

Implementation status of the European DPP in a global context

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Digital Product Passport in a Nutshell

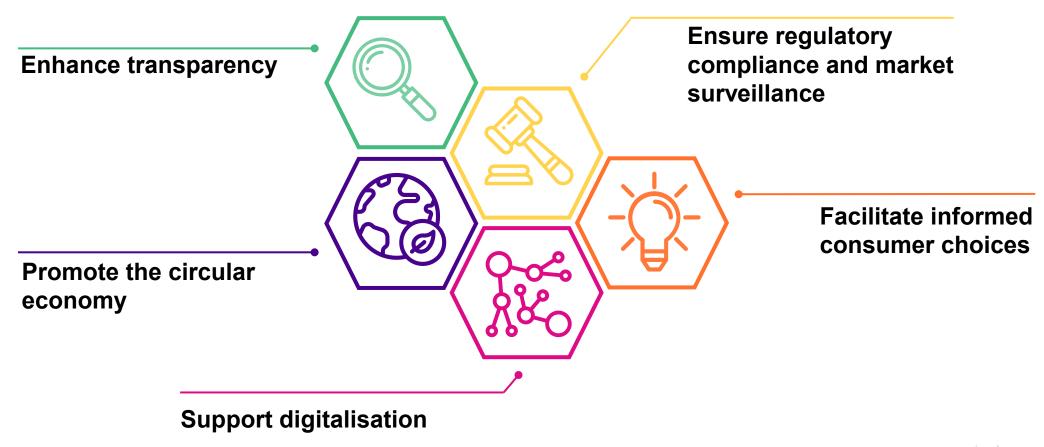


A Digital Product Passport (DPP) is a structured collection of product-related, machine-readable data with pre-defined scope and agreed data management and access rights conveyed through a unique product identifier and that is accessible via electronic means through a data carrier.

The DPP is an information system for the data-enabled Circular Economy.



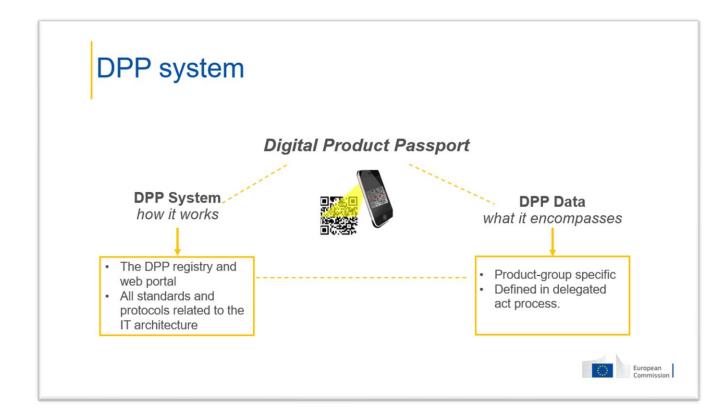
Overview of the key benefits of DPP







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The EU Startup and Scaleup Strategy (28.5.2025)



"The Commission will propose the European Business Wallet as the cornerstone of doing business simply and digitally in the EU, establishing a digital identity for all economic operators and providing a framework for sharing verified data and credentials to enable seamless digital interactions between economic operators and public administrations across the Union (Q4 2025)."

THE EU STARTUP AND SCALEUP STRATEGY ACTIONS SUMMARY

I. INNOVATION-FRIENDLY REGULATION

Actions

- 28th regime for companies (Q1 2026)
- European Business Wallets (Q4 2025)
- European Innovation Act (Q1 2026)
- Voluntary "Innovation Stress Test" (Q1 2026)
- Reduce regulatory burdens in strategic sectors (as of 2025)
- Revision of the Standardisation Regulation (2026)
- Study on corporate restructuring (2026)

Announcement expected in 2-3 weeks

https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/document/download/2f76a0df-b09b-47c2-949c-800c30e4c530 en





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Single Market Strategy (May 2025)



• "The EU needs a paradigm shift from a document-based to a data-based Single Market."

• "In the future, the Digital Product Passport (DPP) will allow access to all essential documents required under the EU product legislation."

