

# CYBERCRIME@COE UPDATE

January – March 2025

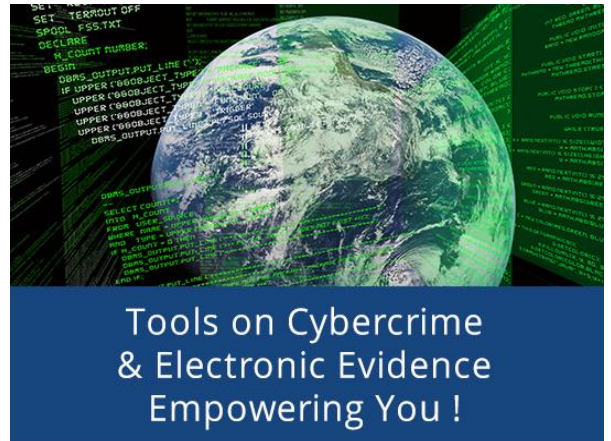
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## Contribute to the Cyberviolence Resource

The [Cyberviolence Resource](#) aims to provide information on existing policies, strategies, preventive, protective and criminal justice measures taken by public sector, civil society and private sector organisations, following up on the [T-CY Mapping Study on Cyberviolence](#).

## Save the date!

- 2 – 3 June 2025: [32<sup>nd</sup> T-CY Plenary](#), Strasbourg, France, and online
- 4 – 5 June 2025: [Octopus Conference](#), Strasbourg, France, and online
- 6 June 2025, [CyberSEE Project](#) Steering Committee Meeting
- 6 June 2025, [GLACY-e Project](#) 3<sup>rd</sup> Steering Committee Meeting
- 6 June 2025, [CyberSouth+](#) Project 2<sup>nd</sup> Steering Committee Meeting

## UPDATE: Budapest Convention and Cybercrime Convention Committee (T-CY)

### Budapest Convention on Cybercrime

**Opened for signature:** 23 November 2001

**Parties as of 31 March 2025:** 78

**Signatories and States invited to accede as of 31 March 2025:** 17

### T-CY

**Members as of 31 March 2025:** 78 States Parties

**Observer States as of 31 March 2025:** 17

**Observer Organisations as of 31 March 2025:** 11

Strasbourg, FRANCE, 7 January 2025

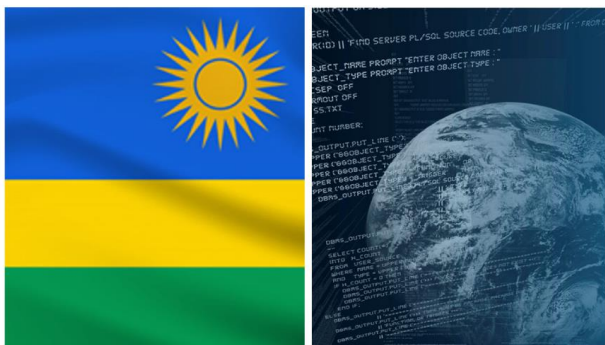
Application of the First Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime extended to Curaçao



On 7 January 2025, the Permanent Representation of the Netherlands has deposited the instrument of acceptance by the Netherlands, for Curaçao, of the [First Additional Protocol](#) to the [Convention on Cybercrime \(Budapest Convention\)](#), concerning the criminalisation of acts of a racist and xenophobic nature committed through computer systems (ETS 189). This follows the [application of the Budapest Convention having been extended to Curaçao](#) in June 2024, marking the first time the Convention was extended by a Party to any other territory. The declaration of territorial application will enter into force with respect of Curaçao on 1 May 2025. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 10 January 2025

Rwanda becomes the 78<sup>th</sup> Party to the Convention on Cybercrime and accedes to the First Protocol



On 10 January 2025, Rwanda deposited the instrument of accession to the Convention on Cybercrime (ETS 185), as well as its Additional Protocol to the Convention on cybercrime,

concerning the criminalisation of acts of a racist and xenophobic nature committed through computer systems (ETS 189). The Council of Europe will continue to support Rwandan authorities in advancing further reforms of domestic legislation to facilitate the implementation of the Convention on Cybercrime. With Rwanda's accession, 78 States are now Parties, two have signed it and 15 have been invited to accede to the Convention. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 27 March 2025

Latvia becomes the 49<sup>th</sup> State to sign the Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime



Today, 27 March 2025, H.E. Ms Inese LĪBIŅA-EGNERE, Latvian Ministry of Justice, signed the [Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime](#), on enhanced co-operation and disclosure of electronic evidence. The event took place in Strasbourg in the presence of Alain Berset, Secretary General of the Council of Europe. With this, the Protocol now has 49 signatories (2 ratifications and 47 signatures not yet followed by ratification).

The Second Additional Protocol was opened for signature on 12 May 2022 within the framework of an [international conference in Strasbourg](#), France. It offers innovative tools, such as direct cooperation with registrars and service providers in other Parties or expedited means of cooperation in emergency situations. Efficient and effective tools for cooperation are backed up by a strong system of human rights and rule of law safeguards, including for the protection of personal data. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

## UPDATE: Joint Project Initiatives

### Projects: GLACY-e, CyberEast+, CyberSEE, CyberSouth+, CyberSPEX, CyberUkraine and Octopus

The Hague, THE NETHERLANDS, 20-21 January 2025

*In-person* | CyberSPEX & CyberSEE: Online Workshop on the implementation of the Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention)



On 20 and 21 January 2025, the CyberSPEX project, in collaboration with the European Judicial Cybercrime Network (EJCN), and the CyberSEE project, organised in the Hague the Workshop for practitioners on the procedures for cooperation under the Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention). [\[READ MORE\]](#)

Bucharest, ROMANIA, 28 January 2025

*In person* | Council of Europe and Romanian Ministry of Justice: steps forward for combating cybercrime and collection of electronic evidence



On 28 January 2025, a delegation of the Cybercrime Programme Office of the Council of Europe (C-PROC), based in Bucharest met the Minister of Justice of Romania, Radu Marinescu, to discuss further cooperation on cybercrime. The meeting was an opportunity to recall the work of C-PROC, the significant role of the Ministry of Justice within the Cybercrime Convention Committee (T-CY). [\[READ MORE\]](#)

Strasbourg, FRANCE, 3 March 2025

*In person* | Octopus Conference 2025: Registration is now open!



Registration is now open for this year's Octopus Conference, which will take place between 4-6 June, in Strasbourg, France!

