

Taking Back Control of Your Data with OPERANDO

Achilleas Papageorgiou

Department of Informatics, University of Piraeus, Greece
INFOCOM 2017







OPERANDO

- Funded under the Horizon 2020 Programme (H2020), as part of the DS-01-2014 Privacy call (GA no. 653704)
- We implement and validate an innovative privacy enforcement framework that will enable: *Privacy as a Service*



Consortium





















GDPR

- On 27 April 2016, the EU adopted new rules for the protection of personal data, via the *General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)*.
 The GDPR will become applicable on *25 May 2018*, and its impact will be felt in many areas in the next few years that service providers will have to integrate it in their services.
- Will everyone do it?
- What happens till then?
- What happens with non-conforming services?



Main concept of the project

- Ground truth: Users do not have control of their private data.
- They consume numerous services, sharing their private data with many entities many of which they do not know.
- Users do not have control of who accesses their private data, when, which and why.
- Users are not able to revoke their consent.
- Common users do not have the knowledge and means to enforce their privacy preferences.
- Note that the project was submitted before GDPR.



The G2C case

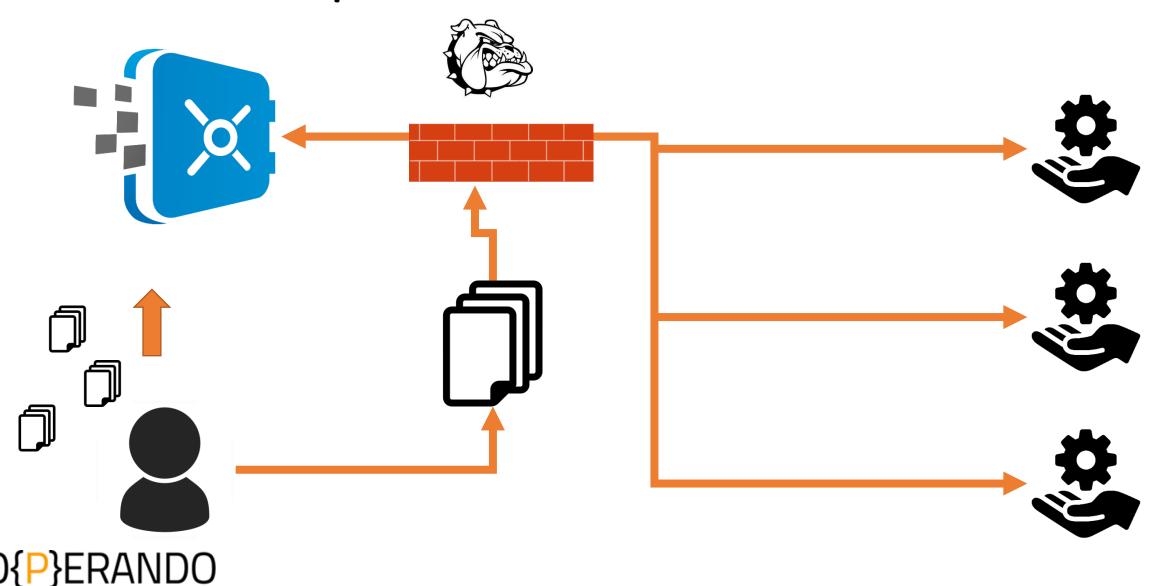


Current status

- Users browse the Internet sharing a lot of private information,
 without knowing what they share, when or being able to filter it.
- Big companies are monetizing this information as it enables them to efficiently profile users.
- Users have an "one-time" deal, "share data" or no-service.
- Many of the data that companies are collecting are not needed for the service provision.



Basic concept of OPERANDO G2C



How does it work? (User side)

- Users registered to a Privacy Service Provider (PSP) who provides them with a "vault" for their data
- Users then register to affiliated online service providers.
- The PSP provides an easy-to-use dashboard to manage all private data.
- The user can:
 - See which data each OSP requests,
 - Why they are requested,
 - When they are processed,
 - Who requests them
 - Revoke/grant access



OSP side

- The **Online Service Provider (OSP)** is not always the bad guy, actually most OSPs are not, they just want to provide a service.
- How do they prove that they "don't do evil"?
- How can they get certification of their services?
- How they can deploy services easily?



OPERANDO PSP side

- OPERANDO provides the vault which is monitored by the PSP. All data coming, processed and leaving are continuously monitored and logged.
- To facilitate development all database transactions are made using a RESTful interface which allows developers to query the database using OData.
- Before executing any query, the role and permissions of each user are checked to determine whether he is authorized to perform the query. Then, the affected/returned rows are checked against the user preferences to determine whether user is allowed to perform this query in row level.



OPERANDO PSP side

- The PSP logs all transactions and shows you what is done with your data.
- The PSP monitors any transactions and enforces your privacy policies.
- The OSP cannot arbitrarily access your data.
- The OSP can handle user policies without writing any code.
- Opting in and out is seamless.