Source: Single Market Strategy - Outdated harmonised product rules and lack of product compliance



Roadmap to the operationalisation of the DPP

DPP STANDARDISATION MILESTONES (CEN-CENELEC)

Development and adoption CEN-CENELEC Standards

LEGAL MILESTONES

DPP system secondary legislation

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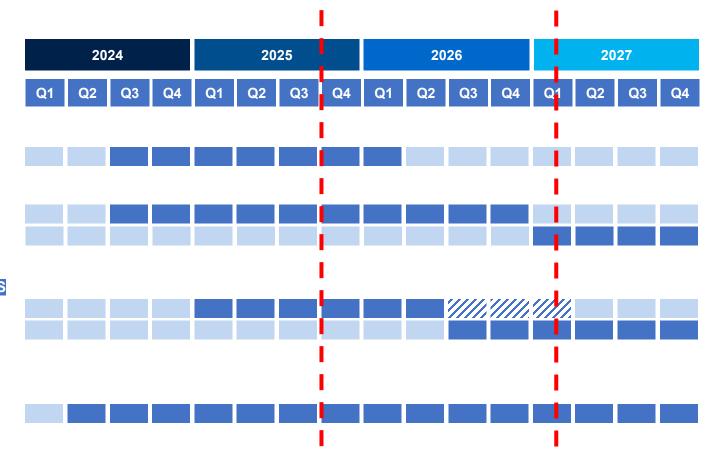
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DPP Registry

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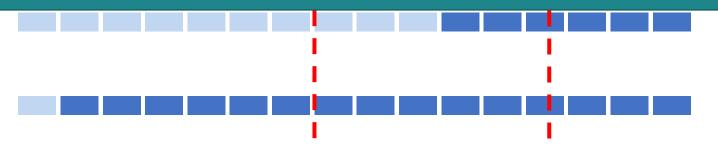
2026

An implementing act setting up requirements for the Central Registry

2025

Q3

A delegated act establishing rules & procedures on the life cycle management of unique identifiers & data carriers





2027

CIRPASS-2 DPP Pilot Ecosystems









Textiles lifecycle



Circular garments



Textile sorting



Mattresses



Down-feather bedding



Cordless vaccum cleaners



AAS-based for electronic products



Audio equipment



IT second-hand market



Tumble-dryers



Tyres



Construction sector



CIRPASS-2 DPP Pilot Ecosystems











 Pilot diversity is the key to ensuring that what we propose is aligned with the current state of the industry.



i-feather bedding



 Sector diversity is the key to ensuring that the DPP system proposal is both cross-sectoral and future-proof.



 Goal: Prove that the DPP can be more than just a regulatory burden for companies but it can effectively promote economic and environmental sustainability.







Priority Products proposed by ESPR Work Programme

Products to be included in the work programme



Textiles/Apparel



Furniture 2028*



Tyres 2027*



Mattresses

2029*

Intermediate products included



Iron & Steel

2026*



Aluminium

2027*



Energy-related products



Products included under the transition rules

ICT products

2029*





CIRPASS-2 methodology



- Step 1: Start with a large sample of very different existing DPP solutions already in production or in advanced piloting phases.
- Step 2: Build open-source cross-pilot interoperability tools.
- Step 3 : Accompany each pilot in its ESPR/CPR-compliance journey...
 - support alignment with JTC-24 draft standards.
 - support alignment with coming international DPP standards.

About CIRPASS-2 pilots



- They all employ different DPP service providers.
- They all have different business cases based on 'voluntary' data.
- They all use **different data modelling approaches**, some based on standards, e.g. RDF/RDFS, IEC 63278-1:2023, EN ISO 23387/ISO 22057, but most not.
- It is likely that they all will need to convert pre-existing 'voluntary' DPP use cases into 'mandatory' ones in the future.



None are interoperable outside of their existing (closed) business ecosystems.

The DPP is NOT a closed data ecosystem.













How to ensure that the data's meaning is correctly conveyed?



