

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

Budapest Convention on Cybercrime

Opened for signature: 23 November 2001

Parties as of 30 June 2024: 75

Signatories and States invited to accede as of 30 June 2024: 20

T-CY

Members as of 30 June 2024: 75 States Parties

Observer States as of 30 June 2024: 18

Observer Organisations as of 30 June 2024: 11

STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 19 April 2024

Sierra Leone acceded to the Convention on Cybercrime

On 19 April 2024, the Embassy of Sierra Leone in Brussels deposited the instrument of accession to the Convention on Cybercrime (ETS 185).

With Sierra Leone's accession, 71 States are now Parties, two have signed it and 20 have been invited to accede to the Convention. [[READ MORE](#)]

STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 23 April 2024

Grenada accedes to the Convention on Cybercrime

On 22 April 2024, Grenada deposited the instrument of accession to the Convention on Cybercrime (ETS 185).

With Grenada's accession, 72 States are now Parties, two have signed it and 19 have been invited to accede to the Convention.

Grenada joining the Convention on Cybercrime may set an example for other countries of the Caribbean region to follow. [[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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STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 20 June 2024

30th T-CY plenary treaty ceremony sees Budapest Convention reach 75 Parties, Benin accede to the First Protocol and Czechia and Sierra Leone sign the Second Additional Protocol



On 20 June 2024, in the presence of the Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe Mr Bjørn Berge, and within the framework of the 30th plenary session of the T-CY, Benin, Fiji and Kiribati acceded to the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) (ETS 185). With these new accessions, 75 States are now Parties, two have signed it and 18 have been invited to accede to the Convention.

Additionally, Benin acceded to the First Additional Protocol to the Convention on cybercrime, concerning the criminalisation of acts of a racist and xenophobic nature committed through computer systems (ETS 189). Lastly, Czechia and Sierra Leone signed the [Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime](#) on enhanced co-operation and disclosure of electronic evidence (CETS 224). [[READ MORE](#)]

STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 27 June 2024

Application of the Budapest Convention extended to Curaçao

On 27 June 2024, in the presence of the Deputy Secretary General Bjørn Berge, Mr Shalten Hato, Minister of Justice of Curaçao, deposited the instruments of acceptance by the Netherlands of the territorial application of the Convention on Cybercrime (ETS 185). [[READ MORE](#)]

UPDATE: Joint Project Initiatives

GLACY-e, CyberEast+, CyberSEE, CyberSouth+, CyberUkraine and Octopus projects

PORT LOUIS, MAURITIUS, 1-2 April 2024

In person | GLACY-e and Octopus project: Introductory course for the Justices of the Supreme Court of Mauritius



On 1-2 April 2024, the Council of Europe supported the organisation of a dedicated high-level training on cybercrime and electronic evidence for the Supreme Court of Mauritius. The activity was organised in the framework of the [GLACY-e](#) joint project of the European Union and the Council of Europe, and the Council of Europe's [Octopus Project](#) based on voluntary contributions. [[READ MORE](#)]

SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL, 8-12 April 2024

In person | GLACY-e and Octopus Projects: The first pool of national judicial trainers of Brazil finalise the training programme on cybercrime and electronic evidence



The course was organised by the Federal Public Ministry of Brazil with the support of the GLACY-e and Octopus projects, aiming at reinforcing the pool of national trainers able to pass on their knowledge on cybercrime and e-evidence to their peers and to enhance therefore the country's criminal justice response. [[READ MORE](#)]

STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 5 April 2024

In person | C-PROC activity report for 2023

Today, Secretary General Marija Pejčinović Burić shared her report on the activities in 2023 of the [Cybercrime Programme Office \(C-PROC\)](#) of the Council of Europe with the Committee of Ministers. This report confirms once again the global scope and impact of capacity building by C-PROC:

"In 2023, the Office, through six projects (with a cumulative budget of over EUR 49 million and some 40 staff), supported 305 activities in all regions of the world (including 102 training events for judges, prosecutors and investigators) culminating in the Octopus Conference in Bucharest, Romania, from 13 to 15 December."



The publication of this report coincides with the 10th anniversary of C-PROC since it became operational in April 2014:

"In the ten years since its creation, C-PROC – through over 2,100 activities benefitting more than 130 countries – has made a significant contribution to the strengthening of legislation and criminal justice capacities on cybercrime and e-evidence worldwide in line with the Convention on Cybercrime and human rights and rule of law requirements. Between 2013 and 2023, the number of states with substantive criminal law in line with this Convention increased from 70 to 131. [Capacity building by C-PROC](#) has been a major factor for the growing reach and membership of this Convention (increase from 41 parties in 2013 to 69 by the end of 2023)."
[[READ MORE](#)]

BUCHAREST, ROMANIA, 11 April 2024***In person* | Ukraine is enhancing its co-operation with the Cybercrime Programme Office of the Council of Europe**

Nataliya Tkachuk, Secretary of the NCSCC and Head of the Information Security and Cybersecurity Service of the NSDC of Ukraine, alongside Ukrainian representatives of key cybersecurity entities, met with Alexander SEGER, Head of the Cybercrime Division of the Council of Europe at the Cybercrime Programme Office (C-PROC) headquarters in Bucharest. Representatives of the Romanian National Cyber Security Directorate and members of CyberUkraine and CyberEast+ project teams were also present.



[CyberEast+](#) (2024-2027), a joint project of the Council of Europe and of the European Union, and CyberUkraine (2024-2026), a Council of Europe project, assist Ukrainian authorities on matters of cybercrime policies and legislation, in line with the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) (Budapest Convention) and the [Second Additional Protocol](#) on enhanced co-operation and disclosure of electronic evidence. Ukraine has been a Party of the Budapest Convention since March 2006 and has signed the Second Additional Protocol in 2022.

