Thrive in a GDPR World

The GDPR represents a new way of doing business. With strict requirements around data privacy and protection—and big penalties for noncompliance—the GDPR is accelerating the convergence of business risk and IT risk. With the right tools and processes, organizations can address the GDPR while gaining the benefits of a Business-Driven Security™ strategy.

What does it take?

1. Data Governance
   - Data governance is crucial in controlling who has access to data in organizations from a data protection point of view. Organizations must protect PII (personally identifiable information) in a number of different ways and must be able to demonstrate due diligence in keeping accurate records of processing activities.

2. Breach Response
   - Article 33 of the GDPR outlines specific requirements for notification of a personal data breach to the supervisory authority. Accomplishing this objective will require a combination of processes and technical capabilities including security incident management, security operations and breach management, as well as tools for deep monitoring, forensics and analysis of data activities.

3. Risk Assessment
   - Article 32 of the regulation outlines appropriate elements of a security risk assessment process to ensure controls and risk are appropriately designed and implemented. An effective risk assessment process accelerates identification of the linkage between risks and internal controls, reducing GDPR compliance gaps and improving risk mitigation strategies.

4. Compliance Management
   - Compliance program management provides the framework for establishing a scalable and flexible environment to document and manage your organization’s policies and procedures to comply with the GDPR. This includes documenting policies and standards, assigning ownership, and mapping policies to key business areas, objectives and controls.

With a unique scope of products and services spanning risk assessment, security controls deployment and management, and ongoing compliance management, RSA can act as a strategic partner to help any organization in its journey towards GDPR compliance.