

# CYBERCRIME@COE UPDATE

July – September 2026

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

### Convention on Cybercrime

**Opened for signature:** 23 November 2001

**Parties as of 30 September 2026:** 83

**Signatories and States invited to accede as of 30 September 2026:** 14

### T-CY

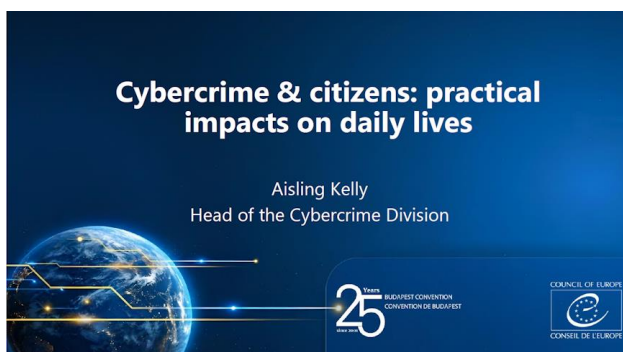
**Members as of 30 September 2026:** 83 States Parties

**Observer States as of 30 September 2026:** 14

**Observer Organisations as of 30 September 2026:** 13

**STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 17 September 2026**

**In-person | Cybercrime Briefing highlights impact on citizens and role of Budapest Convention and Second Additional Protocol**



A Cybercrime Briefing for Permanent Representations and Permanent Observers to the Council of Europe was held on 17 September 2026 to discuss the practical impact of cybercrime on citizens and the continued relevance of the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) (Budapest Convention).

The discussions focused on the increasing cybercrime related risks faced by citizens in their daily lives, including online scams, cyber-enabled interference in democratic processes and technology-facilitated abuse. Participants also exchanged views on the challenges posed by the cross-border nature of cybercrime and the need for effective, lawful access to electronic evidence.

Aisling Kelly, Head of the Cybercrime Division, presented on the practical impact of cybercrime on citizens and on why the Budapest Convention, including its [Second Additional Protocol on enhanced co-operation and disclosure of electronic evidence](#), matters for cases involving cross border investigations.

The briefing also highlighted the Council of Europe's capacity-building work through its [Cybercrime Programme Office](#) (C-PROC), which provides global capacity building to law enforcement authorities worldwide in strengthening criminal justice responses to cybercrime. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

**STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 17 September 2026**

**Seychelles becomes the 83<sup>rd</sup> Party to the Convention on Cybercrime**



On 17 September 2026, the Republic of Seychelles acceded to the Convention on Cybercrime (ETS 185).

With Seychelles' accession, 83 States are now Parties, two have signed it and 12 have been invited to accede to the Convention. The Convention will enter into force for Seychelles on 1 January 2027. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

- ▶ THE CONVENTION PROVIDES A LEGAL FRAMEWORK FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ON CYBERCRIME AND ELECTRONIC EVIDENCE SUBJECT TO RULE OF LAW SAFEGUARDS (ARTICLE 15)
- ▶ PARTIES ARE MEMBERS OF THE CYBERCRIME CONVENTION COMMITTEE (T-CY) AND SHARE INFORMATION AND EXPERIENCE, ASSESS IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION, AND INTERPRET THE CONVENTION THROUGH GUIDANCE NOTES
- ▶ PARTICIPATION IN THE NEGOTIATION OF FUTURE INSTRUMENTS AND THE FURTHER EVOLUTION OF THE BUDAPEST CONVENTION
- ▶ IMPROVED PARTNERSHIPS AND COOPERATION ALSO WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR
- ▶ STATES REQUESTING ACCESSION OR HAVING ACCEDED MAY BECOME PRIORITY COUNTRIES FOR CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMMES

#### ARTICLE 37 BUDAPEST CONVENTION: PROCEDURE FOR ACCESSION

#### STEPS TOWARDS ACCESSION

- ▶ PREPARATION OF DOMESTIC LEGISLATION TO TRANSPOSE SUBSTANTIVE AND PROCEDURAL POWERS OF THE BUDAPEST CONVENTION
- ▶ LETTER BY GOVERNMENT TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE EXPRESSING INTEREST IN ACCEDING TO THE BUDAPEST CONVENTION
- ▶ CONSULTATION OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION BY THE SECRETARIAT
- ▶ UPON CONSENSUS BY THE PARTIES: THE REQUESTING STATE IS INVITED TO ACCEDE
- ▶ COMPLETION OF INTERNAL PROCEDURES WITHIN REQUESTING STATE (SIMILAR TO RATIFICATION OF ANY INTERNATIONAL TREATY)
- ▶ DEPOSITING THE INSTRUMENT OF ACCESSION AT THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE



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## UPDATE: Joint Project Initiatives

### GLACY-e, CyberEast+, CyberSEE, CyberSouth+, CyberSPEX, CyberUA and Octopus

**BUDVA, MONTENEGRO, 29 June - 3 July 2026**

***In-person | CyberSEE Project and Octopus Project – CYBERKOP Action: The Western Balkans Working Group on Digital Assets Investigation advances investigation skills with its second regional workshop in Budva***

The [CyberSEE](#) project in co-operation with the [CEPOL Western Balkans Partnership against Crime and Terrorism](#) (WB PaCT) project enhanced the investigative capacities through the organisation of the Western Balkans Working Group on Digital Asset Investigations, in Budva, Montenegro, from 29 June to 3 July 2026, marking the group's tenth activity.

The workshop highlighted the recent achievements under the leadership of the CyberSEE project, including the dedicated workspace on the [CYBOX](#) platform, the establishment of new partnerships, and the expansion of the Working Group to include experts from Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia.



The first concept, "Bring your own case", was designed to complement the training programme with an operational component. Participants shared challenges encountered in their investigations or complex operational issues for discussion with the group or in one-on-one sessions with the trainers.

Furthermore, the "Crypto pack" was introduced to actively engage participants in the development of training materials under this initiative. Ahead of the workshop, the draft versions of the Guide on Investigating the Illegal Use of Cryptocurrencies and the Standard Operating Procedures for seizing virtual assets were shared with participants for review.

