
STATES OF JERSEY



JERSEY DATA PROTECTION AUTHORITY: EXTENSION OF CHAIRMAN APPOINTMENT

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REPORT

[Data Protection Authority \(Jersey\) Law 2018 \(jerseylaw.je\)](#) enables the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture, to reappoint a serving Chair of the Jersey Data Protection Authority (JDPA), provided that the candidate's total duration of service is less than 9 years.

The term of the current Chair, Mr Jacob Kohnstamm is due to conclude on 24 May 2024. The Minister intends to extend the term of Mr Jacob Kohnstamm as Chair of the Jersey Data Protection Authority for a period of 5-months, which will take effect from 24 May 2024. This will enable Mr Kohnstamm to continue to Chair the JDPA for the additional 5-months until 28 October 2024, to ensure continuity of leadership during the planning and development of the 2024 Global Privacy Assembly International conference. This global conference is to be hosted in Jersey by the Jersey Office of the Information Commissioner from 29 to 31 October 2024.

This takes Mr Kohnstamm's total period of service to 6.5 years. Mr Jacob Kohnstamm has brought considerable experience to the role having served as Chair/Commissioner for 12 years of the Dutch Data Protection Authority in the Netherlands and as Chair of the Executive Committee of the International Conference of Data Protection and Privacy Commissioners for 4 years.

The Minister is therefore notifying the States of his intention to extend the appointment for a further 5-months in accordance with Article 3 of the [Data Protection Authority \(Jersey\) Law 2018 \(jerseylaw.je\)](#)

Financial and staffing implications

There are no additional finance, staffing or other implications.