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Which of the following adopted a law on data protection and privacy for its citizens known as 'General Data Protection Regulation' in April 2016 and started implementation of its from 25th May, 2018? (a) Australia (b) Canada (c) The European Union (d) The United States of America Official key: C.

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Explanation**(a)**

(a) Australia has privacy statutes (Privacy Act) but not the EU **GDPR** of April 2016 / May 2018. Not the key.

(b)

(b) Canada has PIPEDA, not **GDPR**. Not the key.

(c) Official key

(c) The European Union adopted the General Data Protection Regulation in April 2016 and began applying it from 25 May 2018. That is the official key.

(d)

(d) The United States has sectoral federal privacy laws, not a **GDPR** analogue of that date. Not the key.

Summary

Official key is (c). **GDPR** is the EU's general data-protection law, adopted 2016, applicable 25 May 2018, with extra-territorial reach to firms processing EU residents' data. Australia, Canada and the US run different privacy models. Honour (c).

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GDPR

Regulation (EU) 2016/679

Application date

25 May 2018

Supervisory authorities

National DPAs; European Data Protection Board

India analogue (later)

Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023

Adequacy

EU may declare third-country data-protection adequacy

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