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EU data protection rules

EP set to vote to strengthen data protection for EU citizens, ball now in EU governments' court

Ahead of tomorrow's vote by the European Parliament on legislation revising core EU rules on data protection, Green MEP and European Parliament draftsperson/rapporteur on the data protection regulation **Jan Philipp Albrecht** stated:

"The European Parliament is set to confirm its intention to strengthen data protection for EU citizens in this long overdue legislative review. After over two years of stalling, the ball is in the court of member state governments to agree a position and start negotiations, so we can respond to citizens' interests and deliver an urgently needed update of EU data protection rules. This confirmation vote will give us a clear mandate to start negotiations and we hope EU governments will not delay any further and begin work to finalise the legislation immediately after the European elections. Every day that goes by without updating the outdated patchwork of EU data protection rules, is at the expense of EU citizens and their rights."

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