European Databases: Setting Limits under Judicial Scrutiny



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The EU immigration databases landscape

SIS II

VIS

Eurodac

EES
Entry/Exit

RTP(?)

Residence Permits Repository

Interoperability

ETIAS (US ESTA)

Longstay visas

New developments in existing databases

SIS II: Mandatory insertion of entry bans and return decisions (interaction with Return Directive?)

VIS: Relaxation of conditions for LEA + lowering the age limit for fingerprinting

Eurodac: complete change in rationale and use of the system for 'wider migration purposes'

Judicial scrutiny?

Systematic collection and storage → interference

Surveillance case law of the CJEU

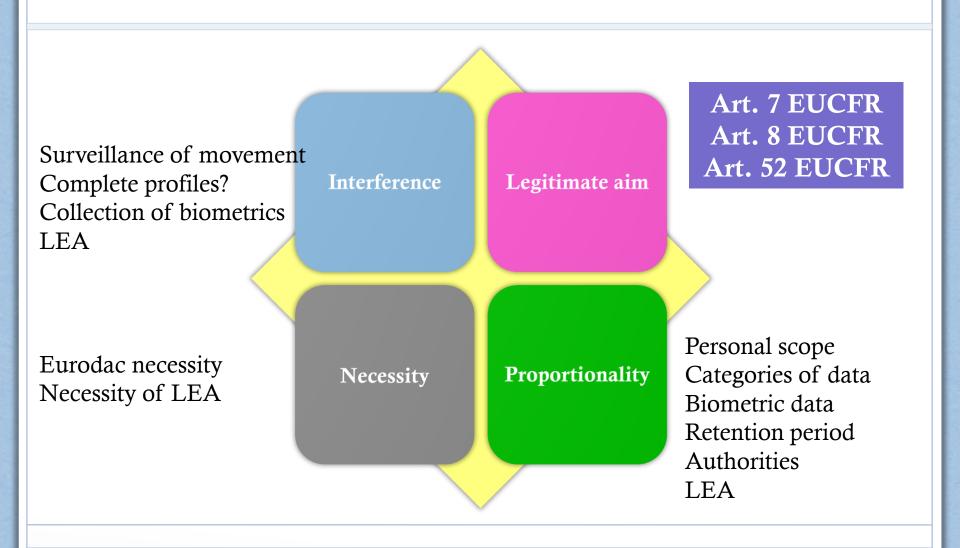
- 1. Digital Rights Ireland
- 2. Schrems
- 3. Watson and Tele2 Sverige

Biometrics

Schwarz



Immigration databases and privacy



Some conclusions

Data collection steadily growing

Serious privacy concerns on multiple grounds

Blunt disregard to landmark CJEU judgments

ALL third-country nationals under surveillance

Normalisation of surveillance of movement

Are EU nationals next in line1(?)

CJEU guardian of privacy