

CYBERCRIME: GLOBAL AND NATIONAL TRENDS

Roundtable discussion

UN House, Bucharest, Romania, 2 October 2019

To mark the 70th Anniversary of the Council of Europe, the Cybercrime Programme Office ([C-PROC](#)) in Bucharest will organize the roundtable "Cybercrime: Global and National Trends" on **Wednesday, 2 October, between 10:00 and 14:00**, at the **UN House (48A Primăverii Boulevard, sector 1, Bucharest)**.

With the core business to promote human rights and rule of law, the Council of Europe took the lead to help countries worldwide to develop their cybercrime laws in line with its Budapest Convention on Cybercrime. The Convention is the first international treaty to address this type of crime and now gathers 64 State Parties from all continents.

The C-PROC office based in Bucharest takes up on behalf of the Council of Europe the responsibility to implement cybercrime capacity building programmes aiming to assist criminal justice authorities from different countries to reinforce their capacities when dealing with cybercrime and electronic evidence.

On the occasion of the Council of Europe's celebration, C-PROC invites public and private partners from Romania, as well as international partners to discuss on the increasing threats and trends on cybercrime and online child exploitation both globally and in Romania.

Romanian authorities have benefitted from support in developing their capacities to fight cybercrime during the first phase of the Council's Global Project on Cybercrime (2006-2009). Currently, Romania developed from "a center of cybercrime" into a hub of expertise on fighting cyber-related threats, with Romanian experts from the public and private sectors consistently sharing their knowledge with other countries of the world in C-PROC's projects.

During this roundtable meeting, along with the Council of Europe's tools and initiatives in the field of cybercrime and electronic evidence, the speakers from Romanian partner organisations will provide further insights on the most significant current challenges they face in their work – such as live-streaming services used for the dissemination of child pornography – and growing threats in the digital world that require a strong and coordinated response, as in the case of online child sexual abuse or reports on cyberviolence.

The roundtable will include interventions from:

- Council of Europe (C-PROC)
- General Inspectorate of Romanian Police (Cybercrime Unit)
- The Romanian National Computer Security Incident Response Team (CERT-RO)
- Bitdefender
- UNICEF Romania
- Save the Children Romania

Media representatives are invited to participate in the roundtable. Contact for confirmations or requests for interviews: Ana ELEFTERESCU, Senior Project Officer, ana.elefterescu@coe.int, +40 212.017.836 / +40 744.213.067 or Irina DREXLER, Project Officer, irina.drexler@coe.int, +40 212.017.822.

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