[Registration form](#) to attend the Octopus Conference 2025. The conference will provide an opportunity to interface for cybercrime experts from public and private sectors as well as international and non-governmental organisations from all over the world. High-level interventions are envisaged. Main sessions will address artificial intelligence, cybercrime and e-evidence, cyber-interference with democracy, online fraud such as pig-butchering/romance scams, and implementing the Second Additional Protocol on enhanced cooperation and disclosure of e-evidence. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

### GLOBAL, 25 March 2025

*Online* | INJT: First 2025 practitioner-to-practitioner webinar highlights 24/7 Network's benefits



On 25 March 2025, [the International Network of National Judicial Trainers](#) (INJT) held its first 2025 practitioner-to-practitioner (P2P) webinar on the topic of international cooperation on cybercrime and electronic evidence, with a focus on the [24/7 Network](#) established under the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) (Budapest Convention). [\[READ MORE\]](#)

## UPDATE: Octopus Project

### Octopus project basics

**Duration:** January 2021 – December 2027

**Budget:** EUR 10 million

**Funding:** Voluntary contributions by Canada, France, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, United Kingdom, USA

**Participating countries/regions:** Global

STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 9 January 2025

*In person* | Octopus Project: United Kingdom makes a further voluntary contribution to the Octopus Project



The Government of the United Kingdom, as represented by the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, made a further voluntary contribution to the [Octopus Project](#) implemented by the Council of Europe. The contribution of up to GBP 100 000 is dedicated to supporting activities to be implemented from 1 June 2024 to 31 March 2025 under the framework of the Octopus Project. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 10 February 2025

*In person* | Octopus Project: Japan makes a further voluntary contribution to the Octopus Project



The Government of Japan has made another voluntary contribution to support the Council of Europe action against cybercrime through the [Octopus Project](#). The agreement was signed on 14 February 2025 by Ambassador Hiroyuki Uchida of Japan and Bjørn Berge, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe. The Octopus Project, funded by voluntary contributions from State Parties and Observers to the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) (Budapest Convention), supports countries worldwide in strengthening their criminal justice capacities in line with this treaty, its protocols and related standards. Japan is a [Party](#) to the

Convention on Cybercrime since 2012, and has also [signed](#) and ratified its Second Additional Protocol on electronic evidence. The Council of Europe welcomes the contribution of Japan to the Octopus Project. Given increasing demands, more resources are urgently needed. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

WORLDWIDE, 27 February 2025

*Online* | Octopus project: Third webinar in the series on the Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention) – practical implications for prosecutors

The third webinar in the series, jointly organised by the Council of Europe and the International Association of Prosecutors, with support from the CoE [Octopus Project](#) and the EU-CoE [GLACY-e](#) joint project, took place on 27 February 2025. The topic was “Co-operation in absence of applicable international agreements” and the discussions were joined by some 90 participants. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA, 25-28 March 2025

*In person* | Antigua and Barbuda enhances cybercrime response - training under the Octopus Project



The Ministry of Information Communication Technologies, Utilities and Energy of Antigua and Barbuda, in cooperation with the [Octopus Project](#) of the Council of Europe, organised the Introductory course on cybercrime and e-evidence for the authorities of Antigua and Barbuda. Along four-day learning session, international subject-matter experts introduced the participants of various stakeholders procedures for investigating cybercrime and collecting e-evidence, technologies and their role in securing and obtaining electronic evidence and measures for international cooperation, resulting in increased knowledge and skills on cybercrime and e-evidence. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

GRENADA, 25-28 March 2025

WORLDWIDE, JANUARY 2025

*In person* | Grenada hosts cybercrime and electronic evidence training under the Octopus Project



Between 25-28 March, 2025, Grenada hosted a four-day training course on cybercrime and electronic evidence.

Approximately 20 representatives of prosecution, law enforcement, Ministry of ICT, FIU and CERT attended the event. This was the first in-country activity organised by the C-PROC following accession by Grenada to the Budapest Convention. The Council of Europe under Octopus Project funded by voluntary contributions will continue supporting Grenada and other countries in the Caribbean region interested in the framework of the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention).

WORLDWIDE, January-March 2025

*Online* | Octopus Project – Cyberviolence Resource maintained and updated. Questionnaire prepared.



The Cyberviolence Resource is one of the online tools initiated through the Octopus Project of the Council of Europe's Cybercrime Division, bringing together the work of colleagues from across sectors within the Organisation. A questionnaire on cyberviolence offences was finalised in view of being submitted to Parties to the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) (Budapest Convention). The aim of the questionnaire is to collect information that can provide an overview of [domestic criminal legislation](#) in relation to specific offences and responses to cyberviolence, with a view to updating the Council of Europe Cyberviolence Resource website. [[READ MORE](#)]



## ONLINE TRAINING PLATFORM

CYBOX - Online platform for exchange, training, and resource sharing on cybercrime and electronic evidence

Registrations are open to the [CYBOX platform](#).

Designed as a multi-tenancy solution leveraging the widely recognised Moodle Workplace platform, CYBOX introduces a new approach for C-PROC to capacity-building and training.

CYBOX functions as a virtual hub for training on cybercrime and electronic evidence, offering tools to deliver both live and self-paced training activities. Institutions can create their own courses, manage enrolment, and organize virtual classrooms, making the platform a flexible solution for training and capacity building.

Beyond this, CYBOX acts as a central repository of cybercrime-related reference and training materials. Over time, this shared knowledge base will grow and serve as a valuable resource for trainers and practitioners around the world.

For countries or institutions interested to have their own tenant on the platform, it would be possible to:

- create a branded space for your institution;
- enrich your on- and offline trainings with a central platform for information exchange;
- facilitate training deliveries with virtual classrooms, tutorials, forums, assessments, evaluations, etc. and much more;
- build spaces for working groups and communities
- configure custom automated reports for your activities

Ultimately, CYBOX is designed to serve two main purposes: a repository of key materials, and a learning management system for C-PROC and partner countries.

We encourage you to share training materials on CYBOX's repository. Materials can be shared either within a specific country tenant (i.e., accessible only for the users of a particular country who has set up the tenant) or with the CYBOX global community.