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**MAMAIA, ROMANIA, 28 - 30 July 2026**

***In-person | CyberSEE and CyberSPEX joined CyberSea Festival 2026 to advance cyber resilience and international co-operation against cybercrime***

From 28 to 30 July 2026, the [Cybercrime Programme Office of the Council of Europe \(C-PROC\)](#) through the [CyberSEE](#) and [CyberSPEX](#) projects, took part in the [CyberSea Festival 2026](#) organised in Mamaia, Romania by [Women4Cyber Romania](#), in co-operation with the Council of Europe, the [National Directorate for Cyber Security \(DNSC\)](#), the [European Cybersecurity Competence Centre \(ECCC\)](#) and other institutional and private-sector partners.

The event brought together around 500 participants from public institutions, academia, civil society, youth organisations and the private sector from Romania, European Union member states and countries from the Western Balkans, for stronger alignment around the skills needed for the next decade of cybersecurity and promotion of the international co-operation in the fight against cybercrime and collection of electronic evidence.



As institutional partner of the CyberSea Festival 2026, the Cybercrime Programme Office (C-PROC) showcased its efforts to help countries prevent, fight against cybercrime and foster international co-operation in the exchange of electronic evidence. C-PROC delegates took part in fireside chats on emerging cybercrime challenges, kept a presence in the Institutional Village to engage with participants, and held bilateral meetings with Romanian criminal justice authorities and service providers to strengthen co-operation and explore future collaboration. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

**STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 7 - 10 September 2026**

***In-person* | CyberSEE, CyberSPEX, CyberEast+, GLACY-e, CyberSouth+: Seventh Underground Economy Conference convenes at Council of Europe's headquarters: advancing global co-operation against cybercrime**



From 7 to 10 September 2026, the [Council of Europe](#), together with [Team Cymru](#), its longstanding partner, co-organised the seventh edition of the Underground Economy Conference in Strasbourg, France. Building on its role as a global hub for law enforcement, cybersecurity professionals, private industry, financial institutions, international organisations, and academia, this year's programme offered participants the opportunity to engage in plenary sessions, specialised tracks, practical workshops, exclusive training, and practitioner-led discussions addressing the latest advances in cybercrime investigations.

In opening the conference, the Director General of Human Rights and Rule of Law of the Council of Europe, Mr. Gianluca Esposito, highlighted that technology alone is not enough to address the growing reach of cybercrime. What is needed is coordinated action grounded in robust legal frameworks, notably the [Convention on Cybercrime \(Budapest Convention\)](#) and its [Second Additional Protocol](#), supported by trust, rapid operational mechanisms such as the [24/7 Network](#) and structured public-private partnerships

A distinctive feature of this year's edition was its strong focus on artificial intelligence and its impact on both criminal activity and cybercrime investigations, with discussions spanning agentic cybercrime, AI-assisted threat intelligence, autonomous intrusions, AI-generated child sexual abuse material, and the underground market for stolen AI access. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

**PRISTINA, KOSOVO, 29 - 30 September 2026**

***In-person* | Second Additional Protocol implementation advances through legislative support from CyberSEE Project and Octopus Project – CYBERKOP Action in Kosovo**



From 29 to 30 September 2026, the [CyberSEE](#) joint project of the European Union and the Council of Europe, alongside the [CYBERKOP Action](#) of the [Octopus Project](#), supported the Ministry of Justice of Kosovo in organising a two-day workshop in Pristina to promote the implementation of the [Second Additional Protocol](#) (2AP) to the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) (Budapest Convention) and assess the domestic legislative framework.

The workshop brought together representatives of key criminal justice and cybersecurity institutions, as well as the European Union Delegation to Kosovo and the Council of Europe. The second day took stock of progress made through CyberSEE in strengthening the legislative framework, enhancing the capacities of criminal justice authorities, and promoting co-operation with the private sector and international partners. Participants identified remaining legislative gaps and priorities for further support, establishing a baseline for future EU–Council of Europe programming from 2027 onwards. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

## 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, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, United Kingdom, USA

**Participating countries/regions:** Global

#### STRASBOURG, FRANCE, July - September 2026

**Online | Cyberviolence Resource – domestic case law made accessible as well, in addition to information on domestic legislation on cyberviolence**

Initiated following the recommendations from the [T-CY Mapping Study on Cyberviolence](#) (2018), the [Cyberviolence Resource](#) is one of the online tools led through the [Octopus Project](#) of the Council of Europe's Cybercrime Division, bringing together the work of colleagues from across sectors within the Organisation for the benefit of citizens and criminal justice authorities worldwide. Further to the 32<sup>nd</sup> [T-CY Plenary](#), a questionnaire to collect information on domestic criminal legislation and policies in relation to cyberviolence was adopted, with a view to assisting current and future [Parties](#) to the Convention on Cybercrime intending to address offences related to cyberviolence in their domestic law, as well as updating the Council of Europe's online Cyberviolence Resource.

Case law

If you came across an interesting case law (either at international level, or at national level), you are more than welcome to share it with us!



International case law



Domestic case law

Following to the [release](#) of the tool on [Domestic legislation on cyberviolence](#) in early July 2026 by the T-CY Secretariat and the internal Working Group of the project, a second part of the information collected and analysed is now available. Under the '[Resources](#)' section, the [Domestic case law](#) component now features information from more than 44 countries, on online xenophobia and racism, cyberviolence against children, cyberviolence against women, cyberviolence against journalists, online trafficking in human being and other forms of cyberviolence. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

#### STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 30 September 2026

**In-person | 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 29 September 2026 by Ambassador OEDA Shigeta, Permanent Observer of Japan and Mr Alain Berset, 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. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

**STRASBOURG, FRANCE, ongoing preparations until 14 - 16 October 2026*****In-person* | Marking the 25th anniversary of the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention)**

Octopus Conference 2026: Two more weeks to go until the global cybercrime community meets in Strasbourg. Livestreamed sessions available

The [Octopus Conference](#) organised by the Council of Europe every 12 to 18 months constitutes one of the biggest and finest platforms of exchange in cybercrime and electronic evidence, gathering experts from more than 100 countries, international organisations, private sector and academia.



Looking ahead, the 2026 edition will be of particular significance as it marks the [25th anniversary of the Convention on Cybercrime \(Budapest Convention\)](#) and will be an opportunity to take stock of its impact on cybercrime legislation at the global level.

The Conference will be offering high-level interventions and structured dialogue between public and private stakeholders worldwide, while also providing dedicated space for projects, partners and initiatives to showcase their cybercrime capacity building work. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

**CYBOX ONLINE TRAINING PLATFORM**

The CYBOX platform is in a constant process of updating its database and is designed to serve two main purposes: a repository of key materials, and a learning management system for [C-PROC](#) and partner countries.