Officials from the Office of the National Security and Defence Council of Ukraine, the Security Service of Ukraine, the Ministry of Defence of Ukraine, the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine, the State Service for Special Communications and Information Protection, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine and the National Bank of Ukraine exchanged views regarding capacity building initiatives on cybercrime and electronic evidence, including the collection of e-evidence of war crimes. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

BUCHAREST, ROMANIA, 11 April 2024***In person* | Ten years of cooperation between Romania and the Council of Europe for capacity building on cybercrime**

The Cybercrime Programme Office of the Council of Europe (C-PROC), based in Bucharest, celebrates this month 10 years since it was founded. On this occasion, on 11 April 2024 an event was organised in Bucharest with representatives of criminal justice authorities in Romania and other relevant institutions to discuss challenges they are facing as well as the way C-PROC can contribute to their capacity building. Romania is constantly supporting activities of this Office, by sharing experience, promoting international standards in the field of cybercrime, as well as in developing an international community of professionals. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

BUCHAREST, ROMANIA, 12 April 2024***In person* | Exchange of views with the diplomatic community and international organisations in Bucharest on the occasion of C-PROC's 10th anniversary**

Among the topics addressed the focus was on the overview of the history of the Office, on its model of operating and the international legislative standards on which its activity is based, on celebrating the results and impact during the first 10 years, on presenting lessons learned between 2014-2024 and the tools developed during these years, available for countries worldwide for strengthening their criminal justice authorities. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

ANKARA, TÜRKIYE, 27-28 May 2024

***In person* | CyberSEE and Octopus Project – CYBERKOP Action: International Conference on International Judicial Cooperation in Criminal Matters and Cybercrime**



The conference marked the 75th Anniversary of the Council of Europe and the 20th Anniversary of the Council of Europe Programme Office in Ankara, bringing together 150 criminal justice professionals and key partners, to discuss the challenges and the legal framework for international cooperation in criminal matters and to strengthen partnerships in combating cybercrime.

[CYBERKOP Action](#) of the [Octopus Project](#) supported the participation of an international delegation of representatives of judicial and law enforcement authorities from Pristina to gain insights into best practices related to cross-border judicial cooperation and to network with their counterparts in the region. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

GLOBAL, 30 May 2024

***Online* | Octopus Project, GLACY-e and International Association of Prosecutors: New series of webinars on practical implications of the Second Additional Protocol**

The International Association of Prosecutors ([IAP](#)), the [Octopus Project](#) and the EU-CoE [GLACY-e project](#) resumed dialogue with criminal justice authorities on the possible practical implementation of the Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention). [\[READ MORE\]](#)

**PRAGUE, CZECHIA, 4-6 June 2024**

***In person* | CyberSEE and Octopus Project – CYBERKOP Action: ISS World Training seminars for Law Enforcement, Financial Investigators and Cybersecurity Communities fighting against criminal activities over the Internet**



The event offered a variety of seminars and training sessions compiled into eight thematic tracks, covering tools, methodologies and equipment to enable law enforcement and intelligence communities to better tackle the challenges posed by the latest threats in cybercrime, cryptocurrencies, money laundering, artificial intelligence, darknet and other criminal activities conducted over telecommunications networks, the internet and social media. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

THE HAGUE, NETHERLANDS, 5-6 June 2024

***In person* | CyberSEE and Octopus Project – CYBERKOP Action: EUROPOL AP Twins Annual Expert Meeting on Protecting Children Against Sexual Exploitation and Abuse**

The event covered a range of topics, including the impact of artificial intelligence and virtual reality on child protection. It provided a chance to discuss safeguarding children both online and offline, and to explore innovative solutions to overcome these issues. At the same time, the meeting facilitated sharing of insights on preventive measures, legal frameworks and strategic approaches for law enforcement and judicial authorities, being a platform for networking, collaboration and learning. [\[READ MORE\]](#)



UPDATE: Octopus Project

Octopus project basics

Duration: January 2021 – December 2027

Budget: EUR 10 million

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

Participating countries/regions: Global

VICTORIA, SEYCHELLES, 2-3 April 2024

In person | Octopus Project: Workshop on legislation and accession to the Budapest Convention



Organized by the Vice-President's Office Department of Information Communications Technology in cooperation with the Council of Europe, the event included representatives from key institutions such as the Attorney General's Office, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Financial Crime Investigation Unit, and the Police. The focus was on enhancing legislative and technical capacities to handle cybercrime and electronic evidence. The Council of Europe, through the Octopus Project, will continue to support Seychelles.

NOUAKCHOTT, MAURITANIA, 15-17 April 2024

In person | Octopus Project: Workshop on cybercrime legislation and criminal justice capacities

The Ministry of Digital Transformation, Innovation, and Modernisation of Administration, in collaboration with the Council of Europe, organized a workshop in Nouakchott, Mauritania. The event aimed to align Mauritania's legislative framework on cybercrime and electronic evidence with the Budapest Convention's provisions. It was attended by about 40 high-level representatives, including criminal justice practitioners, decision-makers, and law enforcement officials from various ministries and agencies. The Mauritanian authorities expressed strong interest in expediting the alignment of their domestic laws with international standards, with ongoing support from the Council of Europe.

PRISTINA, KOSOVO*, 23-25 April 2024

In person | Octopus Project – CYBERKOP Action: Specialised judicial training course on international cooperation on cybercrime and electronic evidence

Addressed to prosecutors, representatives of the Academy of Justice and domestic trainers, the course aimed at further developing their knowledge and skills on the international legal standards, as well as tools and channels for international cooperation in cybercrime cases and exchange of electronic evidence offered by the [Convention on Cybercrime \(Budapest Convention\)](#) and its [Second Additional Protocol](#).

The training provided the participants with the opportunity to practice the use of T-CY templates for requesting data preservation and mutual legal assistance for subscriber information, to get familiar with the provisions of the Budapest Convention regarding spontaneous information and to learn about relevant EU instruments for international cooperation, such as European Investigation Order, European Arrest Warrant and Joint Investigation Team. The specialised judicial training course on international cooperation on cybercrime and electronic evidence was delivered under the [CYBERKOP Action](#) of the [Octopus Project](#).

Under CYBERKOP Action, the Cybercrime Programme Office will continue to support the reinforcement of capacities of criminal justice authorities for ensuring an adequate response to online offences and better protection of human rights in the on-line environment. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

** 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.*

STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 20 June 2024

***In person* | Octopus Project: Cyberviolence Resource presented during the No Hate Speech Week 2024**



To mark the 18 June as the International Day for Countering Hate Speech, the No Hate Speech Week was organised between 17-20 June 2024 by the Anti-discrimination Department in the framework of the EU-CoE joint project Building Civil Society's capacities to tackle hate speech online and supported by the Lithuanian Presidency of the Council of Europe. In this context, the Cyberviolence Resource, 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 for the benefit of citizens and criminal justice authorities worldwide, was presented during the Networking fair.