## UPDATE: Global Action on Cybercrime Enhanced (GLACY-e)

### GLACY-e basics

**Duration:** August 2023 - 31 January 2026

**Budget:** EUR 5,556,000

**Funding:** Joint project of the European Union (Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument – NDICI – Global Europe) and the Council of Europe

**Participating countries:** Global

**Implementation:** Cybercrime Programme Office (C-PROC) of the Council of Europe and INTERPOL

Online, 15 January 2025

*Online* | GLACY-e: 2nd Steering Committee plans ahead first semester of 2025



On 15 January 2025, the GLACY-e project held its second Steering Committee. The event was held online and gathered national coordinators from 25 countries as well as representatives of The European Commission, INTERPOL and The Council of Europe. The meeting was organised in two similar slots taking place in the morning and afternoon, allowing the attendance of participants from different geographical zones. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

Bangkok, THAILAND, 24-28 February 2025

*In person* | Operation SECURE: Strengthening Cybersecurity in Asia and the South Pacific



Between 24 - 28 February 2025, the GLACY-e project, a joint initiative of the European Union and the Council of Europe, together with INTERPOL's Cybercrime Directorate – Asia and South Pacific Desk and with the financial support from the UK Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO), organised Operation SECURE event, in Bangkok, Thailand. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

Cotonou, BENIN, 27-28 February 2025

*In person* | GLACY-e: Workshop on the Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime in Benin



Participants gained valuable insights into key provisions of the Second Additional Protocol, such as requests for domain name registration, expedited disclosure of stored computer data in emergencies, the set-up of joint investigation teams, and key principles for data protection, among other topics. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

Nairobi, KENYA, 210-11 March 2025

*In person* | GLACY-e: Capacity-building actions on cybercrime and electronic evidence identified in Kenya



Participants gained a better understanding of the opportunities and benefits in being an elected country under GLACY-e project. Moreover, concrete capacity building needs were identified in areas such as cybercrime policy and legislation as well as training for the judiciary, prosecution and law enforcement authorities. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

## UPDATE: Enhanced action on cybercrime for cyber resilience in Eastern Partnership States (CyberEast+)

### CyberEast+ basics

**Duration:** 1 March 2024 – 28 February 2027

**Budget:** EUR 3.9 million (EU 90%, COE 10%)

**Funding:** European Union and the Council of Europe

**Participating countries:** Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine

**Implementation:** Cybercrime Programme Office (C-PROC) of the Council of Europe

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM, 20-21 February 2025

*In person* | CYBEREAST+: Eastern Partnership representatives discussed the implementation of the Second Additional Protocol, in light of EU requirements



Members of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Justice, Prosecutor General's Offices, National Police, Ministry of Interior and Specialised investigative services/agencies from five Eastern Partnership partners met in Brussels to discuss the tools for enhanced co-operation and disclosure of electronic evidence under the [Second Additional Protocol](#) to the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) (Budapest Convention). This regional workshop was organised by the [CyberEast+](#), a joint venture of the European Union and of the Council of Europe.

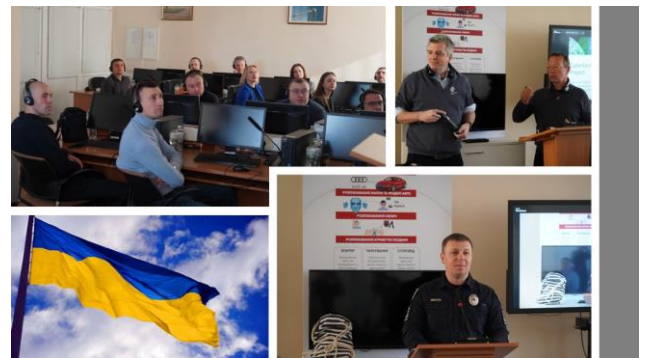
This regional workshop was extremely beneficial to the partner authorities from the three candidate countries to the European Union, in view of their future accession to the EU. The exchanges focused on the implementation of the Second Additional Protocol into the respective national legislations, with a view to EU-specific requirements in place put forward by the EU Council decision 2023/436.

Project partners from Armenia and Azerbaijan exchanged views and best practices with the Eastern Partnership countries in attendance. They also discussed the advantages and potential drawbacks of aligning with the EU-derived requirements applicable to the implementation of the Second Protocol in their countries. This is expected to bring better harmonisation to implementing the Second Protocol in region's countries. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

KYIV, UKRAINE, 25 -28 February 2025

*In person* | CYBEREAST+: Course for First Responders to cybercrime and electronic evidence for Ukrainian law enforcement

Between 25 and 28 February 2025, in collaboration with the [Academy of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine](#), the joint European Union and Council of Europe [CyberEast+](#) project delivered the four-day, full-scale Training of First Responders to Cybercrime and Electronic Evidence for law enforcement officers of Ukraine.



The event brought together academic staff of higher education institutions of Ukraine and representatives of law enforcement units, coordinated by the [Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine](#). Representatives of the Main Investigation Department of the [National Police of Ukraine](#), the Cyber Police, and the Bureau of Economic Security of Ukraine, in attendance, focused on international standards and good practices for countering cybercrime and collecting electronic evidence.

International consultants from the Netherlands and the United Kingdom shared their knowledge on electronic evidence exchange and inter-agency co-operation. The course for First Responders, developed by the Council of Europe, introduced participants to basics of cybercrime, electronic evidence and technology in criminal investigations, as well as tested their practical skills with a computer search and seizure scenario. Participants received recent legislation updates related to the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention) and its Second Additional Protocol, on enhanced co-operation and exchange of electronic evidence. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

## BAKU, AZERBAIJAN, 6-7 March 2025

*In person* | CYBEREAST+: Azerbaijani stakeholders discussed cybercrime legislation reforms in light of the Second Additional Protocol



Effective response to the challenges of cybercrime and e-evidence were at the forefront of the Meeting on cybercrime legislation reforms and the [Second Additional Protocol](#), organised by the [CyberEast+](#) Project, a joint venture of the European Union and of the Council of Europe, in Baku, Azerbaijan.

In her opening remarks, the Head of Division of International Organisations from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Azerbaijan remarked that: “The accession of Azerbaijan to the Budapest Convention on Cybercrime should be noted as the most important legislative measure in implementing international law on combating cybercrime into the sectoral legislation of our country. Since joining the Convention in 2009, Azerbaijan has made relevant amendments to its legislation, including the Criminal Code, and has taken necessary measures. Furthermore, work is currently underway to introduce appropriate changes to national legislation concerning electronic evidence.”

Representatives of the Ministry of Digital Development and Transport, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ministry of Justice, State Security Service, Special Communication and Information Security State Service and the Prosecutor General's Office provided updates of the state of play in terms of cybercrime legislation reforms and discussed the possible signature and implementation of the Second Additional Protocol. Specifically, Azerbaijani counterparts were interested in the benefits of direct cooperation with internet service providers (Articles 6 and 7), international cooperation between authorities for data disclosure (Articles 8, 9 and 10) and international cooperation in the absence of applicable international agreements (Articles 11 and 12). The adequate conditions and safeguards for the protection of human rights and liberties (Article 13) were also envisaged. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

## YEREVAN, ARMENIA, 11-13 March 2025

*In person* | CYBEREAST+: Armenian project partners test interagency co-operation on cybercrime and electronic evidence during national exercise on handling cybersecurity breaches

Between 11 and 13 March 2025 [CyberEast+](#), a joint endeavour of the Council of Europe and of the European Union, organised the first session of national exercises on cybercrime/incident investigations, computer forensics and interagency co-operation, targeting law enforcement, prosecutors and the cybersecurity community of the Republic of Armenia.

