

Information Security and (IT) Compliance

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Acting creatively or being thwarted?

It should be noted at the outset: Neither "information security" nor "(IT) compliance" are firmly defined terms. There are many interpretations, laws and guidelines that do not make it easy to deal with them in practice. Among the better known are the ISO 2700X family internationally and, specifically in Germany, the Information Security Act, and the guidelines of the BSI (Federal Office for Information Security). Not enough, the sword of Damocles of data protection still hangs over it.

The topic is complex and thus a brakeman rather than an accelerator of digitization. It is therefore necessary to select a strategy for dealing with it in a practical manner.

The basis is transparency and traceability in terms of objectives, implementation, and ongoing monitoring.

Against this background, the set of criteria "VOI PK-DML" was created as early as the end of the 1990s, initially to ensure "legal and audit security" in dealing with "digital documents". Its content as well as the application spectrum have been and are continuously adapted to current IT developments, while the basic concept remains unchanged: Legal-space independence, downward compatibility, methodological framework, and catalog of audit criteria.

The handling and utilization of digital documents continues to be one of the core elements. However, their development, content spectrum, use and access types have evolved over the years. In this respect, "document management" is no longer the main criterion, but the "overall process of documentation".

The acronym "VOI PK-DML" (originally for "Test Criteria for Document Management Solutions") thus stands today as the VOI brand for the foundation of "Information Security and (IT) Compliance".

The strength of the VOI PK-DML is the practical and economically appropriate documentation and verification. Complex interrelationships become transparent, and the necessary bureaucracy is simplified.

It is designed to provide a flexible foundation for specialized requirements from standards and guidelines and redundancies can be largely avoided.

The VOI PK-DML cover the following requirements: Procedural documentation, transparency of the legal and functional framework, coherence of technical and organizational measures, continuous control, possibility of auditing and testing.

Your benefits: More time and resources for your core business- Security- Flexibility to grow with the requirements.