From plug-in updates, platform updates, enhanced user experience features allowing for a more robust and flexible design, the CYBOX space has been undergoing continuous transformations so as to better meet the needs of its users. Introductory trainings have been conducted, which helped attract more active users, linked through recommendations from institutions, participation in C-PROC activities or online searches.

CYBOX can be used by judicial training institutions, law enforcement authorities, other criminal justice actors and their training institutions, that can access shared resources or set up their own dedicated training spaces tailored to domestic needs. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

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

### GLACY-e basics

**Duration:** 1 August 2023 – 15 December 2028

**Budget:** EUR 13,334,000

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

**Participating countries:** Global

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

#### ONLINE, 21 July 2026

**Online | GLACY-e and Octopus Project: Uruguay advances the Criminal Procedure Code reform for strengthening the electronic evidence framework**

On 21 July 2026, the [GLACY-e](#) joint project of the European Union and the Council of Europe contributed to the session of the Commission for Constitution and Legislation of the Uruguayan Senate, where legislators debated a landmark reform of the country's Criminal Procedure Code incorporating new rules on electronic evidence.



The draft provisions on procedural powers on electronic evidence were developed by a technical working group coordinated by the Deputy Secretariat of the Presidency, with the involvement of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Judiciary, the Public Prosecutor's Office and the Ministries of Interior, Education and Culture, in close collaboration with the [GLACY-e](#) and the [Octopus](#) projects. The provisions reflect strong alignment with the procedural powers set out in the Convention on Cybercrime ([Budapest Convention](#)), demonstrating Uruguay's commitment to modernising its legal framework in line with international standards. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

#### BUCHAREST, ROMANIA, 17-19 August 2026

**In-person | GLACY-e and CyberSPEX: Asian hub countries meet in Bucharest to consolidate their regional roles and discuss the Second Additional Protocol with EU member states**

From 17 to 19 August 2026, the [Cybercrime Programme Office of the Council of Europe \(C-PROC\)](#) convened a three-day regional meeting in Bucharest, bringing together the two Asian hub countries of the [GLACY-e](#) project - the Philippines and Sri Lanka. Organised jointly under the GLACY-e and [CyberSPEX](#) projects, the meeting gathered 16 participants, including seven representatives from the Philippines and five from Sri Lanka, alongside four experts from selected European Union member states (Germany, Portugal and The Netherlands) spanning the judiciary, prosecution services, law enforcement, financial intelligence units and CERTs.



As state Parties to the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) (Budapest Convention), both the Philippines and Sri Lanka serve as references for good practice in their respective regions through a South-South co-operation approach. Bringing the two hubs together provided a timely opportunity to align their efforts and establish a shared work plan for the years ahead. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

**SANTIAGO DE QUERÉTARO, MEXICO, 2-4 September 2026****In-person | GLACY-e and CyberSPEX projects: Mexican criminal justice experts strengthen cybercrime and e-evidence skills through training and practical tools**

From 2 to 4 September 2026, the Council of Europe, in collaboration with the Public Prosecutor's Office of the State of Querétaro, Mexico, organised an introductory course on cybercrime and electronic evidence. The training, developed within the framework of the GLACY-e and CyberSPEX projects, enhanced the practical skills of forensic experts, IT analysts, criminal investigators and prosecutors, equipping them to address cybercrime with both technical and legal tools.



Special focus was given to strengthening skills in international co-operation and introducing participants to the provisions and practical impact of the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention) and its Second Additional Protocol. A particular highlight of the course was the direct engagement of experts from the Public Prosecutor's Offices of Spain, Chile and Paraguay, who shared their extensive experience in cybercrime prosecution and contributed valuable operational insights. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

**RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL, 23-25 September 2026****In-person | GLACY-e: Second group of Brazilian judges strengthens knowledge and expertise on cybercrime and electronic evidence**

A second group of [Brazilian judges](#) has completed the introductory course on cybercrime and electronic evidence, held in Rio de Janeiro from 23 to 25 September 2026 with the support of the Council of Europe's [GLACY-e project](#), co-financed by the European Union and the Council of Europe. The course brought together 24 judges from different national jurisdictions as part of a broader programme to strengthen a national pool of judicial trainers in Brazil.



Over three days, participants examined the provisions of the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) and its protocols, the fundamentals of the internet, digital evidence and new technologies, against their correspondence from the Brazilian legislation. The course also addressed safeguards and conditions applicable to procedural powers, international co-operation, the chain of custody of electronic evidence, and the admissibility of such evidence, including relevant European and Brazilian case law. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

## 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

### YEREVAN, ARMENIA, 3-4 September 2026

**In-person | CyberEast+: Armenian counterparts updated and finalised the Standard Operating Procedures for co-operation between cybersecurity and law enforcement representatives**

A two-day Forum dedicated to enhancing Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for co-operation between Computer Security Incident Response Teams (CSIRTs) and law enforcement agencies convened in Yerevan, Armenia, from 3 to 4 September 2026. The event was supported by the CyberEast+, a joint project of the European Union and of the Council of Europe, as part of ongoing efforts to strengthen action against cyberattacks and promoting stakeholders' collaboration.



The Forum brought together representatives of the national CSIRTs, law enforcement bodies, judicial authorities, cybersecurity industry actors and Council of Europe international experts. During the event participants addressed roles and responsibilities, cross-border co-operation frameworks, effective means of reporting and categorisation of cyber incidents, legal compliance and sensitive data handling, as well as evidence preservation and applying digital forensics. Armenian representatives also focussed on good practices for using Open-Source Intelligence (OSINT) to develop comprehensive cyber threat analyses. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

### BAKU, AZERBAIJAN, 15-16 September 2026

**In-person | CyberEast+: Azerbaijani authorities stepped further and finalised the Standard Operating Procedures for co-operation between cybersecurity and law enforcement representatives**



A two-day Forum dedicated to enhancing Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for co-operation between Computer Security Incident Response Teams (CSIRTs) and law enforcement agencies convened in Baku, Azerbaijan, from 15 to 16 September 2026. The event was supported by the [CyberEast+](#), a joint project of the European Union and of the Council of Europe, as part of ongoing efforts to strengthen action against cyberattacks and promoting stakeholders' collaboration.