Representatives of the National Police, the Investigative Committee, the Prosecutor General's Office, alongside members of the Information Systems Agency of Armenia, delegates of the National Security Service, the Ministry of High-Tech Industry and Internet service providers analysed a technical case scenario featuring a data breach, followed by a ransomware attack. The participants worked in teams to devise an investigation plan, conducted the inquiry and secured electronic evidence, in line with the requirements of the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) (Budapest Convention) and its related standards. Co-operation with Internet service providers was an important component of this exercise.



On the final day of the event, participants presented their findings, discussed the challenges faced during the investigation and shared good practices for successful prosecution of cybercrime offences.

The CyberEast+ project will continue to strengthen the capacities of criminal justice authorities in Armenia, through sustainable training frameworks, specialised trainings and further practical exercises. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

## UPDATE: CyberSouth+ project on enhanced cooperation on cybercrime and electronic evidence in the Southern Neighbourhood Region

### CyberSouth+ basics

**Duration:** January 2024 – December 2026

**Budget:** EUR 3.890 million

**Funding:** Joint project of the European Union and the Council of Europe

**Participating countries:** Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine\* and Tunisia

**Implementation:** Cybercrime Programme Office (C-PROC) of the Council of Europe

*\* This designation shall not be construed as recognition of a State of Palestine and is without prejudice to the individual positions of Council of Europe and European Union member States on this issue.*

Regional workshop, 4 February 2025

**Online** | CyberSouth+: Regional workshop on national guides/manual for judicial training on cybercrime and electronic evidence



The CyberSouth+ joint initiative of the European Union and the Council of Europe organised an online workshop for the Judicial Academies and Training Departments of Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine\* and Tunisia aimed at discussing the existing educational programmes on cybercrime and electronic evidence for magistrates and identification of possible gaps to be addressed. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

Algiers, ALGERIA, 11-12 February 2025

**In person** | CyberSouth+: Pilot Edition of Training on Investigating OCSEA for Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Representatives in Algeria



The CyberSouth+ project supported the delivery of a hands-on training on investigating Online Child Sexual Abuse and

Exploitation (OCSEA) in Algiers, Algeria. Designed as an interactive learning experience, the training empowered participants to engage in practical exercises and discussions that reflected real-world challenges in investigation of online child sexual abuse and exploitation (OCSEA) cases. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

Paris, FRANCE, 11-12 February 2025

**In person** | CyberSouth+: Exchange of good practices in digital forensics for Moroccan authorities through a study visit

On 11-12 February 2025, the CyberSouth+ joint initiative of the European Union and the Council of Europe, with the support of France's Ministry of the Interior and its Cyberspace Command, organised a highly impactful study visit to France's specialised forensic laboratories for a delegation of Moroccan criminal justice professionals.



This delegation, representing Morocco's national authorities responsible for combating cybercrime, was provided with a comprehensive overview of the institutional structures, tools, methodologies, and procedures used by French institutions in the field of digital forensics. The visit offered a unique opportunity for knowledge-sharing, fostering collaboration and strengthening technical expertise. As a Party to the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention), Morocco is deeply committed to enhancing its national response to cybercrime. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

Tanger, MOROCCO, 24-27 February 2025

*In person* | CyberSouth+: Advanced judicial training on cybercrime and electronic evidence for magistrates in Morocco

Some 32 Moroccan prosecutors and judges participated in the advanced judicial training organised by the CyberSouth+ project, a joint initiative of the European Union and the Council of Europe, in cooperation with the High Institute of Magistrates of Morocco, in Tangier, on 24-27 February 2025.



This course follows on the basic judicial training on cybercrime and electronic evidence held in June 2024, in Tangier, which was complemented by the training of trainers which took place later in October 2024, in Rabat. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

Rabat, MOROCCO, 18 February 2025

*In person* | CyberSouth+: Conference on the Exploitation and Online Sexual Abuse of Children

On 18 February 2025, CyberSouth+, joint initiative of the European Union and the Council of Europe, with the support of Council of Europe's Children's Rights Division and MA-JUST programme organised a conference on "Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse" (OCSEA) in Rabat, Morocco.



The aim of the conference was to bring together representatives of the criminal justice authorities, service providers, and the civil society, to facilitate the discussion on protection of children against sexual exploitation and abuse in online space. Moreover, the conference was an opportunity to examine national legislation and capacities to protect children online and facilitate the exchange of experiences and good practices. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

Rabat, MOROCCO, 19-20 February 2025

*In person* | CyberSouth+: Training on investigating OCSEA for law enforcement and criminal justice representatives in Morocco

On 19-20 February 2025, the CyberSouth+ joint initiative of the European Union and the Council of Europe, with the support of MA-JUST programme, supported the delivery of a hands-on training on investigating Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (OCSEA) in Rabat, Morocco.



Through hands-on exercises and in-depth discussions, attendees explored key topics such as identifying victims and offenders from previously undiscovered OCSEA materials, navigating legal processes for obtaining data from international service providers, and conducting sensitive victim interviews. The participants representing Ministry of Justice and Gendermerie Royale fostered their knowledge and skills on investigative steps and international cooperation for collecting evidence in OCSEA cases, by following legal and technical sessions. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

## UPDATE: Enhanced co-operation on e-evidence by EU Member States through the Second Protocol to the Budapest Convention (CyberSPEX)

### CyberSPEX basics

**Duration:** 1 March 2024 – 28 February 2026

**Budget:** EUR 2.23 million

**Funding:** European Union (90%), Council of Europe (10%)

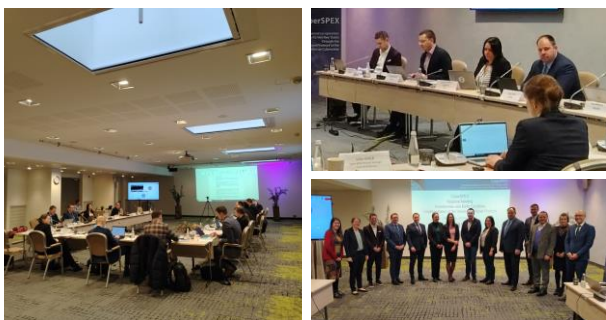
**Participating countries:** European Union Member States

TALLINN, ESTONIA, 12-13 February 2025

*In-person* | CyberSPEX: Regional Meeting in support of the implementation of the Second Additional Protocol to the Budapest Convention, Baltic and Scandinavian countries

The [CyberSPEX](#) joint project of the European Union and the Council of Europe facilitated the organisation of a series of Regional Meetings on the implementation of the [Second Additional Protocol](#) to the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention).