PUTRAJAYA, MALAYSIA, 26-28 June 2024

***In person* | Octopus Project: Workshop and consultations on cybercrime, electronic evidence and cybersecurity**

A workshop on cybercrime and electronic evidence was held by NACSA in cooperation with the Council of Europe for 40 representatives of Malaysia authorities. The event built on a previous workshop from September 2023. It clarified questions about domestic legislation compliance with the Convention on Cybercrime and led to immediate corrections in draft legal provisions. The workshop also increased interest in Malaysia's accession to the Budapest Convention.

The event coincided with the publication of the Cyber Security Act on 26 June 2024, and subsequent stakeholder consultations on 28 June 2024.

BANGKOK, THAILAND, 24-27 June 2024

***In person* | Octopus Project: Training of Thai prosecutors on cybercrime**

The Office of the Attorney General of Thailand and the Council of Europe organised a four-day training on cybercrime and electronic evidence for 25 Thai prosecutors.

In his opening remarks, Jumpon Phansumrit, Deputy Attorney General of Thailand, underlined the importance of equipping prosecutors with the necessary skills to address increasing challenges of cybercrime, including online scams, not only in Thailand but in the ASEAN region. He also called for more cooperation among prosecutors in this region.

Alexander Seger, Head of the Cybercrime Division of the Council of Europe, emphasized that strategic and sustainable approaches to training on cybercrime and e-evidence were needed. Within the framework of the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention), the Council of Europe is prepared to support Thailand in this respect.



This pilot course offered participants basic knowledge on technology and its impact on crime, procedures for investigating cybercrime and collecting e-evidence, and measures for international cooperation, including through the tools of the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) (Budapest Convention).

The course was organised under the Octopus Project of the Council of Europe. A voluntary contribution by the United States provided funding for this activity. [[READ MORE](#)]

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

LESOTHO, 24-26 April 2024

Online | GLACY-e: Introductory course on cybercrime for the Lesotho legal drafters boosts the legislative reform on cybercrime



On 24–26 April, the [GLACY-e](#) joint project of the European Union and the Council of Europe organised an Introductory Course on the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention) for Lesotho’s task force that is currently involved in the reform of the legal framework on cybercrime and electronic evidence. [[READ MORE](#)]

GLOBAL, 30 April 2024

Online | GLACY-e, INJT: enhanced knowledge through active participation during the practitioner-to-practitioner webinar on cyberviolence



More than 90 persons from around 15 countries all over the world connected to the webinar and engaged in highly active debates by sharing their views on a case scenario on cyberviolence. As the case scenario is part of a future course on gendered aspects of cybercrime, which will be rolled out in Ecuador as a pilot version, in May 2024, the webinar served as an opportunity to debate and further improve the case study. [[READ MORE](#)]

BANJUL, THE GAMBIA, 20-22 May 2024

In person | GLACY-e: Enhancing Gambia's legal framework - consultation on Electronic Evidence Bill

On 20 May 2024, a one-day consultation activity was held in Banjul, The Gambia aimed at assessing the provisions addressing electronic evidence, as part of the Evidence Bill. The workshop gathered more than 40 stakeholders from relevant institutions of The Gambia, including the [Ministry of Communications and Digital Economy \(MOCDE\)](#), Ministry of Justice (MoJ), [Gambia Police Force](#) and [Gambia Information and Communication Technology Agency](#).



The support to the consultation process, provided by the [GLACY-e project](#), was requested by the national authorities following the desk study of the legislation that was prepared in 2023. The desk study took into consideration international best practices and experience in assessing the electronic evidence legislation of other countries.

Hence, a one-day internal meeting was organised with the drafting team responsible to elaborate the final text of the evidence Bill. As a result of this work, the working group integrated the necessary changes in alignment with inputs received and existing legislative framework. [[READ MORE](#)]

CARTAGENA DE INDIAS, COLOMBIA, 20-22 May 2024

***In person* | GLACY-e and EL PACCTO 2.0: joint workshop on the implementation of the Second Additional Protocol in the LATAM region**

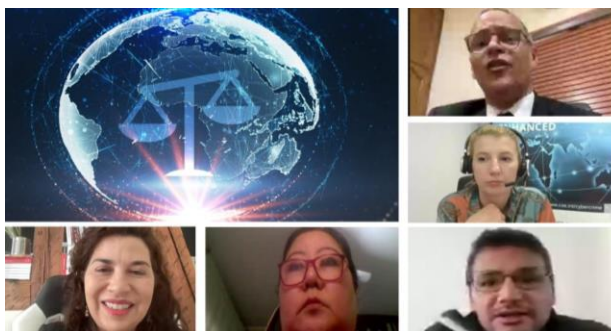


The [GLACY-e](#) joint project of the European Union and the Council of Europe teamed up with the [EL PACCTO 2.0](#) programme to facilitate the implementation of the Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention) in Latin American countries. The regional workshop was hosted by the Spanish Agency for International Cooperation or Development (AECID), in the [Training Center of the Spanish Cooperation](#) in Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, during 20-22 May 2024.

The [Convention on Cybercrime](#), as well as its [Second Additional Protocol](#), provide the most comprehensive international standards and tools for an effective cooperation among criminal justice authorities on cybercrime and the collection of electronic evidence in relation to any crime. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

GLOBAL, 28 May 2024

***Online* | GLACY-e, INJT: Fourth practitioner to practitioner webinar tackles OCSEA case scenario**



Two cybercrime professionals from Brazil prepared a fictive judicial case on the theme of Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (OCSEA), which served as a basis for a meaningful exchange of experience with the other members of the Network. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

YAOUNDE, CAMEROON, 28-30 May 2024

***In person* | GLACY-e: Advisory mission on supporting the legislative reform on cybercrime and electronic evidence and 24/7 Point of Contact (POC)**

In-depth presentations and discussions were held on the substantive provisions, procedural powers and international cooperation on cybercrime and e-evidence by analysing the provisions of the [Budapest Convention](#) towards the national legislation, emphasising the gaps and the potential improvements.

