EU-US Privacy Shield - Statement from the Italian Delegation

The Italian delegation welcomes the latest amendments to the Commission's proposal for a Decision setting up the Privacy Shield as legal framework for the transfer of personal data of EU data subjects to the United States for commercial purposes, amendments which have taken into account the observations of the Article 29 Working Party and improved the text also in line with the indications given by the Italian Data Protection Authority. It expresses a favourable vote in the Article 31 Committee on the proposal, in the light of the clarifications given by the Commission on this framework, and in particular on the subjective scope of application of the safeguards it provides: in this respect, Italy underlines the importance of the right to protection of personal data as fundamental human right, which must be protected regardless of the nationality of the data subject.