The first meeting, on 12 and 13 February 2025, held in Tallinn, Estonia, gathered Ministry of Justice representatives, advisors and practitioners involved in the domestic legislative process from Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania and Sweden.



The meeting allowed an exchange of views and good practices on the tools and mechanisms offered by the Second Additional Protocol with neighbouring countries sharing longstanding cross-border cooperation, similar legal cultures and sometimes facing the same legal challenges. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

ROME, ITALY, 27-28 February 2025

*In-person* | CyberSPEX: Regional Meeting in support of the implementation of the Second Additional Protocol to the Budapest Convention, Mediterranean countries

On 27 and 28 February 2025, the [CyberSPEX](#) project, a joint initiative of the European Commission and the Council of Europe, held the second regional meeting in Rome, Italy.

The participants were representatives from Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Malta, Portugal and Spain.



The regional meetings offered the opportunity to follow a tailored approach to the needs of the EU member States, with more time allocated for comprehensive discussions, in-depth exchange of knowledge and practical approaches to the provisions of the Second Additional Protocol. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

## UPDATE: CyberSEE Project on enhanced action on cybercrime and electronic evidence in South-East Europe and Türkiye

### CyberSEE basics

**Duration:** January 2024 – June 2027

**Budget:** EUR 5.550 million

**Funding:** Joint project of the European Union (DG NEAR) and the Council of Europe

**Participating countries:** Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Türkiye and Kosovo\*

\* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.

SARAJEVO, BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA, 4 March 2025

*In person* | CyberSEE: Bosnia and Herzegovina moves towards the signature and implementation of the Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime

On 4 March 2025, the European Union-Council of Europe joint project [CyberSEE](#), in cooperation with the criminal justice authorities of Bosnia and Herzegovina, organised a high-level domestic workshop in Sarajevo in support of the country's efforts towards the signature and implementation of the [Second Additional Protocol](#) (2AP) to the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) (Budapest Convention).

The workshop brought together high-level officials of the Ministry of Security, Ministry of Justice, draft legislators, Ministry of Interior, Prosecutors and Judges, [24/7 Contact Point](#) from Bosnia and Herzegovina with experts from the [Council of Europe's Cybercrime Programme Office \(C-PROC\)](#), the Council of Europe Office in Sarajevo, the European Union Delegation to Bosnia and Herzegovina and the [EU Police Assistance project for Bosnia and Herzegovina \(EUPA4BiH\)](#).



The discussions focused on the key provisions and benefits of the 2AP, particularly the enhanced cooperation mechanisms for accessing electronic evidence across borders. The experts outlined the legal steps for Bosnia and Herzegovina to sign and implement the Protocol, also by observing the recommendations for the EU member states according to the [EU Council Decision 2023/436](#), and addressed national challenges encountered during cybercrime investigations. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

GLOBAL, Nominations: by 1 March 2025; Applications: by 15 April 2025

*In person* | Empowering Experts: C-PROC Launches the First Cyber-Skills Sharing Programme!

Exciting news for the cybercrime experts: the [Cybercrime Programme Office \(C-PROC\)](#), through the [CyberSEE](#) joint project of the European Union and the Council of Europe, is launching the first edition of the Cyber-Skills Sharing Programme! This initiative aims to enhance global collaboration and strengthen efforts to combat cybercrime.



The Programme will bring together cybercrime practitioners from 50 countries, including law enforcement agencies, 24/7 Points of Contact, representatives from Ministries of Justice and Prosecution, Financial Intelligence Units (FIUs), and judicial and law enforcement training institutions. Through bilateral exchanges, participants will share good practices, enhance technical capabilities, and foster international cooperation on cybercrime and electronic evidence. By supporting the international sharing of practitioners' skills and expertise, the programme contributes to the global efforts to fight against cybercrime as to ensure a more secure cyberspace.

One of the first enrolled participants, Olivije Zimonja, Head of Cybercrime Division in Bosnia and Herzegovina, expressed his enthusiasm and expectations: *"I believe this programme is a great opportunity to exchange knowledge, gain new skills and connect with cybercrime experts. Learning from different institutions' approaches will enhance my expertise and benefit my institution. Practical case exchanges are the most effective way to learn, and I look forward to applying these insights to strengthen our national fight against cybercrime."* [\[READ MORE\]](#)

## Inventory of activities (January – March 2025)

## January 2025

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| CyberSouth+            | Training on OCSEA with Council of Europe Office Tunis, Tunisia, in person, 9 January                                                                                                                    |
| T-CY                   | An interconnected world, a common threat: strengthening international cooperation against cybercrime”, Seminar organised by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Paris, France, in person, 9 January        |
| CyberSouth+            | Momentum MENA 3rd Steering Committee Meeting, <i>online</i> , 14 January                                                                                                                                |
| GLACY-e                | Second Project Steering Committee Meeting, <i>online</i> , 15 January                                                                                                                                   |
| CyberSouth+            | Training on OCSEA with CoE Tunis, Sousse, Tunisia, hybrid, 16-17 January                                                                                                                                |
| CyberSEE,<br>CyberSPEX | Workshop for Practitioners on the procedures for cooperation under the Second Additional Protocol, CyberSPEX and European Judicial Crime Network (EJCN), 20-21 January 2025, The Hague, The Netherlands |
| GLACY-e                | Support for the national delivery of the introductory course (second batch), Lima, Peru, in person, 21-23 January;                                                                                      |
| GLACY-e                | Support participation in the Workshop on international cooperation on cybercrime organised by BEPI project, Senegal, in person 28-30 January;                                                           |
| CyberSEE               | Assessment of the Albanian national legislation, benchmarked against SAP provisions, November 2024 – March 2025, <i>online</i>                                                                          |
| CyberSEE               | Provide guidance to the Albanian national working group to draft the ratification law and the necessary amendments to existing national legal framework, November 2024 – June 2025, <i>online</i>       |
| Octopus Project        | CYBOX Platform open for registrations. Onboarding of C-PROC projects, <i>online</i> , January-March 2025                                                                                                |
| Octopus Project        | Updating the Cyberviolence Resource and Questionnaire on Cyberviolence Offences, <i>online</i> , January 2025                                                                                           |