A key outcome derived from the discussions was the consensus on the relevance to incorporate all recommendations provided by the Council of Europe into the legislative amendments. Moreover, there was a notable recognition of the differentiation between cybersecurity and cybercrime, leading to internal discussions on the potential benefits of developing separate Bills to comprehensively address these distinct yet interconnected areas. This strategic consideration aims to optimise legislative measures and tailor them to effectively tackle specific challenges posed by cyber activities. [\[READ MORE\]](#)



SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA, 3-5 June 2024

***In person* | GLACY-e: Judges and prosecutors from Costa Rica and Peru strengthen their competencies on international cooperation mechanisms**

Based on a practical and interactive approach, the training provided the participants with updated insights on the instruments for international cooperation, especially on the current framework and practices for international cooperation under the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention) and its [Second Additional Protocol](#). During the training, the following challenges were addressed: the overall volatility of electronic evidence and the increased complexity for obtaining it since such evidence is stored in foreign, multiple, shifting, or unknown jurisdictions. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

BELGIUM AND THE NETHERLANDS, 11-20 June 2024

***In person* | GLACY-e: A delegation of Thai judges underwent a study programme to Europe to boost knowledge on cybercrime and electronic evidence**



The visit offered the opportunity of learning more about the functioning of judicial and law enforcement systems, interagency and international cooperation, as well as steps to take during an investigation and best practices from relevant cybercrime cases and cases involving electronic evidence.

The programme included a judicial training component on cybercrime and related topics delivered by three national trainers from the Philippines, previously trained under the [GLACY+](#) project and three federal cybercrime prosecutors from Belgium. [[READ MORE](#)]

NADI, FIJI, 13-14 June 2024

***In person* | GLACY-e: Support for the national conference on cybercrime for prosecutors**



A two-day National Conference on Cybercrime and E-evidence for Prosecutors opened today in Nadi, Fiji. Organised by the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP) with the support of the GLACY-e joint project of the European Union and Council of Europe and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the conference aims at increasing the mutual understanding on the needs and challenges faced by criminal justice authorities, particularly when dealing with cybercrime and electronic evidence. [[READ MORE](#)]

STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 17 June 2024

***In person* | 1st Steering Committee of GLACY-e project: strategic objectives and international collaboration on cybercrime**

More than 50 participants representing 30 countries have met in Strasbourg for the first Steering Committee of [GLACY-e \(Global Action on Cybercrime Enhanced\)](#), a joint project of the [European Union \(EU\)](#) and the [Council of Europe \(CoE\)](#). GLACY-e builds on efforts and achievements of its predecessor projects ([GLACY](#) and [GLACY+](#)) and focuses on strengthening capacities of states worldwide to apply legislation on cybercrime and electronic evidence.

During the meeting, GLACY-e partner countries discussed the overall progress of the project and shared key developments at country level. Equally, participants engaged in the presentation of feedback sessions and strategic planning to enhance collaborative efforts in combating cybercrime globally.



In its first semester of operation, GLACY-e has successfully facilitated 59 capacity building activities. Representatives of the eight hub countries are fully engaged in GLACY-e activities and are promoting active cooperation with other countries at regional level. Several partner countries (among others, Rwanda, Panama, Costa Rica, Colombia, Uruguay, Guatemala, Nigeria, Cameroon, Timor-Leste) are taking meaningful steps in the review of legislative cyber-crime processes, addressing alignment with the [Convention on Cybercrime \(Budapest Convention\)](#).

[INTERPOL](#) has also extensively contributed to ensuring law enforcement agencies in partner countries have the skills and knowledge to effectively investigate cybercrime, with a particular focus on cryptocurrencies investigations. GLACY-e is building synergies with other cybercrime related initiatives at regional level. Current and future discussions with other EU-funded projects and EU Delegations in Latin-America and the Pacific are specific examples. [[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

CHISINAU, THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA,

27-28 May 2024

In person | CYBEREAST+: Moldovan country team discussed cybercrime legislation reforms and strategic priorities in line with the Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime



The newly launched [CyberEast+](#) (2024-2027), a joint project of the European Union and of the Council of Europe, held on 27 May 2024 a meeting on cybercrime legislation reforms in view of implementation of the Second Additional Protocol, followed by a project coordination meeting with key stakeholders from the Republic of Moldova.

Representatives of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Internal Affairs, the Ministry of Justice, the Prosecutor General's Office, the Personal Data Protection Commissioner, the National Communications Regulator and members of local telecommunication providers discussed the state of play of cybercrime legislation, with a focus on co-operation with service providers, data protection and other cross-cutting matters.

The project coordination meeting, held on 28 May 2024, provided a detailed account of the CyberEast+ objectives and strategic priorities in the Republic of Moldova, ensuring that appropriate support will be given to the project counterparts, in line with the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) (Budapest Convention) and its Protocols. [[READ MORE](#)]

YEREVAN, ARMENIA, 30-31 MAY 2024

In person | CYBEREAST+: Advisory mission on online financial investigations in the Republic of Armenia

The [Investigative Committee of the Republic of Armenia](#), in collaboration with [CyberEast+](#) (2024-2027), a joint endeavour of the European Union and of the Council of Europe, organised an Advisory mission on parallel financial investigations, collection of financial intelligence, tracing the online crime proceeds, and prosecuting money laundering offences.



The Deputy Chairman of the Investigative Committee of the Republic of Armenia highlighted the rise, in recent years, of various types of cybercrime that target the financial sector, including money laundering, digital currencies and ransomware, which have become a major concern.

He also emphasised the need for further technical assistance and capacity-building activities, and acknowledged the support of the [CyberEast+](#) project in terms of legislative and policy frameworks compliant to the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) (Budapest Convention) and its [Second Additional Protocol on enhanced co-operation and disclosure of electronic evidence](#). The discussions, led by two Council of Europe consultants, explored the globally accepted "follow the money" principle, in conjunction with tracing the proceeds related to online crime, asset management and data on seized/confiscated property. [[READ MORE](#)]

VILNIUS, LITHUANIA, 17-19 June 2024***In person* | CYBEREAST+: Contribution to the 2024 session of the European Dialogue on Internet Governance (EuroDIG)**

14 law enforcement and civil society actors from the Eastern Partnership countries, funded by CyberEast+, a joint COE-EU project, engaged in discussions and exchanged views during the [2024 session of the European Dialogue on Internet Governance \(EuroDIG\) titled Balancing innovation and regulation](#). In her keynote address on the final day of the event, Marija Pejčinović Burić, Secretary General of the Council of Europe, called attention to the cutting-edge role of the Council of Europe in regard to public policy on internet governance.

