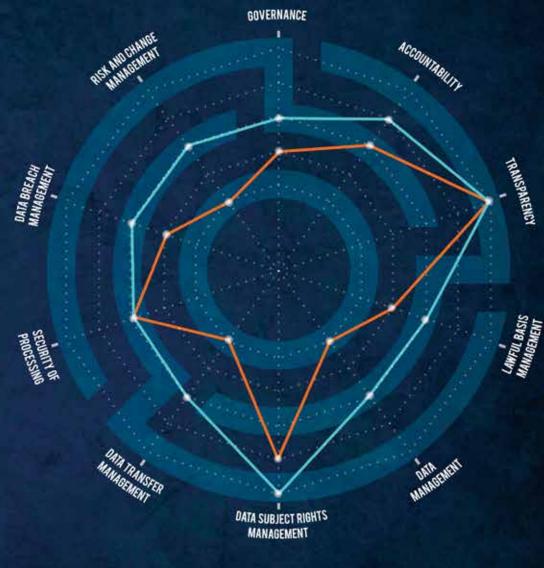
# AUDITING YOUR PRIVACY JOURNEY

Independent, objective compliance assessment









#### MATURITY MODEL AUDITS

Audits provide independent verification that you are on the right track. An independent audit is an essential component of any compliance program and data protection is no different.

Maturity Models are powerful tools that are used by organisations to assess, measure progress and manage compliance program goals.



Maturity model audits allow organisations to set realistic targets for compliance programs based on measurement of current activity.

## EVALUATING PRIVACY MATURITY

Compliance programs that progress through controlled stages of maturity are more likely to succeed delivering greater benefits with less overall effort.



LEVEL 5 Optimised	Procedures and Processes are proactively managed to deliver deliberate process optimisation.
LEVEL 4 Measured	Procedures and processes are measured and reviews are conducted to quantitatively manage the effectiveness of the controls in place.
LEVEL 3 Implemented	Procedures and processes are fully implemented and cover all relevant aspects.
LEVEL 2 Established	Procedures or processes exist; they are fully documented and cover all relevant aspects.
LEVEL 1 AD HOC	Procedures and processes are generally informal, incomplete, and inconsistently applied.

## FORT PRIVACY MATURITY MODEL

The Fort Privacy Maturity Model has used the GAPP privacy maturity model framework (published in 2011) as a basis. This has been extensively restructured and updated to align with GDPR, reflecting key concepts and new requirements in the EU law.

Ten categories are assessed in detail providing granular assessment of each contributing element as well as insight into the overall health of the privacy program. The organisation assesses its current level of maturity in each category and can set realistic targets for its privacy program.



Governance



**Transparency** 



Accountability



Legal Basis Management



Data Management



Data Subject Rights Management



Data Transfer Management



Security

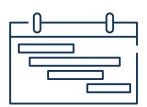


Data Breach Management



Risk & Change Management

### HOW TO PLAN YOUR AUDIT



We would be delighted to provide you with a program plan for your Audit.

It will involve three simple steps:

- Pre-Audit Information gathering defining the audit scope, submission of key artifacts and agreeing the schedule
- The on-site phase interviews and evidence gathering
- Post audit follow-up the delivery of detailed audit reports and compliance gaps

#### For a confidential discussion of your audit requirements:

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**Operations Director** 

Audit is an essential part of any compliance program. It is a time for businesses to take stock, pat themselves on the back where progress has been made and reset the

course where progress could be better.

We believe it's essential that companies, whose continued business success relies on their ability to process personal data, commission regular independent assessments of their program.

When you order an independent audit from Fort Privacy, you are opening your data protection compliance program up to a critical and bias-free assessment. One of the advantages of having an audit of this kind is that we can evaluate your business independently and give you vital information about areas of non compliance.

Addressing areas of non-compliance will help focus compliance efforts and save you from the reputation and financial damages arising from non-compliance.

We have built the Fort Privacy audit around our data protection maturity model which provides added benefits to our audit clients. The maturity model delivers an objective measure of achievement across 10 data protection categories.

Our clients immediately understand their areas of relative weaknesses and strengths. We provide them with a powerful tool to set compliance program goals and we deliver a baseline against which to measure future program successes.

Marie & Tricia