## February 2025

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| CyberSouth+ | Regional workshop on national guide/manual, <i>online</i> , 4 February 2025                                                                   |
| CyberEast+  | Advanced cybercrime training: Virtual Currencies and Darknet, Republic of Moldova, in person, 4-6 February 2025                               |
| CyberEast+  | HELP course for defence attorneys, Armenia, in person, 10-12 February 2025                                                                    |
| CyberSouth+ | Visit of Paris Labs Moroccan delegation, in person, 10-12 February 2025, Paris, France                                                        |
| CyberSouth+ | National training course on OCSEA for LEA and other relevant criminal justice professionals, in person, 11-13 February 2025, Algiers, Algeria |

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| CyberSPEX            | Regional Meeting in support of the implementation of the Second Additional Protocol to the Budapest Convention, Baltic and Scandinavian countries, Estonia, in person, 12-13 February 2025 |
| CyberEast+           | Discussions on the Second Additional Protocol, Armenia, in person, 13-14 February 2025                                                                                                     |
| CyberSouth+          | Conference & Workshop on OCSEA, Maroc, in person, 18-21 February 2025                                                                                                                      |
| CyberEast+           | Review of reporting systems, Republic of Moldova, in person, 20-21 February 2025                                                                                                           |
| CyberEast+           | Regional Meeting on Second Protocol with focus on requirements for the EU candidates, Belgium, in person, 20-21 February 2025                                                              |
| GLACY-e              | Command and Coordination Centre (CCC), Tabletop Exercise (TTX) and Operations Meeting SECURE, Thailand, in person, 24-28 February 2025                                                     |
| CyberEast+           | Regular cybercrime training: ToT Cyber Police, basic level, Ukraine, in person, 25-28 February 2025                                                                                        |
| GLACY-e              | Support to the legislative reform: Awareness raising workshop on the Second Additional Protocol, Benin, in person, 27-28 February 2025                                                     |
| Octopus Project, IAP | Third webinar in the series on the Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention) – practical implications for prosecutors, online, 27 February 2025     |
| CyberSPEX            | Regional Meeting in support of the implementation of the Second Additional Protocol to the Budapest Convention, Mediterranean countries, Italy, in person, 28-28 February 2025             |
| <b>March 2025</b>    |                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| CyberSEE             | Domestic meeting with BiH relevant institutions dedicated on the details of the SAP, 4 March 2025, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina                                                        |
| CyberEast+           | Training on ransomware investigations (customized CoE course and manual), Armenia, in person, 4-5 March 2025                                                                               |
| CyberSouth+          | 2nd EuroMed Justice Steering Committee, 5 March 2025                                                                                                                                       |
| CyberEast+           | Meeting on cybercrime legislation reforms / Workshop on the Second Protocol / Project country team coordination, Azerbaijan, in person, 6-7 March 2025                                     |
| CyberSEE             | Participation in the Digital Crimes Consortium, 10-13 March 2025, Athens, Greece                                                                                                           |
| GLACY-e              | Initial Assessment, Kenya, in person, 10-11 March 2025                                                                                                                                     |
| CyberEast+           | National exercise on investigation, forensics and interagency cooperation, Armenia, in person, 11-13 March 2025                                                                            |
| Octopus Project      | Legislation drafting workshop, Burabay, Kazakhstan, in person, 11-14 March 2025                                                                                                            |
| GLACY-e              | E-evidence training first responders course, Kenya, in person, 11-14 March 2025                                                                                                            |

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| CyberEast+      | Training on SOPs - Use of compatible tools for handling and forensics producing admissible evidence, Republic of Moldova, in person, 17-18 March 2025 |
| GLACY-e         | Advisory workshop on mainstreaming the cybercrime training modules in the curricula, Colombia, online, 19 March 2025                                  |
| CyberEast+      | Discussions on Second Additional Protocol, Republic of Moldova, in person, 20-21 March 2025                                                           |
| C-PROC          | P2P webinar on 24/7 Network of the Convention on Cybercrime, International Network of Judicial Trainers, 25 March 2025                                |
| Octopus Project | Antigua and Barbuda enhances cybercrime response by training under the Octopus Project, in person, 25-28 March 2025                                   |
| Octopus Project | Grenada enhances cybercrime response through the introductory judicial training under the Octopus Project, in person, 25-28 March 2025                |
| GLACY-e         | Participation in the Capacity Building Seminar for Latin American countries, organized by Czechia, Brazil, in person, 26-28 March 2025                |
| CyberEast+      | Review of reporting systems, Republic of Moldova, in person, 27-28 March 2025                                                                         |
| CyberSEE        | Participation in the 25th OSCE Alliance against Trafficking in Persons conference, 31 Mar-1 April, Vienna, Austria                                    |
| Octopus Project | Legislative support to Seychelles, March 2025                                                                                                         |
| Octopus Project | Onboarding Maldives to the CYBOX platform in view of setting up a dedicated tenant for the training academy                                           |
| Octopus Project | Updating the Cyberviolence Resource, online, January-March 2025                                                                                       |

## Coming next (April-June 2025)

## April 2025

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| CyberSEE            | Regional judicial training on electronic evidence, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 1-4 April 2025                                                                                    |
| CyberSEE            | Domestic meeting with North Macedonian relevant institutions dedicated on the details of the SAP and roadmap of the legislative reform process, Skopje, North Macedonia, 3 April 2025, |
| C-PROC              | Regional Cybercrime Cooperation Exercise, Romania, in person, 7-11 April 2025                                                                                                          |
| GLACY-e             | Stakeholder workshop on the role and responsibilities of 24/7 POC, online, Benin/Cote Ivoire, 7 April 2025                                                                             |
| GLACY-e             | Support for 24/7 POC: SOPs, online, Fiji, 7 April 2025                                                                                                                                 |
| GLACY-e             | Awareness workshop with the legislators on Second Additional Protocol, Dominican Republic, in person, 7 April 2025                                                                     |
| GLACY-e             | Awareness workshop with Internet Service Providers on Second Additional Protocol, Dominican Republic, in person, 8 April 2025                                                          |
| CyberSEE, EUROJUST  | Workshop on cryptocurrencies, e-evidence and cooperation with service providers, with EUROJUST, Warsaw, Poland, 8-9 April 2025                                                         |
| CyberSouth+         | Online workshop on investigating virtual assets for law enforcement representatives and other relevant criminal justice professionals in Palestine*, online, 8-9 April 2025            |
| CyberSEE            | Domestic meeting on cybercrime training strategies at the Police Academy in Türkiye, 9 April 2025, Ankara, Türkiye                                                                     |
| CyberSEE            | Domestic meeting with Turkish Ministry of Justice and relevant institutions on legal reforms on cybercrime and electronic evidence, 10 April 2025, Ankara, Türkiye                     |
| CyberEast+          | Training organised for Ukraine: Malware and Network Investigations, Ukraine, in person, 14-16 April 2025                                                                               |
| GLACY-e             | Support to drafting SOPs - debriefing session with the working group, Sierra Leone, online, 15 April 2025                                                                              |
| CyberSEE, INTERPOL  | 41 <sup>st</sup> Operational Meeting of the INTERPOL Specialists Group on Crimes against Children, 14-18 April 2025, in person, Lyon, France                                           |
| CyberSouth+         | Regional workshop on the introduction of the First Protocol on Xenophobia and Racism on 15 April 2025, online                                                                          |
| CyberSouth+         | Training for first responders to cybercrime and electronic evidence for law enforcement representatives of Libya, Palestine* and Tunisia, in person, 15-16 April 2025, Tunisia.        |
| CyberEast+, GLACY-e | Contribution to the Cybercrime Conference in partnership with Cyber 4.0, Italy, in person, 16-17 April 2025                                                                            |

