

iPROCEEDS

Project on targeting crime proceeds on the Internet in South-eastern Europe and Turkey

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Cybercrime Coordination and Partnership Exercise

Provided under iPROCEEDS project Skopje, 25-28 September 2017

Outline

Background and Justification

In the world of today, the increasing number of attacks against computer systems and data is a growing concern for both cyber security professionals and the law enforcement. Cybercrime of today is driven mostly by financial gain and thus rapid detection and action on illegal money flows on the Internet often a necessity to identify and minimize damages from the criminal activity. The growing threat of cybercrime is further exacerbated by difficulties of access to and securing of electronic evidence, especially if information vital for criminal investigations is in the hands of private companies and is found beyond national borders. However, even where realization of these threats and challenges by policy makers and professional communities is as strong as ever, successful response to these is often hampered by lack of coordination and common approach of these communities to what should be the ultimate common goal – ensuring safer cyberspace for all.

In order to address the problems of coordination and cooperation in the most practical way, the Cybercrime Coordination and Partnership Exercise will bring together prosecutors, investigators, financial investigation/intelligence and digital forensics specialists and will be managed by a team of experts, as a command and control centre.

Expected Outcome

Carried out under Result 3 of the iPROCEEDS project *Cybercrime Units, financial investigators and financial intelligence units cooperate with each other at the domestic level in the search, seizure and confiscation of online crime proceeds,* the exercise aims to strengthen the understanding of the need to exchange information between different professional communities, sometimes even in real time. The need for persons designated as contact points to coordinate efforts in an event of attack should become an accepted practice.

The goal is also to demonstrate the need for public-private partnerships in cybercrime and financial investigations in order to get access to data held by private companies, and to encourage the use of common approaches and methods for processing electronic evidence in both criminal and financial investigations on the basis of internationally accepted standards, such as the Council of Europe Convention on Cybercrime.





More specifically, the exercise will involve the following major themes:

- Investigate cybercrime;
- Apply digital forensics skills to identify potential perpetrators and collect potential evidence;
- Detect and handle suspicious financial transactions and money laundering; and Recover data through international cooperation channels.

By the end of the workshop, the participants will be able to establish closer links between professional communities of cybercrime investigators and financial intelligence/investigation officers in a real-time environment.

Participants

The event will be attended by the following participants:

- International experts on cybercrime and electronic evidence;
- Cybercrime investigators;
- Cybercrime prosecutors;
- Digital forensics specialists;
- Financial investigators;
- Financial intelligence specialists.

Administrative arrangements and location

Skopje Marriott Hotel, Conference Room AB Plostad Makedonija 7 (Entrance from str. Maksim Gorki), Skopje

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Monday, 25 September 2017

9h00	Registration
	Opening address
09h30	 Delegation of the European Union to "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"
09h50	Introduction to the exercise: goals, timeline, administration (plenary) • Council of Europe experts
11h00	Coffee break
11h30	Exercise day I: Initial intelligence feeds and crime prevention exercise
13h00	Lunch
14h00	Exercise day I: practical work
15h30	Coffee break
16h00	Exercise day I: practical work
18h00	End of day 1

Tuesday, 26 September 2017

9h00	Exercise day II: Morning briefing and practical work
11h30	Coffee break
12h00	Exercise day II: practical work
13h00	Lunch
14h00	Exercise day II: practical work

15h30	Coffee break
16h00	Exercise day II: practical work (workshops)
18h00	End of day 2

Wednesday, 27 September 2017

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9h00	Exercise day III: Morning briefing and practical work
11h30	Coffee break
12h00	Exercise day III: practical work
13h00	Lunch
14h00	Exercise day III: practical work
15h30	Coffee break
16h00	Exercise day III: practical work
18h00	End of day 3

Thursday, 28 September 2017

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9h00	Exercise day IV: Morning briefing and practical work .		
11h30	Coffee break		
12h00	Exercise day IV: Presentation preparations for exercise debrief		
13h00	Lunch		
14h00	Exercise day IV: Participant preparations, report, case solutions Coordinated by Council of Europe experts		
15h30	Coffee break		
16h00	Exercise day IV: Course feedback and lessons learned (plenary) Coordinated by Council of Europe experts		
17h30	Conclusions and closing		
18h00	End of day 4		

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