall, including the Minimum Set of Data (MSD) from the in-vehicle systems to the PSAPs. The guidelines would be based on the single European emergency number enhanced with location capabilities (E112) and the set of standards related to transmission of the eCall, including the implementation of the eCall discriminator (eCall flag) in the mobile networks. The EDPS was informally consulted on this initiative by the Commission. Formal comments or opinion may be issued at a later stage.
22	EDPS will issue an opinion	INFSO	Data breach notifications	Technical implementing measures for personal data breach notifications in the electronic communications sector 2011/INFSO/014	4th quarter 2011	In accordance with Article 4 of the amended e-Privacy Directive (2002/58/EC) the Commission may adopt technical implementing measures on the circumstances, format and procedures for the information and notification obligations relating to personal data breaches, following broad consultations and a comitology procedure.
23	EDPS will issue an opinion	INFSO	Reuse of public sector information	Review of the Directive on reuse of public sector information 2003/98/EC 2011/INFSO/006.	23 November 2011	Review of the Directive on reuse of public sector information 2003/98/EC that will address 1) the scope of the instrument, 2) limitations on charges for the re-use of public sector information 3) clarifying the principle that al material that is generally accessible is also re-usable for non-commercial and commercial purposes.
24	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	INFSO	eHealth Action Plan	eHealth Action Plan - make eHealth real - for patients, professionals and the economy- 2011/INFSO/008.	November /2011	Roadmap 2011-15 to lay out targets operational steps towards the wide roll out of interoperable electronic health records, telemedicine services
25	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	INFSO	Reuse of public sector information	Review of the Commission Decision of 7 April 2006 on the re-use of Commission information (2006/291/EC) 2011/INFSO/034	Nov-11	the review is linked to the review of the PSI directive and to the data.eu initiative. The review aims at: (1) raising awareness about existance of re-use obligations among the Commission services, (2) drawing an inventory of available datasets, (3) drawing a list of best re-use practices and guidelines and (4) promoting re-use of Commission data.



26	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	INFSO	ICT in RTD	Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) in the EU's 7th Framework Programme for research	Ongoing	The 7th Framework Programme results in research projects, affecting data protection issues. Involvement of EDPS in accordance with EDPS Policy Paper on "EDPS and Research and Technological Development" (28 April 2008). On a case by case basis the EDPS may facilitate or advise on research projects if data protection issues are at stake.
27	EDPS will follow development s	INFSO	e-communications	Communication on the results of the public consultation on the role of the universal service in electronic communications 2009/INFSO/015	November 2011	The Communication will report on the results of the public consultation that will be launched after the adoption of the Communication on the second periodic Review of the Scope of Universal Service in accordance with Article 15 of Directive 2002/22/EC.
28	EDPS will follow development s	INFSO	Children and internet	European Strategy for Making the internet a better place for children 2011/INFSO/035	18 November 2011	The overall objective of the strategy is to provide an EU-wide strategic framework that will allow coping with the amplitude, the global and changing nature of the use of new technologies by young people in Europe. It wi aim at making children more responsible and informed users of ICT while at the same time providing them with the best protection means and fighting against illegal practices. The overall objective would enable young generations to acquire deeper insights on global challenges and events and develop essential skills contributing to Europe 2020 objectives of 'smart and inclusive growth'. This objective is in line with the overall objective of the Digital Agenda for Europe as a "digital European".
29	EDPS will follow development s	INFSO	Open data	Open data - An engine for innovation, growth and transparent governance 2011/INFSO/037	23 November 2011	The Communication sets out the Commission's vision and strategy on open data. It highlights the importance of open data for the European economy and society and defines the legislative and deployment measures tha will be taken. It will be accompanied by a Commission proposal for a revised PSI-Directive and by a revised Commission Decision on the re-use of Commission information.
30	EDPS will issue an opinion	JUST	Protection of personal data in the framework of the e-justice portal	Commission Decision on the protection of personal data - derived from interconnected national databases operated by the member states and other bodies -in the European e- justice portal 2011/JUST/044	November 2011	The Decision lays down the functions and responsibilities of the European Commission in relation to data protection requirements whilst processing in the European e-Justice Portal of transient data from the interconnected national databases operated by the Member States and other bodies. It is addressed solely to the European Commission.