The Forum facilitated the finalisation of the SOPs which ensure that the international standards and principles cater to the specific needs of Azerbaijani stakeholders, and that they can be successfully put into practice. Participants also identified pertinent activities to operationalise the SOPs, which are expected to be implemented during 2027, as part of the national regulatory framework. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

**UKRAINE, 22-23 September 2026*****In-person | CyberEast+ and CyberUA: Ukrainian critical infrastructure representatives and service providers enhanced their knowledge on procedures for collection and handling of e-evidence***

[CyberEast+](#), a joint project of the European Union and of the Council of Europe, together with [CyberUA](#), a project of the Council of Europe, funded under the [Action Plan for Ukraine for 2023-2026](#), organised on 22 and 23 September 2026 the second co-operation workshop with critical infrastructure representatives and service providers from Ukraine.



As a result of this workshop, representatives of criminal justice authorities and public sector representatives increased their knowledge on the international legal standards for collecting and handling electronic evidence. New ways for co-operating and enhancing the exchange of information and data between public and private actors were also identified. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

## UPDATE: Enhanced cooperation on cybercrime and electronic evidence in the Southern Neighbourhood Region (CyberSouth+)

### 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.*

### VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE, 30 June - 3 July 2026

**In-person | CyberSouth+ supports partner countries to participate in the 2026 ITU Inter-Regional CyberDrill for Africa and the Arab States**

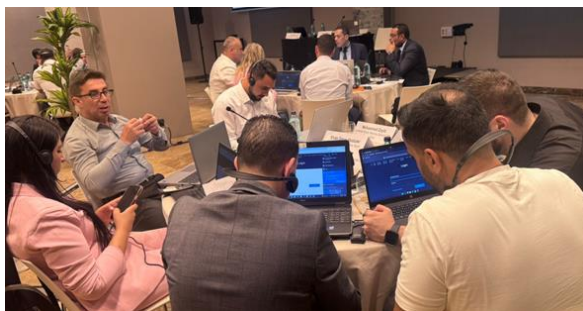
[CyberSouth+](#) supported its partner countries to participate in the 2026 ITU Inter-Regional CyberDrill for Africa and the Arab States Regions. The event provided a platform for senior ICT and cybersecurity officials to discuss and formulate strategic directions and plans to tackle emerging global and regional cybersecurity threats. [\[READ MORE\]](#)



### MADRID, SPAIN, 7-9 July 2026

**In-person | Regional training on investigating Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (OCSEA): from CyberTipline reports to case resolution**

CyberSouth+ organised a 3-day regional training to strengthen the capacity of investigators from the Southern Mediterranean region to fight against OCSEA. Previous training courses delivered in [Algeria](#), [Morocco](#) and [Egypt](#) had highlighted varying levels of operational readiness among participating countries, particularly regarding the receipt and handling of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children's (NCMEC) CyberTipline reports.



Through a complex investigation initiated based on a simulated CyberTipline report, participants learned how to apply international legal standards and operational tools in a OCSEA scenario. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

### Online, 12 August 2026

**Online | Follow-up workshop on virtual assets for criminal justice professionals in Palestine\***

[CyberSouth+](#) organised an online workshop on virtual assets for criminal justice professionals in Palestine\*. The session followed up on [the April 2025 workshop on investigating the illegal use of virtual assets](#), and was designed to expand the participants' understanding while also addressing specific questions raised since the previous workshop. [\[READ MORE\]](#)



### BUDAPEST, HUNGARY, 24-28 August 2026

**In-person | CyberSouth+ and EUROMED Police join forces to organise a cybercrime simulation exercise for the MENA region**

[CyberSouth+](#) and EUROMED Police organised a joint cybercrime simulation aimed at strengthening inter-agency and regional co-operation among MENA countries. The exercise, held at CEPOL's headquarters, brought together representatives of law enforcement authorities, prosecutors, CERTs and financial intelligence units from partner countries. Over the course of three days, the participants worked in cross-country teams to investigate a scenario that required following the electronic evidence, as well as the financial flows behind it. [\[READ MORE\]](#)



## UPDATE: Enhanced action on cybercrime and electronic evidence in South-East Europe and Türkiye (CyberSEE)

### 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.*

### PETROVAC, MONTENEGRO, 1-2 July 2026

**In-person | CyberSEE: Montenegrin National Working Group gathers to discuss legal amendments for the implementation of the Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime**

On 1-2 July 2026, Petrovac, Montenegro hosted a workshop organised by the [CyberSEE](#) joint project of the European Union and the Council of Europe, in co-operation with the Ministry of Justice of Montenegro. Building upon the continuous capacity building efforts and the workshop in [October 2025](#), the event brought together representatives of the Ministry of Justice, Parliament of Montenegro, Prosecution Office, Ministry of Interior, 24/7 Contact Point, Centre for Training in Judiciary and State Prosecution, National Cybersecurity Agency, telecom industry, alongside the European Union Delegation to Montenegro and the Council of Europe.



The workshop focused on strengthening Montenegro's alignment of national legislation with the [Second Additional Protocol](#) (2AP) to the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) (Budapest Convention) with particular attention to new co-operation mechanisms for accessing electronic evidence, and practical implementation measures. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

### PODGORICA, MONTENEGRO, 29–30 September 2026

**In-person | CyberSEE and CyberEast+: From fake news to strategic action - regional workshop on strategies to combat disinformation**

From 29 to 30 September 2026, the [CyberSEE](#) and [CyberEast+](#) joint projects of the European Union and the Council of Europe, in co-operation with the [Western Balkans Cyber Capacity Centre](#) (WB3C), organised a regional workshop on strategies to combat disinformation, at the WB3C premises, in Podgorica, Montenegro.

The activity brought together law enforcement practitioners from across the Western Balkans, Türkiye, Moldova and Ukraine, including representatives of the cybercrime investigation units, intelligence and crime analysts, together with experts of the Computer Emergency Response Teams (CERTs).



In the opening of the event, her Excellency Ms Cécile Humbert-Bouvier, the French Ambassador to Montenegro, highlighted the growing spread of online disinformation and its impact on public institutions and social cohesion.

