

Aleid Wolfsen has been appointed as Chairman of the Dutch Data Protection Authority (DPA) in 2016. He already had been a member of the Advisory Board of the Dutch DPA.

Prior to his appointment as Chairman of the Dutch DPA Wolfsen worked both in politics as well as in the judiciary. Between 1998-2001 he was a judge in Amsterdam and till early 2002 vice president of the Court of Haarlem. From 2002 to 2008 he was Member of Parliament for the Labour Party, where he dealt with Justice and Antillean affairs. From 2008 to 2014 he was mayor of the city of Utrecht. Wolfsen worked from 1979 to 1994 in various positions at the Office of the Public Prosecutor and the Court of Zwolle. He combined work and study and obtained his law degree from the University of Groningen in 1993. Afterwards he worked at the Ministry of Justice, where he (among other things) acted as project leader for the review of the judiciary.