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The poster features a dark blue background with white text. At the top, the title reads: "THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DATA PROTECTION PACKAGE AT THE EVE OF ITS APPLICATION". Below the title, there are two main visual elements: on the left, a blue arrow pointing right with the words "Data Protection" written on it; on the right, the European Union flag (a circle of twelve yellow stars on a blue background) with a white padlock icon in the center and the date "25 MAY 2018" below it. At the bottom, there are two colored boxes: a dark green box on the left containing the date and time "TUESDAY, 15 MAY 2018 09:00-12:30 & 14:00-17:30 ROOM 202" and the location "JÓZSEF ANTALL BUILDING EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT BRUSSELS"; and an orange box on the right containing the committee name "COMMITTEE ON CIVIL LIBERTIES, JUSTICE & HOME AFFAIRS" and the chair "CHAIRMAN BY CLAUDE MORAES".

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An Interparliamentary Committee Meeting (ICM) on the Implementation of the Data Protection package at the eve of the entry into force took place on Tuesday, 15th of May in the European Parliament in Brussels. This conference brought together 35 Parliamentarians from 17 Member States, 1 Parliamentarian from Norway and 24 Members of the European Parliament. President Tajani attended the meeting highlighting the importance of the new regulation in terms of security for citizens and the role national parliaments play in the transposition of EU law.

The opening remarks were given by Mr Jan Philip Albrecht, the rapporteur of the General Data Protection Regulation. This was followed by four panels on the Institutional Aspects, the Impact on the Private Sector including the SMEs, Technological Innovation and the Implementation of the Police Data Protection Directive. The very lively debates with 24 interventions from the Members of the national Parliaments gave the possibility to share their concerns about the implementation of the GDPR in their Member States (big companies versus SMEs, lack of the harmonized guidelines, etc), to exchange the best practices already in place in some countries (one-stop-shop, personnel training, specialized websites) and raise some important issues for the future (developing more European safe algorithms, monitoring by the EU Institutions, cooperation with the European Data Protection Supervisor, completing the adoption of the e-privacy Directive etc.).

President Tajani delivered a speech on the importance of this package to protect the fundamental rights of the EU population in the digital era. He wanted to support the initiative as the imminent entry into force (25th of May) of the Regulation is a very crucial thing for the security of the citizens as demonstrated by the recent Facebook incidents.

The closing remarks were held by Mr Artemi Rallo Lombarte from Spanish Parliament and Mr Claude Moraes, Chair of the LIBE Committee.

The excellent cooperation between the **Legislative Dialogue Unit (DG PRES)** and the LIBE Committee (DG IPOL) in the organization of the event could be considered once more as a best practice of cooperation between DGs.