The **Data Protection Officer (DPO)** is a mandatory, independent position, aiming at the alignment with the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and has specific powers pertaining to the protection of the personal data of individuals. The DPO:

- > Provides information and advice to the Management and the employees of the Bank who process personal data, concerning their obligations under the relevant legislation;
- > Monitors the Bank's compliance with the relevant personal data protection legislation and the policies that have been developed to this end;
- > Assigns competencies to other Bank divisions in respect of raising awareness and training of the Personnel involved in the personal data processing and carries out relevant audits;
- > Provides advice, where required, concerning personal data impact assessments and monitors their performance;
 - Cooperates with all personal data protection authorities;
- > Has the power to make decisions concerning requests from individuals that are permitted under the relevant personal data protection legislation.
- > Operates as the contact point and represents the Bank before the competent institutional authorities in personal data processing matters.