



Data Sovereignty Checklist for EU Software

Use this checklist to assess whether your software and cloud infrastructure align with EU data sovereignty and compliance requirements.

1. Data Location

- Where is your data stored (EU / outside EU)?
- Are your cloud providers EU-based or compliant?
- Do you have control over data residency?

2. Compliance

- Is your system aligned with GDPR requirements?
- Do you follow EU AI Act guidelines (if applicable)?
- Are data processing policies documented?

3. Access & Control

- Who has access to your data?
- Are access permissions clearly defined?
- Can you audit access logs?

4. Infrastructure & Providers

- Do your providers operate under EU jurisdiction?
- Is there risk of vendor lock-in?
- Do you know where backups are stored?

5. Monitoring & Optimization

- Do you monitor infrastructure usage in real time?
- Can you identify inefficiencies in your cloud setup?
- Do you link performance with cost and compliance?