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| CyberEast+                 | Regional Meeting of Training Institutions on Cybercrime and Electronic Evidence, Republic of Moldova, in person, 24-25 April 2025                                                   |
| GLACY-e                    | Support for 24/7 POC: Standard Operating Procedures, Fiji, online, 24 April 2025                                                                                                    |
| GLACY-e                    | 10th Meeting of the Americas Working Group of Head of Units, Panama, in person, 28 April- 2 May 2025                                                                                |
| CyberEast+                 | Advanced cybercrime training: Virtual Currencies and Darknet, Azerbaijan, in person, 28-30 April 2025                                                                               |
| GLACY-e                    | Support to drafting SOPs - consultation and validation session with key stakeholders, Sierra Leone, in person, 29-30 April 2025                                                     |
| CyberEast+                 | Training on SOPs - Use of compatible tools for handling and forensics producing admissible evidence, Armenia, in person, 29-30 April 2025                                           |
| CyberSEE                   | Domestic meeting with Serbian relevant institutions dedicated on the details of the SAP and roadmap of the legislative reform process, April (TBD). Belgrade, Serbia                |
| CyberSEE                   | Assessment of the legislation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, benchmarked against SAP provisions, Mar-June 2025, online                                                                  |
| CyberSEE                   | Assessment of the North Macedonian national legislation, benchmarked against SAP provisions, Mar-June 2025, online                                                                  |
| CyberSEE                   | Provide guidance to the North Macedonian national working group on the necessary amendments to existing national legal framework to implement SAP provisions, Apr-June 2025, online |
| CyberSEE, AFP              | Cybercrime investigations course in cooperation with Australian Federal Police, April 2025, Croatia/Hu (tbd)                                                                        |
| Octopus Project, IAWJ, IAP | Webinars on cyberviolence and gender-based cybercrime in Southeast Asia, April 2025, online, date TBC                                                                               |
| Octopus Project            | Good practice Study on addressing non-consensual dissemination of intimate images, desk research, April - June 2025                                                                 |
| Octopus Project            | Monitoring and analysis for the online Cyberviolence Resource platform, January - March 2025                                                                                        |
| Octopus Project            | Further development of the CYBOX training platform, January - March 2025                                                                                                            |
| <b>May 2025</b>            |                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| CyberEast+                 | Training on application of cooperation provisions of the Budapest Convention and its Second Protocol, Azerbaijan, in person, 1-2 May 2025                                           |
| CyberEast+                 | Regular cybercrime training: ToT Cyber Police, intermediate level, Ukraine, in person, 5-7 May 2025                                                                                 |
| GLACY-e                    | ToT E-FIRST ECTEG Course, Cybercrime and digital forensics specialized training for law enforcement officers, Portugal, in person, 5-16 May                                         |

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| CyberSouth+            | Advanced training course on electronic evidence for judiciary, 5-8 May 2025, in person, Kolea, Algeria                                                                           |
| CyberSEE               | Domestic workshop to support the development of the Cybercrime Strategy in Serbia (2025 – 2028), 6 May 2025, Belgrade, Serbia                                                    |
| GLACY-e                | CiberRed Plenary, Portugal, in person, 12 May 2025                                                                                                                               |
| GLACY-e<br>CyberSPEX   | International conference on Second Additional Protocol, Portugal, in person, 12-13 May 2025                                                                                      |
| CyberSEE<br>CyberEast+ | Support participation in the European Dialogue on Internet Governance (EuroDIG), 12-15 May 2025, Strasbourg, France                                                              |
| CyberSEE,<br>EUROPOL   | "Victim identification task force 16" with EUROPL, AP Twins, 12-25 May 2025, The Hague, Netherlands                                                                              |
| GLACY-e                | G3CB Conference, Switzerland, in person, 14-15 May 2025                                                                                                                          |
| Octopus Project        | Advisory mission on cybercrime and e-evidence legislation in Malaysia, 14-16 May 2025                                                                                            |
| Octopus Project        | Regional conference for Southeast Asia countries on ransomware and cryptocurrency investigations, 19 May 2025                                                                    |
| CyberSouth+            | Advanced training course on electronic evidence for judiciary, 19-22 May 2025, in person, Amman, Jordan                                                                          |
| CyberSEE,<br>INTERPOL  | "Cyber Games" 2025 with INTERPOL, 19-23 May 2025, Malaysia (TBD)                                                                                                                 |
| GLACY-e                | Train the trainers - introductory course (at state level), Brazil, online, 19-30 May                                                                                             |
| GLACY-e                | Train the trainers - soft skills course (at state level), Brazil, online, 19-30 May                                                                                              |
| GLACY-e                | Digital Security Challenge and Cyber Games, Malaysia, in person, 19-22 May 2025                                                                                                  |
| CyberEast+             | HELP course for defence attorneys, Republic of Moldova, in person, 20-22 May 2025                                                                                                |
| C-PROC                 | Cyber Olympics with INTERPOL, Malaysia, <i>in person</i> , 20-23 May 2025                                                                                                        |
| CyberSouth+            | National training course on OCSEA for LEA and other relevant criminal justice professionals, in person, 27-28 May 2025, Cairo, Egypt                                             |
| CyberEast+             | Training on SOPs - Use of compatible tools for handling and forensics, producing admissible evidence, Ukraine, in person, 28-30 May 2025                                         |
| CyberSEE               | Domestic meeting with Montenegrin relevant institutions dedicated on the details of the SAP and roadmap of the legislative reform process, May 2025 (TBD), Podgorica, Montenegro |
| CyberSEE               | Assessment of the Montenegrin national legislation, benchmarked against SAP provisions, May-Aug 2025, online                                                                     |

