







# **Extracting Provenance Metadata from Privacy Policies**

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#### Identification

- Location in privacy policy
  - what sections does it occur under?
  - what is the context presented by the section?
- Section 1 data collection
- Section 1.1 data provided by user
- Section 1.1.1 data required for legitimate purposes
- "Account Information" category of data
- "sign-up" data activity
- "first name, last name..." types of data

#### **Provenance Metadata Inference:**

sign-up is a data collection activity that collects data of account information category directly from the user for legitimate purposes

## **Example Use-case: Airbnb Ireland**

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- 1. INFORMATION WE COLLECT
- 1.1 Information You Give to Us.
- 1.1.1 Information that is necessary for the use of the Airbnb Platform.

**Account Information** 

When you sign up for an Airbnb Account, we require certain information such as your first name, last name, email address, and date of birth.

> https://www.airbnb.ie/terms/privacy\_policy (accessed 16-APR-2018)

## Extraction – I

- Use keyword-based Entity Recognition
- •Search for keywords like *collect, share, store*
- Look for position in document to get context
- Extract metadata from surrounding sentences Terms and concepts from GDPRtEXT resource for GDPR-relevant keywords like portability, breach

#### Extraction – II

- Use Machine Learning to train algorithms
- Based on approach taken by UsablePrivacy Project to categorise statements in privacy policies based on expert annotations
- Sentence category provides information context
- Additional annotated corpus for training model

## user gdprov:DataSubject prov:Agent Account Information gdprov:PersonalData data source p-plan:Variable gdprov: type type collectsData Account Sign-Up first name email address date of birth gdprov:DataStep last name p-plan:Step : legal basis legitimate purposes

#### Representation

#### GDPRov ontology

- extends PROV-O and P-Plan
- defines terms using GDPR concepts
- 'model' an abstract representation or plan

#### **Potential Applications**

#### **Visualise Privacy Policy**

- represent data and actions over them
- easier to understand and comprehend
- accompany text to provide visual cues

#### **Interpret Privacy Preferences**

- Use provenance metadata to understand data actions
- Match with user's preferences (e.g. using ODRL)





