**Questions to ask Data Protection Officers (DPOs) about their training requirements**

INTRODUCTION: Hi, my name is XXXX from Trilateral Research, a London-based consultancy, and we are a partner in the STAR project, which has been funded by the European Commission, to support data protection officers’ training needs in regard to the GDPR. We are interviewing selected DPOs to get their views on those needs before we start developing training materials. We aim to consult with DPOs and data protection authorities (DPAs) throughout this whole process. To this end, I have a few questions I would like to ask you.

1. Does your organisation provide some training on the GDPR now?
2. Does it offer that training to everyone in your organisation? Or just to managers? Or to customer-facing staff?
3. What are the topics covered by your training?
4. Can you describe the type of training? Is it online? Is it in a face-to-face workshop? How long does one training session last?
5. Do you gather feedback on the training? What comments have you had on the training?
6. What are the issues from the GDPR of greatest concern to your organisation, or, to put it differently, on what issues from the GDPR do you think we should focus in the development of training materials? For example, data breach notification, data protection impact assessments, the transfer of data outside EU borders, etc.
7. What groups do you think are most in need of training in your organisation?
8. If budget were no constraint, what do you think would be the most effective way to provide training? E.g., webinars, videos, workshops, online courses…
9. How long do you think training sessions should last, e.g., an hour-long webinar or a half-day workshop?
10. Are you aware of any other organisations offering training on the GDPR? Is it free or does it cost?
11. Do you have any other comments or observations that might help us prepare the training materials?