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EXPERIENCE

DATA PROTECTION OFFICER • DIRECTORATE OF HEALTH • JULY 2018 – PRESENT (Part time – 50%)
In my role as DPO at the Directorate of Health in Iceland I took part in implementing necessary changes due to GDPR. In my day to day work I advised employees on all issues related to data protection, mainly in relation to centralized e-health solutions and national databases containing health information. I also ensure that the directorate maintains records of compliance and other duties of the DPO. Lately the work has been focused on COVID-19 response and privacy, such as advising during the development of a contact tracing app,

DATA PROTECTION OFFICER • MUNIPALITY OF MOSFELLSBÆR • AUGUST 2018 – PRESENT (Part time – 30%)
Day to day duties of DPO for the Municipality of Mosfellsbaer in Iceland. Advising and training employees of the municipality, training, ensuring records of compliance are kept and maintained.

DATA PROTECTION CONSULTANT • ERA CONSULTING • MARCH 2018 – PRESENT (Part time)
Private consulting for companies, public institutions and NGO´s. Through my job at ERA I am the DPO for one of Iceland´s biggest telecom operators Nova, as well as helping many companies implementing GDPR such as a payment service infrastructure operator, software companies and NGO´s.
Through ERA i have also been teaching a Data Protection course at the University of Bifrost in Iceland.

DATA PROTECTION OFFICER & CISO • MELIN MEDICAL • SEPTEMBER 2017 – MARCH 2018
My main duties where implementing GDPR and information security management system for Melin, which is a company which provides payment service solutions for the health care providers in Norway.

SENIOR MANAGER • KPMG – CYBERSECURITY • SEPTEMBER 2017 – MARCH 2018
My main jobs related to advising companies in Norway on GDPR implementation. I also took part in other projects such a e-ID infrastructure for the health care sector in Norway and projects related to the security of cloud solutions.

SENIOR ADVIOSR • DIRECTORATE OF E-HEALTH• AUGUST 2013 – JANUARY 2017
Directorate of e-health is a public authority focusing on development and implementation of centralized e-health solutions in Norway. My job was to advice employees, such as software developers and IT engineers on matters related to privacy, data protection and information security. I also was a member of a team developing and maintaining a code of conduct for data protection and information security for health care providers in Norway.

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LAWYER • GREIDSLUVEITAN • JANUARY 2007 – JUNE 2010
Greidsluveitan owns and operates payment service infrastructure systems in Iceland, such as POS system, interbank-netting system and provides access to SWIFT payments for financial institutions in Iceland. My job was to ensure that Greidsluveitan comply with all relevant legislation as well as contract work, data protection, competition law and other law related issues. I also took part in implementing a nationwide e-ID infrastructure through Greidsluveitan´s sister company Audkenni.

EDUCATION

B.SC. CORPORATE LAW • UNIVERSITY OF BIFROST •
MAY 2005
Studied for a B.SC. degree in Corporate Law at the University of Bifrost, Iceland. The degree is based on the interaction of law and business and therefor focuses on legal topics such as contracts law, competition law and laws regarding financial transactions, as well as business courses such as economics and accounting.

LLM• Information technology law • University of Oslo (Unfinished)
I studied for a LLM degree in ICT law from 2010 – 2011 at the University of Oslo in Norway. Finished all courses before joining the EFTA Surveillance Authority as a trainee in 2011. Did therefore not deliver my thesis.

ML in LAW• University of Akureyri
Studied for a Master-degree in Law from 2008-2010. Finished all courses but left for further studies in Norway before finishing the thesis.

CERTIFICATION

CIPP/E
Certified Information Privacy Professional, Europe, IAPP.