Overview legal concerns IoT

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I. Overview legal implications

Level 1 – Platform infrastructure and software

Malfunctioning, interoperability

Level 2 – IP rights

- Ownership of databases and other IP rights
- Licensing matters

Level 3 – Contracting for data

- Commercial agreements, outsourcing structures and level of liabilities
- Ownership of data
- Liability issues depending on structure of data transfers
- Trade secrets (specific legislation)
- Different points of view: all stakeholders, machine producers, service providers, maintenance services
- Competition law matters
- Employment law

Level 4 – Data regulation

- Transparency, accountability and minimization principles
- Specific issues for certain sectors energy, financial services
- Data transfers; use of sub-contractors;
- Cross-border approach
- Consumer protection

Level 5 – Information management and security

- Sensitive data e.g. hospitals, eHealth supply chain
- Cybersecurity legislation
- National security/critical infrastructures
- Criminal law implications
- Strategy
- Policies and procedures/processes

II. Data privacy aspects



Risk considerations

- o Pseudo-anonymization; identifiers
- o Processing and transfer of data to third parties
- Risk Mitigation Goals and Areas
 - Accountability and transparency principles
 - o Data minimization principle (e.g. use of health data or from which health data can be inferred)
- Expectations
 - o Establishing risk-based approach in terms of input/processing/out of data
- Challenges
 - Profiling and automated decision making
 - o Secondary uses of data

Approach taken by regulatory entities and private associations

- EC: Consultation paper, Working document on liability for emerging digital technologies
- NIST and SANS whitepapers
- ENISA security recommendations for IoT; cybersecurity and resilience of smart cars

III. Household case study

- Types of data devices: speaker assistance, smart security, thermostats, light devices, switches, smart appliances
- Specific aspects for discussion:
 - Pseudo-anonymization
 - Location of data stored
 - Accuracy and minimization of data
 - Automated decisions
 - Secondary uses of data (e.g. marketing, insurance)



IV. Smart cars case study

- Types of data: long terms patterns generated by sensors
- Specific aspects for discussion:
 - Special types of data (e.g. biometrics, health data)
 - o Data minimization principle
 - Secondary uses of data (e.g. marketing, insurance)
 - Exercise of data subject rights



Questions?

Thank you!