The AMI use case





Dashboard

Notifications

Access Preferences

Data Access Log

Privacy Policy

PRIVACY SETTINGS FOR THE APP AMI		
four privacy preferences are shown here. You can see, and change, which organisations are enforced automatically for you by OPERANDO, an independent platform, to ensure the		
Volunteer Link-Up should be able to access the following data:	~	OData Metadata
·	~	Id
	~	Availability
	~	Confidential Note
	~	Matches
	~	Preference
	~	Unsuccessful
	4	Volunteer Unsuccessful Reason
	V	Volunteer Checklist Items
	~	Email
	1	Title
	~	First Name
	4	Last Name
	1	Registration Date
	1	Address
Abingdon Good Neighbour Scheme should be able to access the following data:	~	OData Metadata
	V	Id
		Availability
	~	Confidential Note
	~	Matches
		Preference
	4	Unsuccessful
	4	Volunteer Unsuccessful Reason
	4	Volunteer Checklist Items
		Email
		Title
		First Name
		Last Name
	~	Registration Date
		Address



Dashboard	Access preferences
Notifications	PRIVACY SETTINGS FOR THE APP AMI
Access Preferences	Your privacy preferences are shown here. You can see, and change, which organisations have a

Data Access Log

Privacy Policy

access to your data and how it is used. These settings are enforced automatically for you by OPERANDO, an independent platform, to ensure that your data is only used in ways which you have agreed to. ✓ OData Metadata Volunteer Link-Up should be able to access the following data: ✓ Id ✓ Availability ✓ Confidential Note ✓ Matches ✓ Preference Unsuccessful ✓ Volunteer Unsuccessful Reason Volunteer Checklist Items ✓ Email ✓ Title First Name ✓ Last Name Registration Date Address OData Metadata Abingdon Good Neighbour Scheme should be able to access the following data: ✓ Id Availability ✓ Confidential Note ✓ Matches Preference ✓ Unsuccessful ✓ Volunteer Unsuccessful Reason √ Volunteer Checklist Items

> First Name Last Name Registration Date

Address

Email Title

Update UPP (User Privacy Policy) Back to default values

Mr Robert North

Verification

- Registered
- Initial phone call
- Interview arranged
- Successful interview
- References requested
- References received
- DBS complete
- Successful initial meeting
- □ Successful match

End recruitment process

S., T. Mr 60 y/o Requested match

36 George Street, Oxford, Oxfordshire, OX1 2BJ (0.22 miles

Registration date: 28/06/2016 Needs:

□ GP appointment buddy

Interests: ■ History

□ Music Sciences

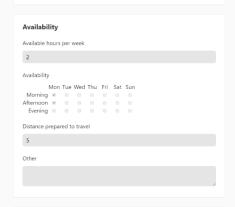
Edit match



Personal details Email address bob@ami.com Name Robert North Registration date

17/10/2017

Address
1 Oxford Road
Address line 2
Oxford
County
OX1 2EP
01234567890



Preferences	
Occupation	
Construction	*
Employment status	
Fulltime employment	v

Mr North

ami

Verification

- ☐ Initial phone call
- Interview arranged
- Successful interview
- References requested References received
- DBS complete
- Successful initial meeting Successful match



36 George Street, Oxford, Oxfordshire, OX1 28J (?? miles

Registration date: 28/06/2016

Interests:

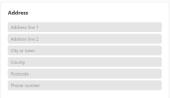
History
Music

Sciences
Edit match

Notes

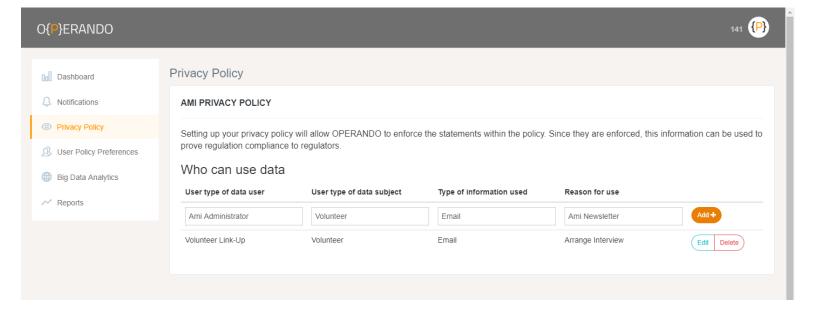
Personal details		
Email address		
bob@ami.com		
Name		
Mr		
First name		
North		

