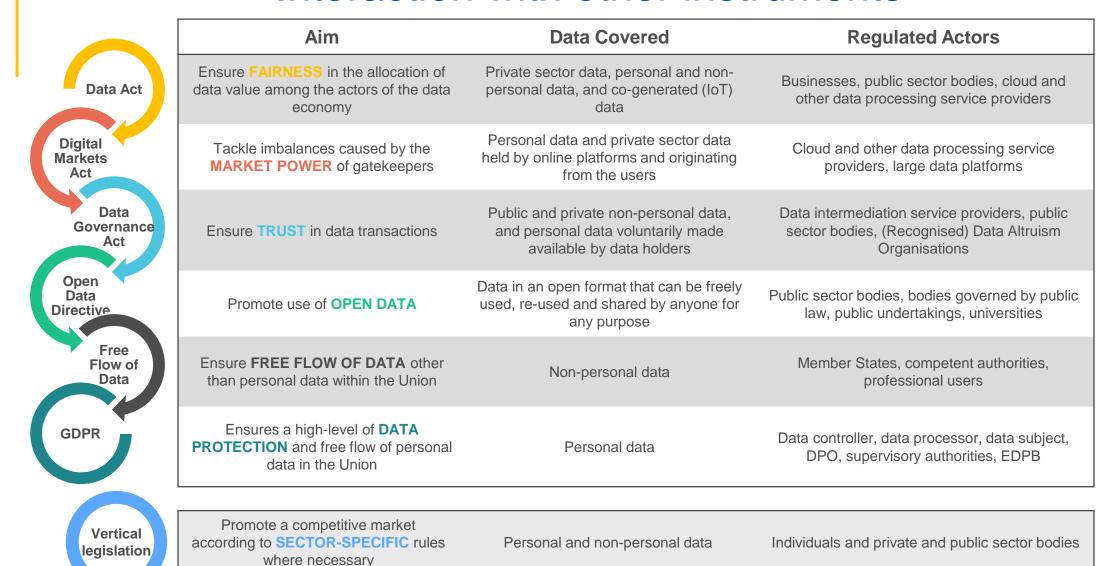


Legislative activities in the field of data

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Interaction with other instruments





Data Act proposal

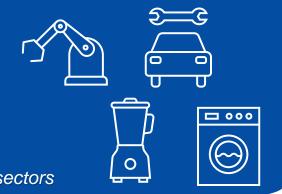
Better access to IoT data

Manufacturers of IoT objects need to allow access & can use the data

Users of loT objects get right to access and port data

3rd parties can use the data to offer services (SMEs get special conditions)

Rules for IoT data also frame data sharing in other sectors



Tackle contractual unfairness



<u>Companies</u> are prohibited from unilaterally imposing unfair contractual clauses related to data sharing on SMEs

Make business data available for the common good



Companies must make data available to public sector bodies in case of emergencies and other exceptional needs

Easier switching between cloud services



Cloud service providers must ensure easy switching conditions for customers

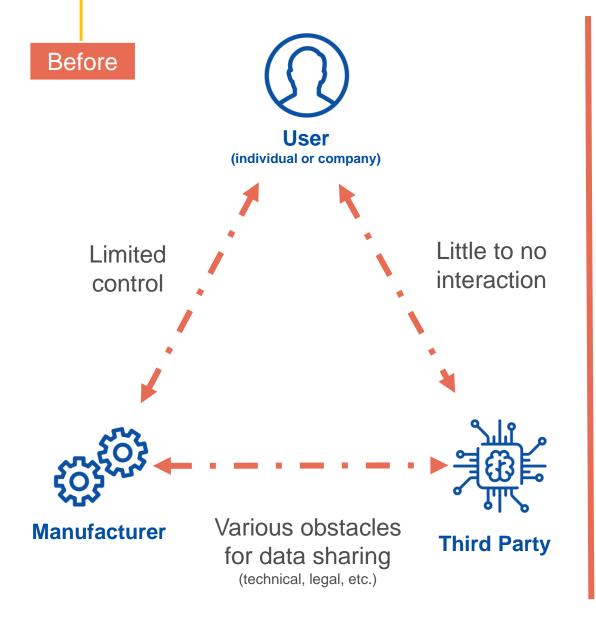


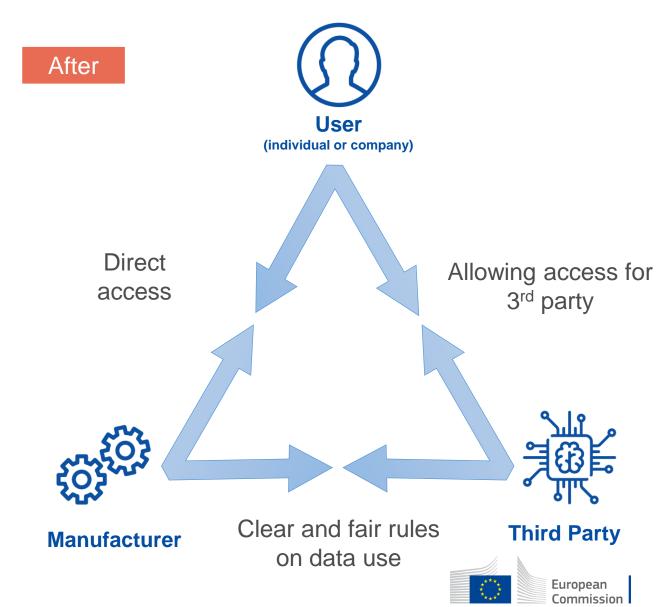
Facilitate data flows through technical standards and interoperability

The European Commission may adopt technical specifications if necessary to ensure interoperability



Data in an Internet-of-Things context





General rules for making data available between businesses



General rules for data access





The conditions for making data available must be fair and non-discriminatory

The data holder is allowed to set a reasonable compensation to be met by third parties

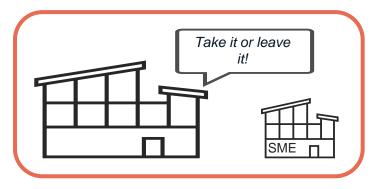
For SMEs: direct costs incurred for making the data available

Sector-specific law may exclude or lower compensation



B2B data sharing contractual agreements

"Unfair contractual terms unilaterally imposed on a micro, small or medium-sized enterprise are non-binding."



From this situation...

We propose these terms...

...to an actual negotiation.

Essentially, unfair contractual terms

Grossly deviate from good commercial practice in data access and use, or are contrary to good faith and fair dealing.

Examples

- Liability or termination rules
- Prohibitive access to the data



Business-to-government data sharing

Data is requested based on an exceptional need:

a) to respond to a public emergency (free)

Public sector body must

demonstrate the

exceptional need

- b) to prevent a public emergency (*reasonable margin*)
- c) for other exceptional needs (reasonable margin)

Existing and future reporting obligations (incl. for law enforcement purposes) continue to apply





Cloud & interoperability

Data processing services

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Interoperability and standards









Requirements will ensure easier switching between providers of data processing services for customers

Providers of data processing services must prevent unlawful third-party data access and transfer from outside the EU

Increase interoperability by facilitating the development of common specifications to address the lack of harmonised standards



Thank you



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