"Our organisation has always understood the importance of balancing innovation and regulation when it comes to new technologies. But, in fact, it would be wrong to see these things as weighing against one another. Rather, they should move in tandem, ensuring that technology develops in a way that truly benefits our societies. This has been our approach with previous tech-related legal treatise. Our Budapest Convention on Cybercrime, which remains the international gold standard in its field, harmonises national laws, improves investigations and increases cross-border co-operation to tackle internet and computer-based crime (...)" noted the Secretary General.

The Council of Europe delegation from the Freedom of Expression and CDMSI Division, the Democratic Institutions and Freedoms Department, the Data Protection Unit and the Digital Development Unit co-organised several sessions that analysed the impact of the metaverse on human rights, best practices for handling disinformation, frameworks for fostering online safety and data protection regulations. The scope and context of the [Framework Convention on Artificial Intelligence and Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law](#) was presented on this occasion. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 17 JUNE 2024***In person* | CYBEREAST+: Planning Meeting of the CyberEast+ project**

[CyberEast+](#) (2024-2027), a joint endeavour of the Council of Europe and of the European Union, formally commenced on 1 March 2024 with a budget of 3.9 million EUR. The project focuses on ensuring effective criminal justice response to cybercrime and electronic evidence and increased cyber-resilience. This is achieved through targeted actions addressing the specific needs of its five beneficiary countries: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, the republic of Moldova and Ukraine. The project countries were convened for the Planning Meeting in Strasbourg, France, to discuss the objectives and current workplan.

More importantly, the representatives of the partner authorities in attendance focused on ways in which the planning of activities could ensure more ownership of the project and of its results by the countries themselves. Stronger interaction with training institutions, use of tools for selection and engagement of participants, as well as joint development of activity outlines, were among the themes emphasised during the meeting. The key takeaways showed that the CyberEast+ project is committed to ensuring that its activities are better tailored to the needs of Eastern Partnership stakeholders through more engaged planning and shared ownership of the action. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

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.

LISBON, PORTUGAL, 17-18 April 2024

In person | CyberSouth+ project starts its activities with 8 partners from the MENA region



On 17 and 18 April 2024, in Lisbon, the Cybercrime Programme Office launched the joint European Union/Council of Europe [CyberSouth+ project](#) with the support of the North-South Centre of the Council of Europe. Representatives from Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine* and Tunisia, as well as the European Commission Directorate-General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiation (DG NEAR) and project partners attended the launching event.

Furthermore, the event provided an overview on current threats and trends while allowing participants to exchange on tools to strengthen the co-operation in the MENA (Middle East and North Africa) region.

In particular, the conference focused on the Council of Europe legal instruments and standards on cybercrime as well as priorities of project partners such as public-private partnership, fight against money laundering and crypto currencies, online child sexual exploitation and abuse as well as freedom of expression and cybercrime. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

AMMAN, JORDAN, 23-24 April 2024

In person | CyberSouth+: Meeting with Jordanian stakeholders to discuss on the cybercrime legislation and future co-operation under the new project phase

Following the official launch of the [CyberSouth+ project](#), the Cybercrime Programme Office of the artificial intelligence in the context of cybercrime. The CyberSouth+ project contributed to the conference and presented the contextualization of the HELP course on cybercrime to the Moroccan legislative and institutional framework. [\[READ MORE\]](#)



ROME, ITALY, 10 May 2024

Online | CyberSouth+ contribution to the EU Cybersecurity Strategy for the Digital Decade course by the European Security and Defence College

On 10 May 2024, the CyberSouth+ project contributed to the session on Advancing a global and open Cyberspace of the course "The EU's Cybersecurity Strategy for the Digital Decade" by presenting on Council of Europe's cybercrime capacity building priorities. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

KENITRA, MOROCCO, 13-14 May 2024

***In person* | CyberSouth+: Contribution to the Multidisciplinary Conference on cybercrime and artificial intelligence challenges**



The Moroccan Centre for Polytechnic Research and Innovation (CMRPI), together with the National School of Applied Sciences, Ibn Tofail University – Kénitra (ENSAK) and the Council of Europe organised a conference on the challenges posed by artificial intelligence in the context of cybercrime. The CyberSouth+ project contributed to the conference and presented the contextualization of the HELP course on cybercrime to the Moroccan legislative and institutional framework. [[READ MORE](#)]

KOLEA, ALGERIA, 13-16 May 2024

***In person* | CyberSouth+: Training of Trainers on Cybercrime and E-evidence for Magistrates in Algeria**



The CyberSouth+ project supported the organization of a training of trainers' course for magistrates at the High School for Magistrates, in Kolea, Algeria, during 13-16 May 2024. Through this activity, the number of Algerian magistrates that can deliver training modules on cybercrime and electronic evidence to their peers has been significantly increased. [[READ MORE](#)]

CASABLANCA, MOROCCO, 21-23 May 2024

***In person* | CyberSouth+: Training course on dark web and cryptocurrency for Moroccan law enforcement agencies**

The CyberSouth+ project supported the School of the Gendarmerie Royale of Morocco in delivering a specialised training course on dark web and cryptocurrency for officials of the Police (DGSN), General Directorate for Territorial Surveillance (DGST), Prosecution Office and Gendarmerie.



The course combined a theoretical part on financial crimes and illegal use of cryptocurrency with practical exercises and simulation of investigations on the dark web. [[READ MORE](#)]

RABAT, MOROCCO, 23 May 2024

***In person* | CyberSouth+: Workshop on the First Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime and the amendments to the criminal code of Morocco**



The CyberSouth+ project supported the Ministry of Justice of Morocco in organising a workshop to discuss the criminalization of acts of a racist and xenophobic nature committed through computer systems, in line with the First Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention) and in view of the amendments to the criminal code. [[READ MORE](#)]

LEBANON, 5-6 June 2024

Online | CyberSouth+: Workshop on Standard Operating Procedures with Lebanon

The CyberSouth+ project organized a two-day workshop, online, with representatives from the Lebanese Internal Security Force (ISF) and judiciary on Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) in cybercrime cases and electronic evidence. The aim



of the event was to discuss the use of the SOPs developed with the support of the previous project CyberSouth (2017-2023), assess their validity as well as amendments and/or integration to cover all procedural aspects. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

TANGIER, MOROCCO, 6-8 June 2024

In person | CyberSouth+: Basic judicial training course on cybercrime and electronic evidence for magistrates