Building on this, the Head of the [Council of Europe Programme Office in Podgorica](#), Ms Leila Dervišagić, complemented on the importance of co-ordination among authorities and communications services. Given the cross-border nature of information flows, regional co-operation is essential not only in the Western Balkans, but across Europe as a whole. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

## 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 – 31 December 2026

**Budget:** EUR 2.23 million

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

**Participating countries:** European Union Member States

#### ASUNCIÓN, PARAGUAY, 31 Aug - 4 Sept 2026

##### *In-person* | GLACY-e and CyberSPEX: 11th INTERPOL Americas Working Group on cybercrime strengthens regional and operational co-operation

Supported by the European Union and the Council of Europe through the [GLACY-e](#) and [CyberSPEX](#) projects, with INTERPOL as implementing partner, the 11th Meeting of the INTERPOL Americas Working Group of Heads of Cybercrime Units took place from 31 August to 4 September 2026 in Asunción, Paraguay. Hosted by the National Police of Paraguay, mainly NCB Asunción and the Cybercrime Unit, the meeting brought together 70 representatives from 19 countries across the Americas and 4 EU Member States, as well as 13 representatives from public and private organisations, to strengthen regional and international co-operation and operational responses to the growing and increasingly transnational threat of cybercrime.



CyberSPEX supported the event by bringing together representatives from the 24/7 Points of Contact under the Convention on Cybercrime from France, Portugal, Spain, and the Netherlands. A dedicated table-top exercise showcased good practices in international cooperation for the exchange of electronic evidence. Participants were trained using cooperation templates developed under CyberSPEX, preparing them for both current and future procedures aimed at streamlining cross-border collaboration. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

#### BUDAPEST, HUNGARY, 15-16 September 2026

##### *In-person* | Training on the Second Additional Protocol for the General Prosecutor's Office and other relevant authorities in Hungary

On 15-16 September 2026, following [Hungary's ratification](#) of the [Second Additional Protocol \(2AP\)](#) to the Convention

#### THE HAGUE, NETHERLANDS, 24 - 25 September 2026

##### *In-person* | CyberSPEX and ULTRAXL projects: Workshop on the admissibility of electronic evidence

The CyberSPEX project, a joint initiative of the European Union and the Council of Europe, in co-operation with the UltraXL project, organised a workshop on the admissibility of electronic evidence in criminal proceedings in The Hague on 24–25 September 2026.



The discussions contributed to the preparation of a white paper on the admissibility of electronic evidence in court. Drawing on the workshop's practical exchanges, the future work will consider how electronic evidence is obtained through different international co-operation channels, how safeguards and domestic legal requirements apply, and how the authenticity, integrity and traceability of such evidence can be demonstrated when it is assessed in criminal proceedings. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

#### THE HAGUE, NETHERLANDS, 23-24 September 2026

##### *In-person* | CyberSPEX project: EUROPOL Cybercrime Conference on international co-operation

On 23-24 September 2026, the [CyberSPEX project](#) contributed to the [EUROPOL Cybercrime Conference](#), supporting a dedicated session on "From legal frameworks to capacity building: which perspectives for law enforcement on international co-operation". The contribution highlighted the relevance of the [Convention on Cybercrime \(Budapest Convention\)](#), its [Second Additional Protocol](#) and the importance of making full use of the provisions provided.

This session aimed at examining the recent developments and perspectives on international co-operation and

on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention) in February this year, the [CyberSPEX project](#), a joint initiative of the European Commission and the Council of Europe, organised a dedicated training for the General Prosecutor's Office and competent authorities assigned on the basis of the Protocol. The event brought together 88 practitioners from the General Prosecutor's Office, Regional Prosecutor's Offices, other designated Hungarian authorities, to strengthen operational understanding of the Protocol's new international co-operation avenues.

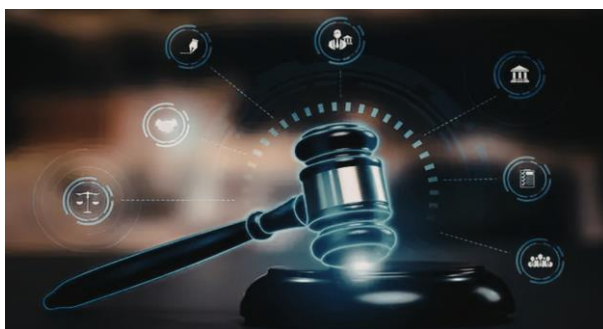


The event supported the exchange of national practices and helped identify legislative gaps, operational advantages and good practices relevant to the implementation of the Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

#### THE HAGUE, NETHERLANDS, 25 September 2026

##### *In-person* | EJCN masterclass on the Second Additional Protocol

On 25 September 2026 the CyberSPEX project contributed to the [European Judicial Cybercrime Network \(EJCN\)](#) masterclasses, by sharing insights on the [Second Additional Protocol](#) (2AP) to the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) (Budapest Convention) and by introducing the newly designed 2AP Model Training Course.



The masterclass brought together representatives of judicial authorities from EU member states to explore the 2AP's mechanisms for international co-operation and disclosure of electronic evidence (Article 6 - domain name registration information, Article 7 - subscriber information, Article 8 - giving effect to orders, Article 9 and 10 - emergency procedures) and offered a comprehensive comparison with the [EU e-Evidence package](#). [\[READ MORE\]](#)

training, including the role of the [Cybercrime Programme Office of the Council of Europe](#) (C-PROC) in Bucharest. C-PROC supports [capacity building worldwide](#) to strengthen international co-operation on cybercrime and electronic evidence based on the framework of the Convention on Cybercrime. [\[READ MORE\]](#)



#### MILAN, ITALY, 30 September – 2 October 2026

##### *In-person* | Digital Evidence and Judicial Cooperation Training for Italian prosecutors

From 30 September to 2 October 2026, 150 prosecutors of the districts of Milan, Turin, Genoa, Bologna, Brescia, Trento and Venice have attended the training on “Digital Evidence and Judicial Cooperation: The [EU E-evidence Package](#) and the [Second Additional Protocol](#) to the [Budapest Convention](#)” organised by the Higher School of the Judiciary in Italy with the support of the [CyberSPEX](#) project, a joint action of the European Union and the Council of Europe.