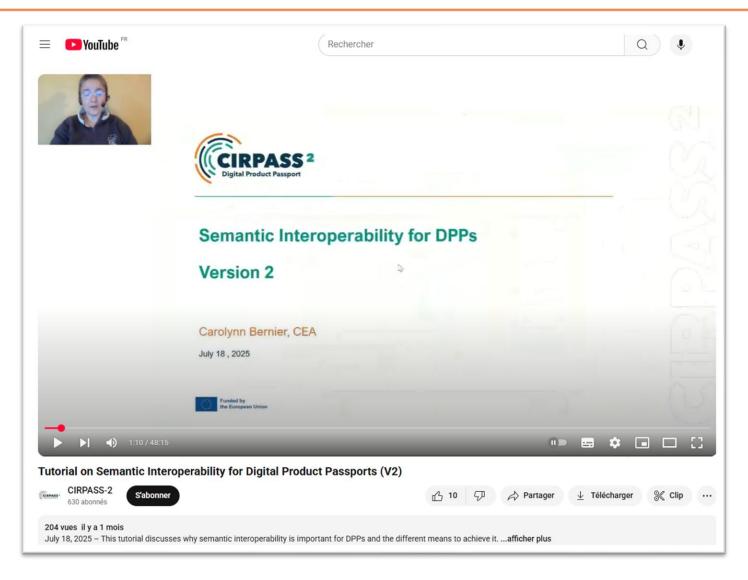




A deep-dive into semantic interoperability for DPP









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- Publication of JRC methodology for defining DPP data requirements

Step A Define scope

Step B

Identify use cases and data needs

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Design DPP data requirements

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specific DPP Data

STEP A:

- 1. Define the product scope and boundaries
- 2. Review the policy and legal context
 - 2.1. Define stakeholder profile
 - 2.2. Document the existing standards and vocabularies
 - 2.3. Document the value chain (incl. typical data flows)

Supporting annex: list the research questions



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STEP B:

- 1. Define use cases
- 2. Identify the data needs
- 3. Iterate to verify the data needs and use cases

Supporting annexes: Criteria for selecting the relevant use-cases +
Generic use cases to be adapted + Generic guidance on the data points by
product aspect



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Proposal for a product group specific DPP Data

STEP C:

- 1. Review, benchmark and adapt product-specific vocabulary
- 2. Set DPP data granularity
- 3. Set DPP access and sharing rights
- 4. Set DPP requirements on update and maintenance

Supporting annexes: Guidance for identifying, reusing, and merging existing product classification vocabularies + General rules to determine appropriate granularity levels + Recommendations for editing and data sharing



Source: JRC, DPP4EU Conference, June 2025

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JRC methodology: Defining DPP data requirements



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Missing step E?

Creation of machine-readable representations of the vocabularies



CIRPASS-2 Core ontology



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 - to facilitate semantic interoperability across sectors and beyond EU.

2024/1781

28.6.2024

REGULATION (EU) 2024/1781 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL

of 13 June 2024

establishing a framework for the setting of ecodesign requirements for sustainable products, amending Directive (EU) 2020/1828 and Regulation (EU) 2023/1542 and repealing Directive 2009/125/EC

(Text with EEA relevance)

Article 2

Definitions

(22) 'durability' means the ability of a product to maintain over time its function and performance under specified conditions of use, maintenance and repair;



human-readable definitions



machine-readable vocabularies

http://dpp.taltech.ee/EUDPP#Durability a owl:Class ;

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Addressing the "many DPPs" problem





Today: voluntary DPPs

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Tomorrow: mandatory DPPs

→The EU DPP is not just a regulatory tool.

Addressing the "many DPPs" problem





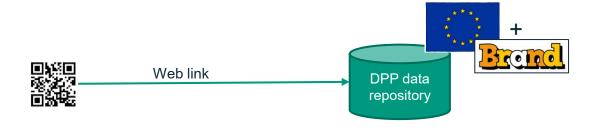
After tomorrow: more DPPs?

- Voluntary DPPs?
- Mandatory DPPs from other jurisdictions?

International interoperability – Option 1







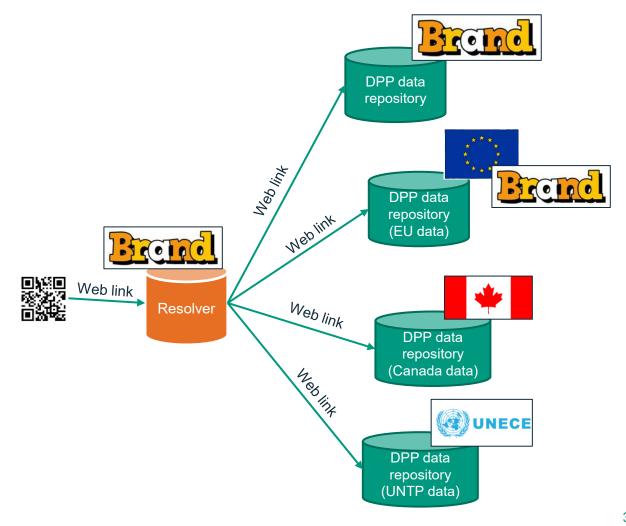
Option 1:

The entire world aligns to the EU DPP information requirements.