The CyberSouth+ project assisted the High Institutes for Magistrates of Morocco in organising a basic judicial training course on cybercrime and electronic evidence in Tangier, from 6 to 8 June 2024, enabling forty in service magistrates to acquire new skills and knowledge to fulfil their roles and functions in cases involving cybercrime and electronic evidence. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

TUNIS, TUNISIA, 11-13 June 2024

In person | CyberSouth+: Training of trainers on cybercrime and electronic evidence for magistrates



The Ministry of Justice of Tunisia, in co-operation with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and with the support of the CyberSouth+ project, organised a training-of-trainers course for magistrates, in Tunis, from 11 to 13 June 2024. The activity aimed at reinforcing the national pool of experts by increasing the number of judges and prosecutors able to train their colleagues, and thus ensuring sustainability of continuous education. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

ALGIERS, ALGERIA, 12-13 June 2024

In person | CyberSouth+: National guide on cybercrime and electronic evidence



The joint EU/CoE CyberSouth+ project paid an official visit to Algeria to discuss the development of a judicial national guide on cybercrime and electronic evidence and the support to the personal data protection regime, recently introduced by the country. Following up on previous activities carried out by the project, Algeria requested the CyberSouth+ project team to assist with the implementation of the recently adopted legislation on personal data protection, with reference to data used for criminal investigations, judicial decisions and international co-operation, also in light of the operational agreement currently under discussion with EUROJUST. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

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.

BUDAPEST, HUNGARY | SARAJEVO, BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA | BUDVA, MONTENEGRO | May 2024

In person | CyberSEE: Series of capacity building activities on cybercrime and electronic evidence organised in partnership with U.S. Department of Justice held in Hungary, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro



In May 2024, the [CyberSEE Project](#) joined forces with the U.S. Department of Justice for putting together a series of capacity building activities aiming to increase the knowledge of criminal justice representatives on conducting cybercrime investigations and handling of electronic evidence. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

NIS, SERBIA, 12-14 June 2024

In person | CyberSEE: Advanced Training for Police and Prosecution on Investigation and Seizure of Cryptocurrencies



Tailored for Serbian cybercrime investigators, prosecutors and digital forensics experts, the training addressed the suspect cryptocurrencies transactions from both investigative and confiscation perspectives. The course included interactive sessions such as exercises, practical case studies, guided discussions and presentations. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 17 June 2024

In person | CyberSEE Launch event and first meeting of the Project Steering Committee

[CyberSEE](#) joint project of the European Union and the Council of Europe organised its Launch event and the first Steering Committee meeting, on 17 June 2024, in Strasbourg, France.

The meeting gathered representatives from the European Commission, the Council of Europe and delegates from Public Prosecution Offices, Ministries of Justice, Police Cybercrime Investigation Units, Financial Investigation Units, Computer Emergency Response Teams and training institutions from all priority countries/areas.



The event achieved its goals of presenting the project's concept and workplan, while providing a platform for sharing developments and regional priorities for criminal justice actions on cybercrime and electronic evidence. The European Commission emphasised the project's relevance, the significant progress in the region, and their commitment to supporting the future project action.

The project's objectives were discussed, along with new concepts such as the Skill Sharing Programme, Cyber Olympics and crime scene investigation workshops. Additionally, the participants were provided with an overview of the activities implemented during the first six months and the proposed calendar for the upcoming period. The domestic project teams expressed their engagement towards the project's objectives and implementation. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

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

STRASBOURG, FRANCE, 20-21 June 2024

***In person* | Launching CyberSPEX - enhanced co-operation on e-evidence by EU Member States through the Second Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention)**



The new joint project of the European Union and the Council of Europe – [CyberSPEX](#) – was launched on the 20-21 June 2024, in Strasbourg, following the 30th plenary of the [Cybercrime Convention Committee \(TCY\)](#) and gathered representatives of 22 EU member States, including the European Commission, EUROJUST, EUROPOL and SIRIUS project.

The European Commission and the Council of Europe through its Cybercrime Programme Office ([C-PROC](#)) agreed to join forces in view of enhancing co-operation on cybercrime and electronic evidence between EU member States by contributing to the implementation and ratification of the Second Additional Protocol which builds upon already existing framework of international co-operation under the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention).

In August 2023, the European Union's [Regulation EU 2023/1543](#) on European Production Orders and European Preservation Orders for electronic evidence entered into force. It was complemented by the [Directive EU 2023/1544](#) on rules for designated establishments and legal representatives for the gathering of electronic evidence. The Regulation will become applicable as of 17 August 2026 and the Directive as of 17 February 2026.

[CyberSPEX](#) project started in March 2024 with a duration of two years and is designed to assist cooperation within EU member states and between Parties to the [Convention on Cybercrime](#) in the process of drafting, ratifying, and implementing domestic legislative changes in line with the new European Regulation together with the Directive and the [Second Additional Protocol](#) to the Convention on Cybercrime.

The event provided an opportunity to familiarise EU member States with the CyberSPEX project, share experience on the status of implementation of the Second Protocol, identify needs for support and activities to be further implemented.

Furthermore, clarifications were provided on legislative solutions under consideration by EU member States for provisions under articles 6, 7, 8, and 9 of the Second Protocol into domestic law, concerning direct cooperation and cooperation in emergencies. Additionally, representatives of the EU member States together with representatives of EUROJUST, EUROPOL, EJCN and SIRIUS project brought into discussion the different stages and early mechanisms of drafting or readapting domestic legislation on handling electronic evidence.

As a result, agreements were reached regarding the support to be provided through the CyberSPEX project to the EU member States in their domestic process for the implementation of the Second Protocol and to continue the cooperation with the EU agencies for developing the tools (guides, templates, training materials) envisaged by the project. [[READ MORE](#)]

Inventory of activities (April - June 2024)