The course addressed the complementarity of the two instruments, built theoretical knowledge in support of their practical use in cross-border investigations. Sessions considered the EU E-evidence Package, which establishes production and preservation orders for electronic evidence, and the Second Additional Protocol, which strengthens international co-operation through mechanisms including requests for domain-name registration information, disclosure of subscriber data and emergency procedures. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

## Inventory of activities (July – September 2026)

### July 2026

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|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CyberEast+,<br>CyberUA                      | Roundtable on documenting good practices on admissibility, processing and chain of custody concerning electronic evidence, Ukraine, <i>in-person</i> , 7-8 July 2026                     |
| CyberSouth+                                 | Supporting partner countries to participate in the 2026 ITU Inter-Regional CyberDrill for Africa and the Arab States, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, <i>in-person</i> , 30 June - 3 July 2026 |
| CyberSEE                                    | Second Western Balkans Working Group on Digital Assets Investigation, with CEPOL, Budva, Montenegro, <i>in-person</i> , 29 June - 3 July 2026                                            |
| CyberSEE                                    | Workshop with Montenegrin national working group on the necessary amendments to legal framework to implement 2AP, Petrovac, Montenegro, <i>in-person</i> , 1-2 July 2026                 |
| CyberSEE                                    | Domestic workshops to assess progress in legislation, capacities and cooperation in Montenegro, Budva, Montenegro, <i>in-person</i> , 1-2 July 2026                                      |
| GLACY-e                                     | Debriefing meeting with the Commission for Constitution and Legislation of the Uruguayan Senate, <i>online</i> , 21 July 2026                                                            |
| CyberSEE, Octopus Project – CYBERKOP Action | Domestic Training on Investigation of Cybercrime for First Responders, 7 <sup>th</sup> training, Kosovo, <i>in-person</i> , 7-8 July 2026                                                |
| CyberSPEX, CyberSEE                         | Support the organisation of the CyberSEA Conference, Mamaia, Romania, <i>in-person</i> , 28-30 July 2026                                                                                 |
| CyberSEE                                    | Develop the Guide for investigation of cryptocurrencies, <i>online</i>                                                                                                                   |
| CyberSEE                                    | Develop Judicial Training on cryptocurrencies, <i>online</i>                                                                                                                             |
| CyberSEE                                    | Develop Standard Operating Procedures to seize crypto assets, <i>online</i>                                                                                                              |
| Octopus Project                             | Further development of the Cyberviolence Resource, by working on the Domestic Case Law page, <i>online</i>                                                                               |
| Octopus Project                             | Further development and maintenance of the CYBOX platform, <i>online</i>                                                                                                                 |
| Octopus Project                             | Preparation of the Octopus Conference 2026, <i>Strasbourg</i>                                                                                                                            |

### August 2026

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| CyberSouth+     | Follow-up workshop on virtual assets for criminal justice professionals in Palestine*, <i>online</i> , 12 August 2026                                                |
| CyberSouth+     | CyberSouth+ and EUROMED Police join forces to organise a cybercrime simulation exercise for the MENA region, Budapest, Hungary, <i>in-person</i> , 24-28 August 2026 |
| Octopus Project | Further development of the Cyberviolence Resource, by working on the Domestic Case Law page, <i>online</i>                                                           |
| Octopus Project | Further development and maintenance of the CYBOX platform, <i>online</i>                                                                                             |

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| Octopus Project                                                  | Preparation of the Octopus Conference 2026, <i>Strasbourg</i>                                                                                                                                       |
| CyberSPEX,<br>GLACY-e                                            | 11th INTERPOL Americas Working Group on cybercrime strengthens regional and operational co-operation, Asunción, Paraguay, <i>in-person</i> , 31 Aug - 4 Sept 2026                                   |
| GLACY-e,<br>CyberSPEX                                            | Asian hub countries meeting, Bucharest, Romania, <i>in-person</i> , 17-19 August 2026                                                                                                               |
| GLACY-e                                                          | INTERPOL Instructor Development Course (IDC) and Course Design Workshop, Brazil, <i>in-person</i> , 17-26 August 2026                                                                               |
| Octopus Project                                                  | Further development of the Cyberviolence Resource through analysis of responses received via the T-CY questionnaire, with focus on domestic legislation                                             |
| Octopus Project                                                  | Further development of the CYBOX platform                                                                                                                                                           |
| GLACY-e                                                          | Adaptation and development of a e-learning introductory course for Peru on CYBOX, Peru, <i>online</i> , by December 2026                                                                            |
| GLACY-e                                                          | Support to the legislative reform on cybercrime and electronic evidence and awareness-raising workshops on the Second Additional Protocol, Colombia, <i>in-person and online</i> , by December 2026 |
| GLACY-e                                                          | Support to the legislative reform on cybercrime and electronic evidence - alignment with the provisions of the Second Additional Protocol, Chile, <i>in-person and online</i> , by December 2026    |
| <b>September 2026</b>                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| GLACY-e,<br>CyberSPEX                                            | Introductory course on cybercrime and electronic evidence, Santiago De Queretaro, Mexico, <i>in-person</i> , 2-4 September 2026                                                                     |
| CyberEast+                                                       | LEA/CSIRT SOP finalisation forum, Yerevan, Armenia, <i>in-person</i> , 3-4 September 2026                                                                                                           |
| CyberEast+,<br>CyberSEE,<br>CyberSouth,<br>GLACY-e,<br>CyberSPEX | Seventh Underground Economy Conference 2026, Strasbourg, France, <i>in-person</i> , 7-10 September 2026                                                                                             |
| CyberSEE                                                         | International workshop track on AI and cybercrime, Strasbourg, France, <i>in-person</i> , 9 September 2026                                                                                          |
| CyberSEE                                                         | International workshop track on major cybercrime operations, Strasbourg, France, <i>in-person</i> , 10 September 2026                                                                               |
| CyberEast+                                                       | LEA/CSIRT SOP finalisation forum, Baku, Azerbaijan, <i>in-person</i> , 15-16 September 2026                                                                                                         |
| CyberSPEX                                                        | Training on the Second Additional Protocol for the General Prosecutor's Office and other relevant authorities in Hungary, Budapest, Hungary, <i>in-person</i> , 15-16 September 2026                |
| GLACY-e                                                          | Train the trainers - Introductory training for judges (at state level, second batch), Brazil, <i>in-person</i> , 23-25 September 2026                                                               |
| CyberSPEX                                                        | Workshop on the admissibility of electronic evidence in cooperation with ULTRA XL project, The Hague, Netherlands, <i>in-person</i> , 24-25 September 2026                                          |
| CyberSPEX                                                        | EJCN Masterclass, The Hague, Netherlands, <i>in-person</i> , 25 September                                                                                                                           |