31	EDPS will issue an opinion	JUST	Cross-border debt recovery	Proposal for a Regulation facilitating cross- border debt recovery: the European Order on the freezing of bank accounts 2008/JUST/123	Adopted 25 July 2011 [COM(2011) 445]	This initiative aims at proposing a consistent approach across Member States as regards cross-border debt recovery through the attachment of bank accounts, thereby simplifying matters for creditors involved in a cross border disputes and securing the effective enforcement of their claims abroad. <i>The EDPS was informally consulted on this initiative by the Commission. Formal comments or opinion may be issued at a later stage.</i>
32	EDPS will issue an opinion	JUST	Data Protection	A new comprehensive legal framework for the protection of personal data in the EU 2010/JUST/279	December 2011	This initiative aims at modernising the existing system for the protection of personal data in all areas of the Union's activities in order to maintain the effective application of the data protection principles, and to improve current data protection legislation, in the light of the challenges of globalisation, new technologies, and requirements of public authorities.
33	EDPS will issue an opinion	JUST	Rights of the victims of crime	Directive on the rights of and support to victims of crime 2009/JUST/006	Adopted 18 May 2011 [COM(2011) 274/275/276]	This initiative aims at developing a comprehensive set of measures on the protection of victims, to ensure that victims of crime receive the necessary assistance (legal, psychological and other) in all Member States of the EU, that they are able to access justice and the rights applicable to them and that they receive sufficient protection when at risk of harm. <i>Initiative currently under consideration by EDPS for possible reaction</i> .
34	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	JUST	European Common Sales Law	Proposal for a legal instrument on an optional European Common Sales Law	12 octobre 2011	This initiative will constitute the follow-up to the Green Paper of 2010. It will set out the Commission's policy choice to reduce the transaction costs and legal uncertainty for businesses and the lack of consumer confidence in the internal market caused by differences between national contract laws.
35	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	JUST	Protection of personal data in the framework police and judicial cooperation	Report on the implementation of Council Framework Decision 2008/977/JHA of 27 November 2008 on the protection of personal data processed in the framework of police and judicial cooperation in criminal matters 2011/JUST/064	December 2011	Establishment of a report based on Member States' information on the transposition and on the supervisory authorities referred to in the Decision
36	EDPS will follow development s	JUST	Safe Harbour	Report on the implementation of Commission Decision 520/2000/EC on the adequate protection of personal data provided by the Safe Harbour Principles and related Frequently Asked Questions issued by the US Department of Commerce 2008/JUST/349	December 2011	Report on the implementation of Commission Decision 520/2000/EC on the adequate protection of personal data provided by the Safe Harbour Principles and related Frequently Asked Questions issued by the US Department of Commerce



37	EDPS will follow development s	JUST	Adequacy decisions	Commission decision on the adequate protection of personal data provided by Uruguay 2008/JUST/352	4th quarter 2011	Commission decision on the adequate protection of personal data provided by Uruguay.
38	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	MARE	Common fisheries policy	Commission Regulation laying down rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) N° 1224/2009 establishing a Community system for inspection, monitoring, control, surveillance and enforcement of the rules of the Common Fisheries Policy and amending Council Regulation (EC) N° 768/2005 of 26 April 2005 establishing a Community Fisheries Control Agency 2009/MARE/029	Adopted 8 April 2011.	The objective is to modernize the procedures and facilitate a better enforcement by alleviating the burden and constraints for the sector and public administrations, and increasing the use of IT tools to reduce reporting obligations. All aspects related to control and monitoring of fisheries activities (declaration of catches, tolerance margins, landing declarations, transport, localisation of the fleet,) will be simplified. The proposal will establish detailed rules for the implementation of the new Control Regulation and will be presented if and when the Council will have adopted the basic Regulation on the reform of the Common Fisheries Policy control system (item 2008/MARE/001 - CLWP 2008 initiative) - <i>Initiative currently under consideration by EDPS for possible reaction</i> .