April 2024

Octopus Project, GLACY-e	Training of Trainers - training skills and certification programme for CoE judicial trainers (magistrates and prosecutors), Mauritius, <i>in person</i> , 28-30 March 2024 and 1 April 2024
Octopus Project, GLACY-e	Introductory course for Supreme Court judges, Mauritius, <i>in person</i> , 1-2 April 2024
Octopus Project	Advisory mission on legislation and accession to the Budapest Convention, Seychelles, <i>in person</i> , 2-3 April 2024
GLACY-e	Workshop on the draft cybercrime bill with key stakeholders, Rwanda, <i>in person</i> , 3-5 April 2024
Octopus Project, GLACY-e	Advanced Course on Cybercrime and electronic evidence for prosecutors (national trainers), Brazil, <i>in person</i> , 8-12 April 2024
C-PROC, Octopus Project	Ten years of cooperation between Romania and the Council of Europe for capacity building on cybercrime, Romania, <i>in person</i> , 11 April 2024
C-PROC, Octopus Project	Exchange of views with the diplomatic community and international organisations in Bucharest on the occasion of C-PROC's 10th anniversary, Romania, <i>in person</i> , 12 April 2024
Octopus Project - CYBERKOP Action	Domestic workshop on agreements on international legal cooperation in criminal matters, Kosovo*, <i>in person</i> , 12-13 April 2024
Octopus Project, GLACY-e	Advisory mission on cybercrime legislation, Mauritania, <i>in person</i> , 15-17 April 2024
GLACY-e	Support for participation in the informal meeting - UN AHC, Austria, <i>in person</i> , 15-17 April 2024
GLACY-e	Support for participation in the Cyber Crime Conference, Italy, <i>in person</i> , 17-18 April 2024
CyberSouth+	Launching event of CyberSouth+ project, Portugal, <i>in person</i> , 17-18 April 2024
GLACY-e	Support for the legislative reform on cybercrime and electronic evidence - workshop with key stakeholders, Panama, <i>online</i> , 23 April 2024
CyberSouth+	Visit to Jordan: new cybercrime legislation and national interest in the Budapest Convention, Jordan, <i>in person</i> , 23-24 April 2024
Octopus Project - CYBERKOP Action	Specialised Judicial Training Course on International Cooperation and spontaneous information, Kosovo, <i>in person</i> , 23-25 April 2024
CyberSEE	GFCE Western Balkans Group Meeting, <i>online</i> , 24 April 2024

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GLACY-e	Participation in the Capacity Building Seminar for Latin America countries, organized by Czechia, Colombia, <i>in person</i> , 24-26 April 2024
GLACY-e	Introductory course on Budapest Convention for the task force involved in the legislative reform on cybercrime and electronic evidence, Lesotho, <i>online</i> , 24-26 April 2024
GLACY-e	Support for the legislative process on data protection, Sierra Leone, <i>desk study</i> , by 26 April 2024
GLACY-e	Data protection requirements in transborder transfer of personal data - INTERPOL experience, Ecuador, <i>online</i> , 29-30 April 2024
GLACY-e	10th Africa Working Group meeting on Cybercrime for Heads of Units, Nigeria, <i>in person</i> , 29 April – 3 May 2024
GLACY-e, CyberSEE	The INJT Practitioners-to-practitioners practical case scenario exercise on romance scams, <i>online</i> , 30 April 2024
Octopus Project	Further development of the Cyberviolence Resource, April-June 2024
Octopus Project	Further development of the Octopus Platform, April-June 2024
Octopus Project	Further development of the CYBOX training platform, April-June 2024

May 2024

GLACY-e	High Level workshop for policymakers of the Pacific Islands, Pacific, <i>online</i> , 6 May 2024
GLACY-e	Stakeholder workshop on the role and responsibilities of 24/7 POC, Ecuador, <i>online</i> , 8-9 May 2024
GLACY-e	Stakeholder workshop on the role and responsibilities of 24/7 POC and central authorities, Kiribati, <i>online</i> , 8-10 May 2024
CyberSouth+	ESDC course "The EU's Cybersecurity Strategy for the Digital Decade", international, <i>online</i> , 8-10 May 2024
CyberSouth+	Conference on cybercrime and the challenges of artificial intelligence, Morocco, <i>in person</i> , 13-14 May 2024
GLACY-e	Consultation and consolidation workshop on the draft bill on cybercrime and electronic evidence, Malawi, <i>in person</i> , 13-15 May 2024
CyberSouth+	Training of trainers for new reference magistrates, Algeria, <i>in person</i> , 13-16 May 2024
GLACY-e	Pilot delivery of the specialised module on gendered aspects of cybercrime (train the trainers), Ecuador, <i>in person</i> , 13-17 May 2024
CyberSEE	Counter Ransomware Initiative Policy Pillar meeting, United Kingdom, <i>in person</i> , 14 May 2024

CyberSEE	Meeting of US – Eastern European Cryptocurrency working group, with DoJ, Hungary, <i>in person</i> , 14-16 May 2024
CyberSEE	Workshop on Darknet, Ransomware and the move to Monero, with DoJ, Hungary, <i>in person</i> , 15 May 2024
CyberSEE	Cyber Project Community Meeting, Belgium, <i>in person</i> , 15 May 2024
Octopus Project	Advisory mission on cybercrime legislation, Kazakhstan, <i>in person</i> , 15 May 2024
CyberSEE	ECTEG General Assembly, Krakow, Poland, <i>in person</i> , 16-17 May 2024
GLACY-e	Awareness workshop with the Parliament on the Budapest Convention, Ecuador, <i>in person</i> , 17 May 2024
Octopus Project - CYBERKOP Action	Domestic workshop on agreements on international legal cooperation in criminal matters with Belgium, Kosovo, <i>in person</i> , 17-18 May 2024
GLACY-e	Consultation workshop on the draft amendments to the Evidence Act, The Gambia, <i>in person</i> , 20-22 May 2024
GLACY-e	Regional workshop on Second Additional Protocol for LATAM, Colombia, <i>in person</i> , 20-22 May 2024
GLACY-e	Regional virtual assets training, Mauritius, <i>in person</i> , 20-24 May 2024
GLACY-e	Introductory course on Budapest Convention for the task force involved in the legislative reform on cybercrime and electronic evidence, Cameroon, <i>online</i> , 21-22 May 2024
CyberSouth+	Training course on Darknet and crypto-currencies, Morocco, <i>in person</i> , 21-23 May 2024
Octopus Project - CYBERKOP Action	Domestic workshop on agreements on international legal cooperation in criminal matters with Sweden, Kosovo, <i>in person</i> , 22-24 May 2024
GLACY-e	High level national workshop on the cybercrime legislation and round table to agree on the road map for a legislative reform, Colombia, <i>in person</i> , 23 May 2024
CyberSouth+	Analysis of the compliance of the Moroccan Criminal Code with the First Additional Protocol, Morocco, <i>in person</i> , Morocco, <i>in person</i> , 23 May 2024
CyberSEE	Workshop on electronic evidence for law enforcement, judges and prosecutors, with DoJ, Bosnia and Herzegovina, <i>in person</i> , 23-24 May 2024
CyberSEE	Workshop on dark market investigations and seizure of cryptocurrencies, with DoJ, Bosnia and Herzegovina, <i>in person</i> , 24 May 2024
CyberEast+	Meeting on cybercrime legislation reforms / Workshop on the Second Protocol / Project country team coordination, Moldova, <i>in person</i> , 27-28 May 2024
CyberSEE, Octopus Project - CYBERKOP Action	International Conference on International Judicial Cooperation in Criminal Matters and Cybercrime, Türkiye, <i>in person</i> , 27-28 May 2024