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| CyberEast+,<br>CyberUA                | Consultation Forum with key infrastructure and service providers on the collection and handling of e-evidence for use in criminal proceedings, Ukraine, <i>in-person</i> , 22-23 September 2026 |
| CyberSEE,<br>CyberSouth+<br>CyberSPEX | Europol Cybercrime Conference, The Hague, The Netherlands, <i>in-person</i> , 23-24 September 2026                                                                                              |
| CyberSEE                              | Regional workshop on strategies to combat disinformation, with WB3C, Podgorica, Montenegro, <i>in-person</i> , 29-30 September 2026                                                             |
| CyberSEE                              | Workshop with relevant authorities of Kosovo on 2AP and amendments to the existing legislation, Pristina, Kosovo*, <i>in-person</i> , 29-30 September 2026                                      |
| CyberSEE                              | Domestic workshops to assess progress in legislation, capacities and cooperation in Kosovo, Pristina, Kosovo*, <i>in-person</i> , 29-30 September 2026                                          |
| CyberSPEX                             | Training for Italian Prosecutors on 2AP (in cooperation with the Italian School for the Judiciary), <i>in-person</i> , Milan, Italy, 30 September – 02 October 2026                             |
| Octopus Project                       | Further development of the Cyberviolence Resource, by launching the Domestic Case Law page and working on a beta version of an AI agent, <i>online</i>                                          |
| Octopus Project                       | Further development and maintenance of the CYBOX platform, <i>online</i>                                                                                                                        |
| Octopus Project                       | Preparation of the Octopus Conference 2026, <i>Strasbourg</i>                                                                                                                                   |

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## Coming next (October – December 2026)

### October 2026

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| CyberSEE                  | "Cyber-Skills Sharing Programme" 2nd edition, Tirana, Albania, Pristina, Kosovo*, <i>in-person</i> , October-November 2026                                                                                                                                                                       |
| CyberSEE                  | Support participation in EMPACT CYBER OAP Strategic Meeting, Lisbon, Portugal, <i>in-person</i> , 7-8 October 2026                                                                                                                                                                               |
| CyberSEE                  | Support participation in 42nd Operational Meeting of the INTERPOL Expert Group on Crimes Against Children, Lyon, France, <i>in-person</i> , 12-15 October 2026                                                                                                                                   |
| All C-PROC Projects       | Annual Meeting of the 24/7 Network of PoC, Strasbourg, France, <i>in-person</i> , 12-16 October 2026                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| All C-PROC Projects       | Workshop on Virtual assets in criminal investigations: cooperation with VASPs, Strasbourg, France, <i>in-person</i> , 12-16 October 2026                                                                                                                                                         |
| All C-PROC Projects, T-CY | The 35th Plenary of the T-CY, Strasbourg, France, <i>in-person</i> , 12-13 October 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| All C-PROC Projects, T-CY | Octopus Conference 2026, Strasbourg, France, <i>in-person</i> , 14-16 October 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| CyberSPEX                 | Consultative Meeting with Representatives of Service Providers, Strasbourg, France, <i>in-person</i> , 14 October 2026                                                                                                                                                                           |
| CyberSPEX                 | Octopus Conference Main session 1 - Interplay between the 2nd Additional Protocol and EU e-evidence package: cooperation with online service providers, Strasbourg, France <i>in-person</i> , 14 October 2026                                                                                    |
| CyberSPEX                 | 2AP Training Development Workshop in cooperation with EJCEN, Strasbourg, France, <i>in-person</i> , 15 October 2026                                                                                                                                                                              |
| CyberSEE                  | Workshop with North Macedonian national working group on the amendments to existing legal framework to implement 2AP, Skopje, North Macedonia, <i>in-person</i> , October 2026 (TBD)                                                                                                             |
| CyberSEE                  | Domestic workshops to assess progress in legislation, capacities and cooperation in North Macedonia, Skopje, North Macedonia, <i>in-person</i> , October 2026 (TBD)                                                                                                                              |
| Octopus Project           | Further development of the Cyberviolence Resource through analysis of responses received via the T-CY questionnaire, with focus on national policies and strategies, national research, civil society, hotlines, social services and victim support services, and the development of an AI agent |
| Octopus Project           | Further development and maintenance of the CYBOX platform                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| GLACY-e                   | Adaptation and development of a e-learning introductory course for Peru on CYBOX, Peru, <i>online</i> , by December 2026                                                                                                                                                                         |

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| GLACY-e    | Support to the legislative reform on cybercrime and electronic evidence and awareness-raising workshops on the Second Additional Protocol, Colombia, <i>in-person and online</i> , by December 2026 |
| GLACY-e    | Support to the legislative reform on cybercrime and electronic evidence - alignment with the provisions of the Second Additional Protocol, Chile, <i>in-person and online</i> , by December 2026    |
| GLACY-e    | Technical Cybersecurity Training, National Cybersecurity Conference and Cyber Drill, Malawi, <i>in-person</i> , 26-28 October 2026                                                                  |
| CyberEast+ | Private sector engagement: Joint Training with 2AP focus, Baku, Azerbaijan, <i>in-person</i> , 29-30 October 2026                                                                                   |