39	EDPS will issue an opinion	MARKT	Internal Market Information System	Commission proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on administrative cooperation through the internal market information system (IMI) 2011/MARKT/015	Adopted 29 August 2011 [COM(2011) 522]	To equip the EU with an adequate legal instrument to allow rapid and flexible expansion of the internal market information system to policy areas where there is a need for this tool. To allow adaptation of IMI to meet the changing needs of the policy areas it serves. To ensure reliable long-term financing of IMI. <i>The EDPS was</i> informally consulted on this initiative by the Commission. Formal comments or opinion may be issued at a later stage.
40	EDPS will issue an opinion	MARKT	Credit rating agencies	Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council on amending the Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 on credit rating agencies 2011/MARKT/010	25 October 2011	Improvements to transparency, monitoring, methodology and process of sovereign debt ratings Reducing over-reliance on ratings Enhancing competition in the rating business Introducing a liability regime for CRAs New measures to reduce conflicts of interest due to the "issuer-pays" model and preventing rating shopping
41	EDPS will issue an opinion	MARKT	MiFID Directive	Review of the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (MiFID) 2010/MARKT/044	19 October 2011	Enhance investor confidence, as well as to meet the overall aim of a level playing-field delivering market efficiency and transparency.
42	EDPS will issue an opinion	MARKT	Market abuse	Recast of the operation of Directive 2003/6/EC of the EP and of the Council of 28 January 2003 on insider dealing and market manipulation (market abuse) and of 3 implementing directives 2009/MARKT/043	19 October 2011	In line with the Commission's better regulation approach the Commission services have started a review of the Market Abuse Directive regime in the EU. The outcome of this review will be made public. In the report we are focusing on areas where improvements could be achieved in terms of: i) rationalising /reducing administrative burden associated with compliance of private operators with the MAD [for example, concerning the disclosure duties on company executives, and the duty to draw up and maintain insider lists, ii) facilitating and strengthening supervision exercised at the level of Member States. RECAST.
43	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	MARKT	Professional qualifications	Directive amending Directive 2005/36/EC - Modernisation of the Professional Qualifications Directive 2011/MARKT/049	13 December 2011	The objective of the modernisation of the Directive is to simplify and modernize the existing systems for the recognition of qualifications in order to facilitate the mobility of professionals. It should also introduce the idea of a professional card.
44	EDPS will follow development s	MARKT	Central securities depositories	Regulation on Central Securities Depositories 2011/MARKT/012	November 2011	Lay down uniform requirement for the performance of services by central securities depositories as well as for their access and interoperability.
45	EDPS will issue an opinion	MOVE	Driving licences	Commission Regulation laying down technical requirements with regard to driving licences which include a storage medium (microchip)	4th quarter	The purpose of the Regulation is to lay down the technical requirements applicable to driving licences includin a microchip.
46	EDPS will issue an opinion	MOVE	Security scanners	Proposal to add security scanners to the list of allowed screening methods for passengers at EU airports 2011/MOVE/031	November 2011	Proposal to add security scanners to the list of allowed screening methods for passengers at EU airports and to fix detection performance standards and operational conditions attached to their deployement.
47	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	MOVE	Transport Security Policy	Communication on a Comprehensive Transport Security Policy 2011/MOVE/027	November 2011	This Communication will assess the current situation, including current and future threats, and propose a strategic approach for the next five years for all transport modes. The objective is to have a properly functioning, transparent transport system which is secure and well-protected. Terrorism is multimodal and often international. A harmonised general approach, covering all transport modes, is the basis for sectoral security effectiveness.



48	EDPS will follow the develop- ments	MOVE	Strategic Transport Technology Plan	Sustainable Transport Package: Strategic Transport Technology Plan 2011/MOVE/005	December 2011	On the model of the Strategic Energy technology Plan, the STTP will provide a strategic framework for research and technological development and deployment, based on policy needs and on a vision for an integrated efficient and environmentally friendly transport system at the horizon 2050. The STTP will focus European research and technology around the transport policy agenda, and facilitate coordination of European and national public and private efforts and funding. It will encompass technology road maps for leading edge technologies necessary for a competitive and clean European transport system.
