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The <u>Cybercrime Programme Office of the Council of Europe</u> (C-PROC) is responsible for the management and implementation of capacity building projects on cybercrime and electronic evidence worldwide.

Capacity building is an essential part of the "framework of the Budapest Convention" consisting of a triad of

common standards (Convention on Cybercrime and its Protocols), follow up and assessments by the <u>Cybercrime</u> <u>Convention Committee</u> (T-CY) and capacity building by C-PROC.

Operational since 2014, it has since supported over 2700 activities benefitting some 140 countries in all regions of the world (see <u>inventory of C-PROC activities</u>). By mid-2025, seven projects with a combined budget of EUR 34.6 million were underway, including joint projects with the European Union and projects funded by voluntary contributions, covering different regions of the world (see <u>report of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe</u>).



With some of the current projects ending in 2026, the

preparation of proposals for new projects has commenced as reflected in the list of "pipeline projects" below. Priority needs to be addressed by these multi-lateral, regional and country-specific projects and for which extra-budgetary funding will need to be mobilised, include:

- Implementation of the standards of the Budapest Convention on Cybercrime and in particular of its Second Protocol on enhanced co-operation and disclosure of electronic evidence.
- Strengthening capacities to address the criminal use of virtual assets and online fraud.
- Strengthening cyber resilience (such countering ransomware and threats to cyber security).
- Addressing challenges of cybercrime and electronic evidence in relation to artificial intelligence.
- Support to the implementation of the United Nations treaty on cybercrime ("Hanoi Convention") with a focus on safeguards and consistency with the Budapest Convention.
- Fostering an effective response to cybercrime (including disinformation and interference with democracy) while protecting fundamental rights, in particular the freedom of expression.
- Protecting children against online sexual exploitation and abuse.
- Enhancing capacities to address cyberviolence.
- Further capacity building on cybercrime and electronic evidence in relation to war crimes.
- Strengthening capacities for criminal investigations, the identification of victims and the use of
 electronic evidence in relation to the trafficking in human beings and smuggling of persons.
- Complementing the project on Global Action on Cybercrime (GLACY-e) with "GLACY satellite projects" to address specific regional concerns.

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C-PROC: List of pipeline projects

PMM ref	Project title	Project area	Duration proposed		Estim. budget EUR
4131	AI Crime: Global project on cybercrime, e-evidence and artificial intelligence	Multilateral	01/10/2026	30/09/2029	4,000,000
4139	CyberVASP: Global project to strength capacities against the criminal use of virtual assets	Multilateral	01/01/2027	31/12/2029	4,000,000
4157	CyberVIO: Global project to support application of the Convention on Cybercrime, its Protocols and related standards to counter cyberviolence	Multilateral	01/07/2026	30/06/2029	4,000,000
4145	CyberUA-2: Project on enhancing expertise on electronic evidence of war crimes and gross human rights violations in Ukraine	Ukraine	01/01/2027	31/12/2030	5,000,000
4144	CyberEast_NEXT: Project on further action on cybercrime for cyber resilience in Eastern Partnership States	Eastern Europe	01/03/2027	31/12/2030	5,550,000
3529	CyberSouth+: Project on Enhanced co-operation on cybercrime and electronic evidence in the Southern Neighbourhood Region (cost extension)	MENA region	01/01/2027	31/12/2028	1,500,000
4154	CyberSPEX+: Project on Enhanced co-operation on e-evidence by EU Member States with other Parties through the Second Protocol	European Union	01/01/2027	31/12/2029	4,440,000
4140	CyberSEE-PRO: Project on a Proactive Response to cybercrime in South-East Europe and Türkiye	South-East Europe & Türkiye	01/07/2027	31/12/2030	5,550,000
3978	GLACY-FOA: Action on targeting online fraud and online crime proceeds in West and Central Africa (GLACY "satellite" project)	West and Central Africa	01/10/2025	30/09/2028	5,550,000
4146	GLACY-Express: Project on cybercrime and the freedom of expression in Africa (GLACY "satellite" project)	Africa	01/07/2026	30/06/2029	4,440,000
4132	GLACY-Traffic: Project on cybercrime, electronic evidence and trafficking in human beings as well as the smuggling of persons (GLACY "satellite" project)	Multilateral	01/01/2027	31/12/2029	7,770,000
4148	GLACY-CAR: Project on cybercrime and the rule of law in Central Asia (GLACY "satellite" project)	Central Asia	01/05/2026	30/04/2029	3,330,000
4149	GLACY-Children: Project on strengthening capacities against online exploitation of children in Asia (GLACY "satellite" project)	Asia	01/10/2026	30/09/2029	5,550,000
4150	GLACY-CARIB: Project on enhanced co-operation on cybercrime and cyberviolence in the Caribbean region (GLACY "satellite" project)	Caribbean	01/07/2026	30/06/2029	4,440,000
4151	GLACY-BLUE: Project on cybercrime and electronic evidence in the Pacific (GLACY "satellite" project)	Pacific	01/05/2026	30/04/2029	5,550,000
4153	GLACY-LAP: Project on enhanced co-operation and disclosure of electronic evidence on the basis of the Second Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime in Latin America (GLACY "satellite" project)	Latin America	01/05/2026	30/04/2029	5,550,000