## November 2026

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| CyberEast+             | LEA/CSIRT SOP finalisation forum, Chisinau, Moldova, <i>in-person</i> , 3-4 November 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| GLACY-e                | Gendered aspects of cybercrime – cours, Lima, <i>in-person</i> , 3-6 November 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| CyberSEE               | Workshop with Albanian working group on the amendments to the existing legislation, Tirana, Albania, <i>in-person</i> , 10-11 November 2026 (TBD)                                                                                                                                                |
| CyberSEE               | Domestic workshops to assess progress in legislation, capacities and cooperation in Albania, Tirana, Albania, <i>in-person</i> , 10-11 November 2026 (TBD)                                                                                                                                       |
| All C-PROC Projects    | Council of Europe and EUROJUST workshop on cyberviolence, The Hague, The Netherlands, <i>in-person</i> , 9-10 November 2026                                                                                                                                                                      |
| GLACY-e                | Africa Working Group on Cyber and Operation, <i>in-person</i> , 10-13 November 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| GLACY-e                | Train the trainers - Introductory course and refresher course (judges), Ghana, <i>in-person</i> , 16-20 November 2026                                                                                                                                                                            |
| GLACY-e                | Support to the Jornada sobre “Cooperación en materia de Ciberdelincuencia y Obtención de Pruebas Electrónica”, Argentina, 17 November 2026                                                                                                                                                       |
| CyberSEE               | 6 <sup>th</sup> Steering Committee Meeting, Bucharest, Romania, <i>in-person</i> , 17 November 2026                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| CyberSPEX              | Closing Event CyberSPEX, Bucharest, Romania, <i>in-person</i> , 17 November 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| CyberSEE, CyberSouth+, | Launching of the CRYPTO PACK and First Regional Judicial Training on Crypto-Assets, Bucharest, Romania, <i>in-person</i> , 17-19 November 2026                                                                                                                                                   |
| GLACY-e                | Train the trainers - Advanced training (at state level, second batch), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, <i>in-person</i> , 23-27 November 2026                                                                                                                                                            |
| GLACY-e                | Gendered aspects of cybercrime – course, Brasilia, Brazil, <i>in-person</i> , 30 November – 2 December 2026                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| GLACY-e                | Support for the National Cybercrime Congress, Lima, Peru, <i>in-person</i> , 25-27 November 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Octopus Project        | Further development of the Cyberviolence Resource through analysis of responses received via the T-CY questionnaire, with focus on national policies and strategies, national research, civil society, hotlines, social services and victim support services, and the development of an AI agent |
| Octopus Project        | Further development and maintenance of the CYBOX platform                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| GLACY-e                | National workshop on the Second Additional Protocol, Benin, <i>in-person</i> , dates TBC                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| GLACY-e                | Adaptation and development of a e-learning introductory course for Peru on CYBOX, Peru, <i>online</i> , by December 2026                                                                                                                                                                         |
| GLACY-e                | Support to the legislative reform on cybercrime and electronic evidence and awareness-raising workshops on the Second Additional Protocol, Colombia, <i>in-person and online</i> , by December 2026                                                                                              |

GLACY-e Support to the legislative reform on cybercrime and electronic evidence - alignment with the provisions of the Second Additional Protocol, Chile, *in-person and online*, by December 2026

### December 2026

CyberSEE Workshop with Turkish relevant institutions on main provisions for cooperation under of 2AP, Istanbul, Türkiye, *in-person*, 8-9 December 2026

CyberSEE Domestic workshops to assess progress in legislation, capacities and cooperation in Türkiye, Istanbul, Türkiye, *in-person*, 8-9 December 2026

GLACY-e 6th Steering Committee Meeting, *online*, 9 December 2026,

CyberEast+,  
CyberSee,  
CyberSouth+ Regional Training on use of Cross-Border Cooperation Guidelines on e-evidence between national authorities and other partners, Istanbul, Türkiye, *in-person*, 10-11 December 2026

Octopus Project Further development of the Cyberviolence Resource through analysis of responses received via the T-CY questionnaire, with focus on national policies and strategies, national research, civil society, hotlines, social services and victim support services, and the development of an AI agent

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Octopus Project, GLACY-e Development of the guide on investigation and prosecution of online scams

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## Inventory of capacity building projects

### Octopus Project

Duration: January 2021 – December 2027

Geographical scope: Global

Budget: Up to EUR 10.000.000,00

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

### CyberEast+

Duration: March 2024 – February 2027

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

Budget: EUR 3.900.000,00

Funding: European Union and the Council of Europe

### CyberSEE

Duration: January 2024 – June 2027

Geographical scope: South-eastern Europe and Türkiye

Budget: EUR: 5.500.000,00

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

### CyberSPEX

Duration: March 2024 – December 2026

Geographical scope: European Union Member States

Budget: EUR 2.230.000,00

Funding: European Union and the Council of Europe

### GLACY-e

Duration: August 2023 – December 2028

Geographical scope: Global

Budget: EUR 13.334.000,00

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 3.890.000,00

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

### Octopus Project – CYBERKOP Action

Duration: September 2023 – March 2026

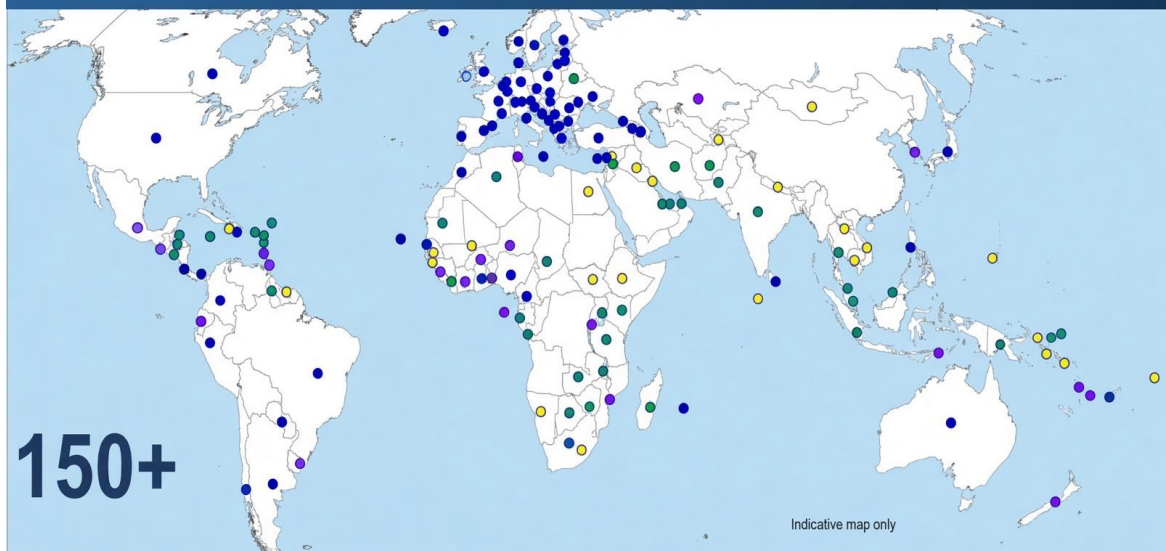
Geographical scope: Kosovo\*

Budget: EUR 750.000,00

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

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## Reach of the Convention on Cybercrime



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| <u>Parties:</u>           | 83        |                                                                              |          |            |
| <u>Signed:</u>            | 2         | Other States with substantive laws broadly in line with Budapest Convention: | 40+      |            |
| <u>Invited to accede:</u> | 12        | Further States drawing on Budapest Convention for legislation:               | 20+      |            |
| <b>=</b>                  | <b>97</b> |                                                                              | <b>=</b> | <b>60+</b> |

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