International interoperability – Option 2 (Carolynn's vision)

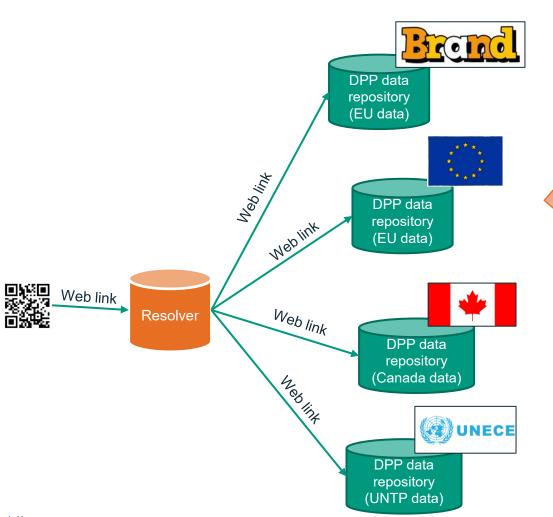






How to make sense of the data?







- 1 Fetch EU DPP
- 2 Validate it (automatic)
- 3 Make sure that the data points are bound to their legal definitions
 - → i.e. to the vocabularies



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This is not difficult.



Upcoming white papers by CIRPASS-2



- Granularity options for a garments DPP
- The Role of Data Spaces & EU Business Wallet for DPP User Empowerment
- Verifiable Credentials: A comparative brief



Thank you!

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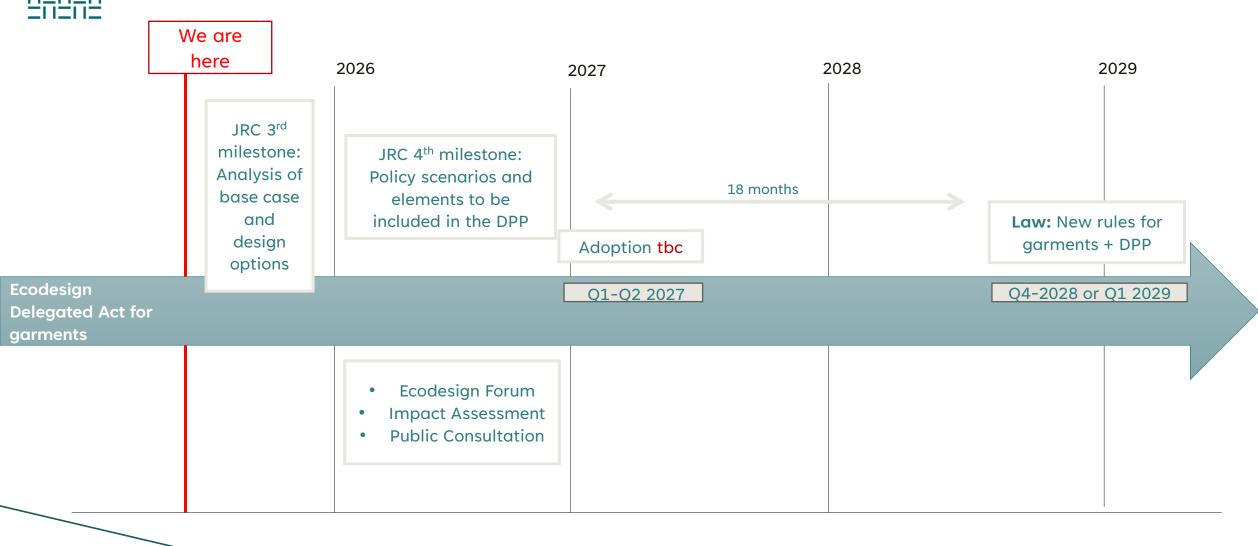








Delegated Act for garments estimated timeline



What is CIRPASS-2 working on now?



- Alignment with CEN/CENELEC JTC-24 draft data & semantic models
- Revision of DPP User stories V3 (December 2025)
- Revision of DPP system architecture proposals (April 2026)
- Specification of open-source software components
 - Cross-pilot DPP renderer
 - Cross-pilot lifecycle API
 - Mock EU Registry
- DPP Legal Interoperability: What businesses need to know (webinar)
 - o Dr Jeanne Huang, University of Sydney Law School, Oct 27, 13h-14h CET.

