



# Press Release

## **LAUNCH OF THE DATA PROTECTION ACT, 2012 (ACT 843)**

**Accra, 12th November 2014** - The Data Protection Commission of Ghana will launch the Data Protection Act, 2012 (Act 843), its website and registration system under the theme **'Know your R!GHT, Protect your INFORMATION'** on **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2014** at the **Accra International Conference Centre** at **9.00am**. This activity is to pave the way for our year-long awareness creation activities across the country in 2015.

The Commission's key functions are to:

- Implement and monitor compliance with the provisions of Act 843;
- Investigate any complaints under Act 843 and make determinations; as well as
- Keep and maintain the Data Protection Register.

The Data Protection Act, 2012 (Act 843) sets out the rules and principles governing the collection, use, disclosure and care for your personal data or information by a data controller or processor. It recognises a person's right (data subject rights) to protect their personal data or information by mandating a data controller or processor to process (collect, use, disclose, erase, etc) such personal data or information in accordance with the individual's rights. The Act also established the Data Protection Commission as an independent statutory body to ensure and enforce compliance.

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