CyberSEE Provide guidance to the Montenegrin national working group on the necessary amendments to existing national legal framework to implement SAP provisions, May-Aug 2025, online

CyberSEE Assessment of the Serbian national legislation, benchmarked against SAP provisions, May-Aug 2025, online

CyberSEE Provide guidance to the Serbian national working group on the necessary amendments to existing national legal framework to implement SAP provisions, May-Aug 2025, online

## June 2025

C-PROC 32<sup>nd</sup> Plenary of the T-CY, 2-3 June 2025, in person, Strasbourg, France

C-PROC Octopus Conference, 4-6 June 2025, in person, Strasbourg, France

CyberSEE Project 3<sup>rd</sup> Steering Committee Meeting, 6 June 2025, in person, Strasbourg, France

CyberSouth+ Second CyberSouth+ Steering Committee, , 6 June 2025, in person, Strasbourg, France

GLACY-e Project 3<sup>rd</sup> Steering Committee, 6 June 2025, in person, Strasbourg, France

CyberSEE, ISS ISS World workshops, 3-5 June 2025, Prague, Czechia

CyberEast+ National discussions on responsible reporting and cyberviolence: civil society, ISP and academia forum, Armenia, in person, 10-11 June 2025

GLACY-e Handbook on implementation of cybercrime laws: First in person meeting of the Drafting Subcommittee, Tonga (TBC), in person, 15-17 June 2025

CyberEast+ National discussions on responsible reporting and cyberviolence: civil society, ISP and academia forum, Azerbaijan, in person, 16-17 June 2025

CyberSEE Regional Conference on Cyberviolence Against Women, 17-18 June 2025 (tbd), Skopje, North Macedonia

CyberEast+ Advanced cybercrime training: OCSEA Investigations and OSINT, Armenia, in person, 18-20 June 2025

CyberEast+ Advanced judicial ToT with Institute of Justice, Republic of Moldova, in person, 24-27 June 2025

CyberEast+ AI showcase for Ukraine, Poland, in person, 26-27 June 2025

CyberSEE Workshop with Serbian national working group on the necessary amendments to existing legal framework to implement 2AP provisions, June 2025 (tbd), Belgrade, Serbia

CyberSEE Workshop with Albanian national key stakeholders to prepare the final draft laws to be submitted for further approval and potential adoption, June 2025, Tirana, Albania

CyberSEE Workshop with Montenegrin national working group on the necessary amendments to existing legal framework to implement SAP provisions, June 2025, Podgorica, Montenegro

CyberSEE Workshops with North Macedonian national working group on the necessary amendments to existing legal framework to implement SAP provisions, June 2025, Skopje, North Macedonia



## Inventory of capacity building projects

### Octopus Project

Duration: January 2021 – December 2027

Geographical scope: Global

Budget: EUR 10 million

Funding: Voluntary contributions by Canada, France Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, United Kingdom, USA

### CyberEast+

Duration: 1 March 2024 – 28 February 2027

Geographical scope: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine

Budget: EUR 3.9 million

Funding: European Union and the Council of Europe

### CyberSEE

Duration: January 2024 – June 2027

Geographical scope: South-eastern Europe and Türkiye

Budget: EUR: 5.550 million

Funding: Joint project of the European Union (DG NEAR) and the Council of Europe

### CyberSPEX

Duration: 1 March 2024 – 28 February 2026

Geographical scope: European Union Member States

Budget: EURO 2.23 million

Funding: European Union (90%), Council of Europe (10%)

### GLACY-e

Duration: August 2023 - 31 January 2026

Geographical scope: Global

Budget: EUR 5,556,000

Funding: Joint project of the European Union (Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation instrument – NDICI – Global Europe) and the Council of Europe

### CyberSouth+

Duration: January 2024 – December 2026

Geographical scope: Southern Neighbourhood region

Budget: EUR 3.890 million

Funding: Joint project of the European Union (European Neighbourhood Instrument) and the Council of Europe

### Octopus Project - CYBERKOP Action

Duration: 18 September 2023 - 18 March 2026

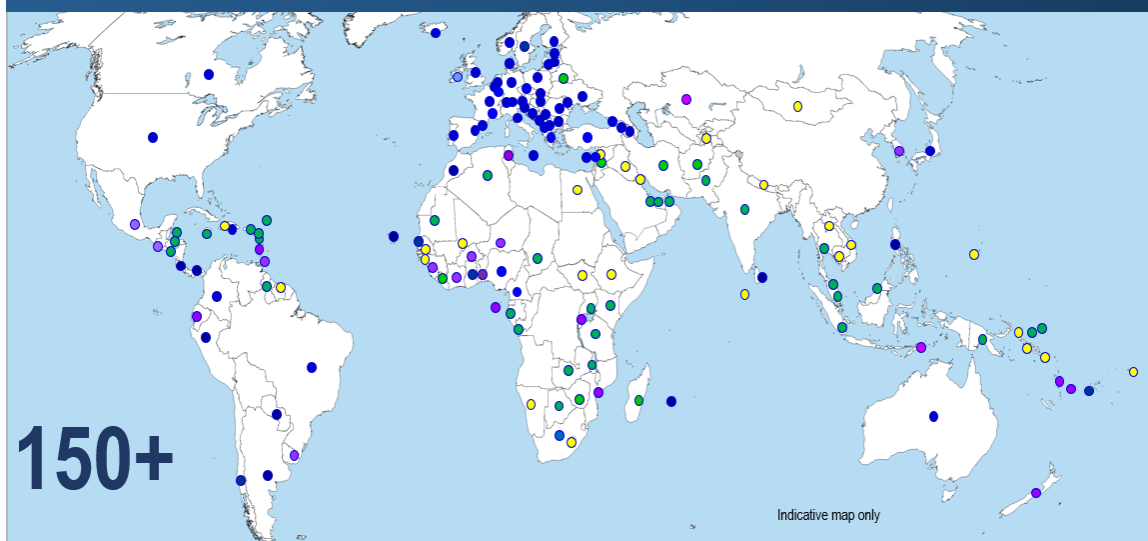
Geographical scope: Kosovo\*

Budget: EUR 750,000

Funding: US State Department, International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs

\*This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence

## Reach of the Convention on Cybercrime



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| Parties:           | 78 |                                                                              |     |     |
| Signed:            | 2  | Other States with substantive laws broadly in line with Budapest Convention: | 40+ |     |
| Invited to accede: | 15 | Further States drawing on Budapest Convention for legislation:               | 20+ |     |
| =                  | 95 |                                                                              | =   | 60+ |

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