International Workshop on Cybercrime Training Strategies for Law Enforcement Agencies and access to ECTEG materials

Republic of Moldova



Author: Cazacicov Andrei, University assistant of the Department of Criminal Law of Police Academy "Ştefan cel Mare" In our country, there are few strategies that has been adopted at the national level to train law enforcement on cybercrime and electronic evidence:

- 1. Government decision nr. 811 from 29.10.2015 "on the National Cyber Security Program of the Republic of Moldova for the years 2016-2020"
- 2. Government decision nr. 857 from 31.10.2013 with regard to the National Development Strategy of the information society "Digital Moldova 2020"

Government decision 811/2015 provides as a basic objective: "Continuing education, training and information in the field of cyber security".

This goal will be achieved through:

- 1. creating a cyber security lab,
- 2. completing the curriculum with the study of the subject of cyber security,
- 3. developing and implementing the concept of information and risk awareness campaigns in cyberspace,
- 4. evidence, training, assessment and certification of IT security staff in the public and private sector,
- 5. organizing and conducting training and workshops on cyber security, etc.

The budget to achieve this goal is 10.089.000 lei (aproximative 504 000 euro) and the final deadline is set on year 2018.

Government decision nr. 857/2013 sets out an important goal: "Increasing level of digital literacy, developing digital skills and digital inclusion".

This goal will be achieved through:

- 1. the government will periodically assess the level of citizens' competences in IT domain,
- 2. the following programs will be developed and implemented:
- Digital Education Program in Compulsory General Education;
- The Lifelong Learning and Digital Inclusion Program "Digital Competences for All";
- Access to equipment and software for the educational process;
- The Digital Skills Training Program for employees of public institutions;
- Program to promote digital inclusion.

The budget for achieving this goal is not materialized, but final date is set on

There are some others strategies in Republic of Moldova, for instance: "Government decision nr. 153 from 15.07.2011 for approval of the National Security Strategy of the Republic of Moldova", but they refer to information security in general, but not to the process of training of students or pupils.

However, until strategies are implemented, some higher education institutions (State University, Institute of International Relations, Technical University of Moldova, Police Academy and others), especially at law faculties, are studying computer crime within the discipline of criminal law (special part) from the point of view of legal and criminal analysis.





The Police Academy "Ştefan cel Mare"

is a state educational institution of higher professional education, training specialists for the different subdivisions of the internal affairs bodies, that's why precaution over the field of cybercrime occupies a special role.

The Academy is the only higher educational institution of the Ministry of Internal Affairs.



In this regard, beside **criminal law (special part)**, discipline of which I am also responsible, there are other disciplines that multilateral study cybercrime phenomenon. Regarding the process of fixation and documentation of cybercrime there are the **criminal procedure** discipline; methodical investigation of crimes, possibilities and technical rules for trace rising is the subject of **forensic** study; the frequency of the phenomenon as well as the prevention and control measures interested **criminology** and **special investigative activity** discipline.



Teachers and practitioners are involved to train students as full time trainers.

Until now the Academy has signed over 40 agreements and protocols of colaboration with a number of educational institutions including such countries as Austria, Azerbaijan, Germany, Poland, Georgia, Russian Federation, Belarus, Romania, Spain, Turkey, Ukraine.

Also, Academy "Stefan cel Mare" is a member of the Association of higher education institutions in Moldova, the Association of European Police Colleges (AEPC), the European Police College (CEPOL), and the International Association of Police Academies (INTER-PA)

At the inter-institutional level are held several trainings, conference, seminars, etc., for example:

- 1. Seminar "The application of modern informational technologies in the fight against the crimes in the banking system", 21-23.05.2007. (with the support of the Hanns Seidel Foundation)
- 2. Training course "Investigation of information crimes", 12-16.03.2012. (with the support of the US Embassy in Republic of Moldova)
- 3. International conference "Implementation and using of contemporary information tools in the educational process", 26-28.09.2012. (in collaboration with the Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova)
- **4. International conference** "Strategic approach on cybercrime", 24-27.03.2015 (with the support of CEPOL)

Though, most of the knowledge needed to be acquired by the students is practical, which is not possible near any of the universities in the country. Therefore, such state structures as the center for fighting against cybercrime, to which students are sent to practice, are decisive in the process of professional training of young specialists.



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