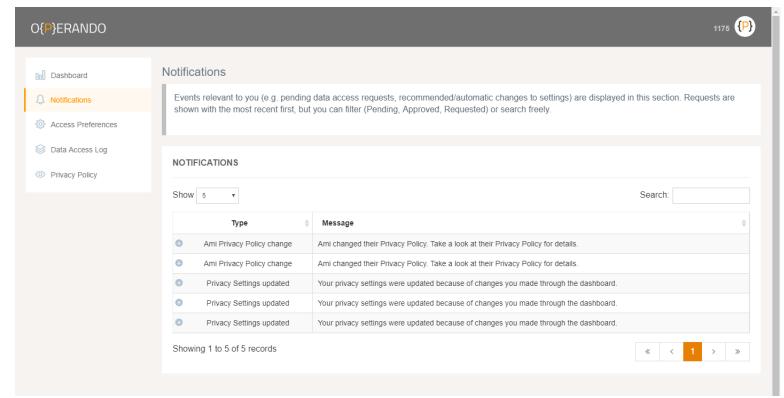
Registration date 17/10/2017

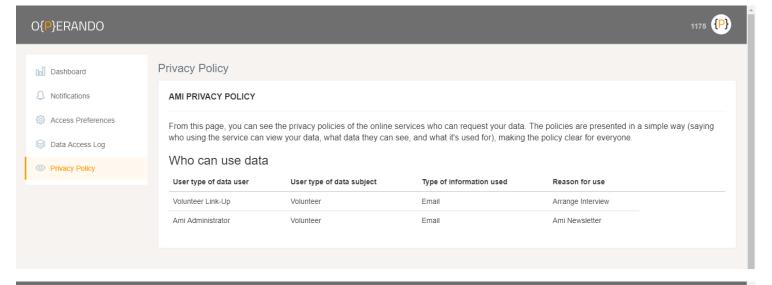


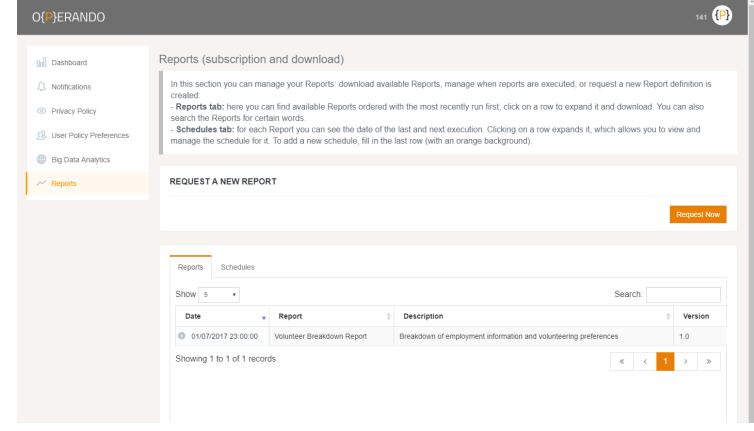


Preferences	
Occupation	
Construction	
Employment status	
Fulltime employment	
Needs willing to fulfil Companionship ×	
You can choose as many as you want.	
DIY ×	
You can choose as many as you want	









The B2C case



OPERANDO B2C

- OPERANDO has a dedicated web page for B2C: https://plusprivacy.com/
- We have created open source software (available on Github: https://github.com/OPERANDOH2020/PlusPrivacy) to tackle with specific privacy issues
- We provide a Chrome extension, an Android and iOS app.
- Goals:
 - Privacy in Social Networks
 - Extensions and app management
 - Hide email identity
 - Ad blocking
 - Privacy-for-benefit deals



Privacy in Social Networks

- Unified social networks privacy dashboard allows you to choose the privacy settings for all your social networks from a single dashboard. There is also a "single-click privacy" button that automatically sets the privacy settings of all your SN accounts to their most privacyfriendly values. Currently Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn are supported, with more SNs to be supported in the future.
- We inject JS code to perform these tasks for you so we never get hold of your credentials.



Extensions and app management

Unified extensions and apps dashboard — allows you to review the
extent to which each of the Chrome extensions and web apps
connected to your Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn accounts infringes
on your privacy, and to take single-click disable/uninstall actions for
such extensions/apps, without digging into the account settings of
Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter and Chrome.



Hide your email identity

- We allow you to *generate* and use *up to 20 alternative email identities* in conjunction with your regular email service. Emails sent to your alternative identities will be automatically remailed to your email address, and you reply will be remailed back to the original sender, without disclosing your real email address.
- A remailer service allows this functionality, we don't keep any data.



Ad blocking

- Largely based on AdBlock Plus code, without the "Acceptable Ads".
- All ads and trackers are blocked until explicitly whitelisted by the user.



Privacy-for-benefit deals

 The Privacy-for-Benefit services will create business models based on consent of consumers to partially trade their private data for economic benefits from the participating online service providers. Under no circumstances will +P provide to 3rd parties any data of its users except based on their explicit opt-in.

Servi	ce provider	Deal	Reward		
\triangle	www.rafa.ro	Valentine's day	Get a 20% discount coupon	<u>6</u>	☑ Subscribe
\Diamond	www.rafa.ro	Offer1	lorem ipsum	4	✓ Subscribe
	www.rafa.ro	2017 papers	Get 50% voucher when buying 2 papers and 30% for buying one paper	4	✓ Subscribe
	www.rafa.ro	Pigeon free	Discount for buying pigeons		Subscribe
WING.	www.rafa.ro	Music Festival	Free access	4	☑ Subscribe



Participation is the key for success

- We are an open source project
- Github: https://github.com/OPERANDOH2020/PlusPrivacy
- You are more than welcome to join our platform and evaluate our services
- Let's take back the control of our data!
- URL: <u>www.operando.eu</u>



Any questions?

Contact info:

Achilleas Papageorgiou, PhD Candidate, University of Piraeus

Email(s): achipapa@unipi.gr, apapageorgiou@ieee.org

