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EU and UK Representative

The GDPR, the UK GDPR, NIS2, the AI Act, the Data Act and others ask companies based outside the EU or the UK to name a representative there. We take those roles, including the ones that carry duties of their own, once you have passed our due diligence. The UK roles are held by GRC PLUS LTD, our UK company.

SERVICE	USUALLY TAKES
Managed service	**Days, usually, for GRC+ to be in place as your representative**

What It Is

Your representative in the EU and the UK when a law asks a company based outside them to name one: the GDPR and UK GDPR, NIS2, the AI Act, the Data Act and more.

WHY IT MATTERS

Nobody local to answer for you

- Several laws each ask for a representative
- Since Brexit the UK asks for its own
- Regulators and individuals have nobody to contact
- Every country where you operate can then act against you

THE OUTCOME

A local address regulators accept

- One contact for the EU and one for the UK
- Evidence of the appointment for customers and partners
- A yearly check that your scope and notices are current
- One contract, whatever the number of laws

What a Representative Does

GDPR and UK GDPR	Article 27: controllers and processors outside the EU or the UK that serve or monitor people there. The representative holds your record of processing.
NIS2	Article 26(3): digital infrastructure and digital service providers outside the EU. The representative's country supervises you; without one, every country where you operate can.
AI Act	Article 22 for providers of high-risk AI systems and Article 54 for providers of general-purpose AI models, by written mandate, before the EU market.
Data Act	Article 37: makers of connected products, data holders and data processing services based outside the EU, from 12 September 2025.
Data Governance Act	Articles 11 and 19: data intermediation services and data altruism organisations based outside the EU.
UK NIS Regulations	Regulation 14A: online marketplaces, search engines and cloud services based outside the UK, unless small or micro.
Cyber Resilience Act	Article 18: makers of products with digital elements may name an authorised representative to hold the declaration of conformity and the technical file.
Your accountability	Representation does not move your own duties under any of these laws. We check first which of them apply to you.

From Proposal to Appointment

1	**Choose your roles** Pick your roles and ask for a proposal.	Before you start
2	**Due diligence** A short questionnaire and a few documents. We confirm which laws ask you for a representative.	Days 1 to 2
3	**Mandate and notification** You sign the mandates. We notify or register the appointment where the law asks, and give you the wording for your notices.	Days 3 to 5
4	**Requests and review** Requests reach you the same business day. Once a year we check that everything is still current.	Ongoing

Regulations That Ask for It

GDPR	Your Article 27 representative in the EU, and in the UK for UK GDPR, for organisations based outside them.
AI Act	Your authorised representative under Article 22 or 54, by written mandate, for AI providers based outside the EU.
NIS2	Your Article 26 representative in the EU, for digital infrastructure and digital service providers based outside it.
UK GDPR (United Kingdom)	Your Article 27 representative in the UK, held by our UK company, for organisations based outside the UK.
CRA	Your authorised representative under Article 18, holding the declaration of conformity and technical file for the authorities.
Data Act	Your Article 37 legal representative in the EU, for makers of connected products and data processing services based outside it.
UK NIS (United Kingdom)	Your UK representative under regulation 14A, held by our UK company, for digital service providers based outside the UK.
DGA	Your legal representative in the EU, for data intermediation services and data altruism organisations based outside it.

Questions Buyers Ask

Which laws ask us for a representative?

The GDPR (Article 27) when you serve or monitor people in the EU without an establishment there. NIS2 (Article 26) for cloud, data centre, managed service, marketplace, search and social network providers. The AI Act (Articles 22 and 54) for high-risk AI systems and general-purpose AI models. The Data Act and the Data Governance Act add more. We check which apply to you before we start.

Do we also need a UK representative?

If you serve UK residents and have no UK establishment, UK GDPR asks for one, and the UK NIS Regulations ask online marketplaces, search engines and cloud services for one too. The All Roles, EU and UK plan covers both, with the UK role held by GRC PLUS LTD, our UK company.

Can GRC+ also be our DPO?

Not for the same company. European data protection authorities see the representative and the DPO as roles that should not be combined, so we act as one or the other.

Does the representative take on our liability?

No. Under the GDPR and the other laws we act on, you stay responsible and the representative is your contact point. We do not take roles in which the representative can be held liable for the provider, such as the legal representative under the Digital Services Act.

Talk to Us

Ask for a proposal to start due diligence, or talk to us first.
Book a 30-Minute Call · sales@grc.plus · grc.plus/service/eu-uk-representative