49	EDPS will follow the develop- ments	MOVE		Directive 2003/42 of the European Parliament and of the Council on occurrence reporting in civil aviation 2011/MOVE/028	December 2011	Recast of Directive 2003/42/EC The Directive aims at preventing aviation accidents by collecting and analysing information on civil aviation occurrences (accident precursors). The objective of the revision will be to more efficiently use occurrence data at the EU level, in particular by better integration of occurrence data in a central database and improving and simplifying the flow of quality data between the aviation authorities for accident prevention purposes
50	EDPS will follow development s	OLAF	Anti-Fraud Strategy	Commission Communication on the Anti- Fraud Strategy 2011/OLAF/002	Adopted 22 June 2011 [COM/2011/0376 final]	Adopt a communication on a comprehensive strategy against fraud, providing a framework for better protection of the EU financial interests across different policy sectors. <i>Initiative currently under consideration by EDPS for possible reaction.</i>
51	EDPS will issue an opinion	SANCO	ADR and ODR	Legislative proposal on Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) in the EU - package: Directive on ADR and Regulation on ODR. They will be accompanied by a common Communication 2011/SANCO/019	23 November 2011	Promoting ADR will improve consumer confidence in shopping across border and the functioning of the Internal Market. Promoting online out-of-court dispute resolution for cross-border ecommerce transactions will contribute to the development of a Digital Single Market.
52	EDPS will issue issue an opinion	SANCO	EU-US consumer protection cooperation agreement ("CPC- US")	Commission Decision for the conclusion of an agreement with the US on enforcement of consumer protection laws 2009/SANCO/065	December 2011	The purpose is to provide a legal framework in the field of consumers for international enforcement activities with the US in order to increase EU consumers protection internationally.
53	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	SANCO	Early warning and response system	Commission Recommendation on data protection guidelines for the Early Warning and Response System	November 2011	The objective of the initiative is to develop a set of data protection guidelines for the EWRS, which are complementary to the rules introduced in Commission Decision 2000/57/EC by Commission Decision 2009/547/EC, and which take into account the recommendations made by the EDPS in its prior-checking Opinion.
54	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	SANCO	Health security in EU	Proposal for a revision of the Decision on communicable diseases combined with an initiative on prevention and control of other serious cross border health threats at EU level (Health Security in the European Union) 2011/SANCO/021	7 'December 2011	The Health Security initiative aims to review and update the existing EU legislation on communicable diseases (Decision 2119/98 and its implementing decisions) and to reinforce the collaboration at EU level on serious cross-border health threats from a global public health perspective ("all- hazards approach" taking account of the existing structures and mechanisms at EU level).
55	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	SG	Citizens' initiative	Commission implementing Regulation laying down technical specifications for online collection systems pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 211/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the citizens' initiative	4th quarter 2011	The initiative will lay down technical specifications on the adequate security features that that online collection systems should have in place in order to ensure, inter alia, that the data are securely collected and storedsecurely collected and stored.
56	EDPS will issue an opinion	TAXUD	Enforcement of IPRs			Customs action against goods suspected of infringing certain intellectual property rights (IPR) is an important element in the EU's strategy to protect and enforce IPR. Following the Council resolution on a comprehensive counterfeiting and anti-piracy plan of September 2008, the Council invited the Commission to evaluate with the MS the need to review the legal customs framework to strengthen customs action against counterfeited products considered dangerous to consumers - <i>The EDPS was informally consulted on this initiative by the Commission. Formal comments or opinion may be issued at a later stage.</i>
57	EDPS may comment or issue an opinion	TAXUD	VAT Strategy	Communication on a new VAT strategy 2009/TAXUD/001	4th quarter 2011	The aim of the communication will be to identify actions which can reduce administrative burden, combat frauc modernise and simplify the current system, building on the results of a Green Paper consultation



58	EDPS will 8 issue an opinion	TRADE / HOME / INFSO / MARKT / TAXUD	ACTA	Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement 2009/TRADE+/009	Adopted on 24 June 2011 [COM(2011) 380]	The proposed ACTA aims to improve global standards for the enforcement of IPR to more effectively combat trade in counterfeit and pirated goods. ACTA will focus on 3 areas: 1) increasing international cooperation 2) establishing best practices for enforcement and 3) providing a more effective legal framework to combat counterfeiting and piracy. <i>Initiative currently under consideration by EDPS for possible reaction</i> .
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* New initiatives not included in the previous version of the Inventory have the title in italics and bold ** When the priority of one particular initiative has changed (compared to the previous version of the Inventory) the text in the priority box is in italics.