CyberSEE	Provide guidance on practical use of Articles 8, 9, 10 and 12 of the SAP and relevant templates for requests, Türkiye, <i>in person</i> , 27-28 May 2024
GLACY-e, CyberSEE, Octopus Project - CYBERKOP Action	Fourth webinar of the fourth practitioner-to-practitioner series (under the framework of the International Network of Judicial Trainers) - OCSEA case, <i>online</i> , 28 May 2024
CyberSEE	Regional workshop on strategies and practices of law enforcement training on cybercrime and electronic evidence, with DoJ, Montenegro, <i>in person</i> , 28-29 May 2024
CyberSouth+	National workshop on legislation - procedural powers, Tunisia, <i>in person</i> , 28-29 May 2024
GLACY-e	Advisory mission on legislation, Cameroon, <i>in person</i> , 28-30 May 2024
CyberSEE	Domestic meetings on implementation or update of cybercrime/electronic evidence training in law enforcement training institutions of Serbia, Türkiye, Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, <i>in person</i> , 29 May 2024
GLACY-e	Participation of Filipino case officers in in the INTERPOL Digital Piracy Workshop, France, <i>in person</i> , 29-31 May 2024
Octopus Project, GLACY-e and IAP	New series of webinars on practical implications of the Second Additional Protocol, <i>online</i> , 30 May 2024
CyberEast+	Advanced cybercrime training: Advisory mission on financial investigations, Armenia, <i>in person</i> , 30-31 May 2024
GLACY-e	Stakeholder workshop on the role and responsibilities of 24/7 POC, Cameroon, <i>in person</i> , 31 May 2024
Octopus Project, T-CY	Fourth round of assessing the implementation of the Convention on Cybercrime, <i>desk research</i> , March-August 2024
Octopus Project	Regional study on cybercrime legislation in the Southeast Asia, <i>desk research</i> , May-August 2024
Octopus Project	Further development of the Cyberviolence Resource, April-June 2024
Octopus Project	Further development of the Octopus Platform, April-June 2024
Octopus Project	Further development of the CYBOX training platform, April-June 2024

June 2024

GLACY-e	Specialized course on international cooperation, Costa Rica, Peru, <i>in person</i> , 3-5 June 2024
CyberSEE, Octopus Project - CYBERKOP Action	ISS World Europe Training seminars for Law Enforcement, Financial Investigators and Cybersecurity Communities fighting against criminal activities over the Internet, Czechia, <i>in person</i> , 4-6 June 2024

CyberSEE, Octopus Project - CYBERKOP Action	ISS World Europe: International workshops on "cyber investigators essential toolbox" used to collect e-evidence in the investigation of cybercrime and money laundering, Czechia, <i>in person</i> , 5 June 2024
CyberSEE, Octopus Project - CYBERKOP Action	EUROPOL AP Twins Annual Expert Meeting on OCSEA, The Netherlands, <i>in person</i> , 5-6 June 2024
CyberSouth+	Workshop with ISF Lebanon to review the existing SOPs and check the needs of update, Lebanon, <i>in person</i> , 5-6 June 2024
CyberSEE, Octopus Project - CYBERKOP Action	ISS World Europe: International workshops on data interception, on-scene triage, acquisition and forensics tools such as FTK and Cellebrite, Czechia, <i>in person</i> , 6 June 2024
CyberSEE Octopus Project - CYBERKOP Action	Regional Meeting on trends, tools and challenges in investigation of OCSEA, The Netherlands, <i>in person</i> , 6 June 2024
CyberSouth+	Basic judicial training on cybercrime and electronic evidence for magistrates, Morocco, <i>in person</i> , 6-8 June 2024
GLACY-e	Support for the final round of consultations on the Cybercrime Bill, Rwanda, <i>in person</i> , 10 June 2024
GLACY-e	Awareness workshop with the Parliament on the Budapest Convention, Fiji, <i>in person</i> , 10 June 2024
GLACY-e	Introductory course on cybercrime and electronic evidence for prosecutors, Fiji, <i>in person</i> , 10-12 June 2024
GLACY-e	Support for participation in the 3rd International Cyber Offender Prevention Network (InterCOP) Conference, France, <i>in person</i> , 11-12 June 2024
GLACY-e	Workshop on finalizing the Cybercrime Bill, Rwanda, <i>in person</i> , 11-13 June 2024
CyberSouth+	Training of trainers for new reference magistrates, Tunisia, <i>in person</i> , 11-13 June 2024
GLACY-e	Study visit to Europe of a delegation of judges from Thailand, Belgium, Netherlands, <i>in person</i> , 11-20 June 2024
CyberSouth+	Visit to discuss the National guide on cybercrime and electronic evidence, Algeria, <i>in person</i> , 12-13 June 2024
CyberSEE	Domestic training on investigation and confiscation of cryptocurrencies, types of wallets and tools to monitor transactions, with OSCE, Serbia, <i>in person</i> , 12-14 June 2024
CyberSEE	Workshop on tracing cryptocurrency transactions and advanced techniques and emerging trends in Blockchain, with OSCE, Serbia, <i>in person</i> , 13 June 2024
GLACY-e	Participation in the Crime fighting week, Belgium, <i>in person</i> , 13-14 June 2024

GLACY-e, Octopus Project	Support for the national conference on cybercrime for prosecutors, Fiji, <i>in person</i> , 13-14 June 2024
GLACY-e	1 st Steering Committee of the project, France, <i>hybrid</i> , 17 June 2024
CyberSEE	CyberSEE Project Launch and 1 st Steering Committee Meeting, France, <i>in person</i> , 17 June 2024
CyberSEE	Regional meeting for criminal justice authorities to agree on regional priorities for criminal justice action on cybercrime and e-evidence and OCSEA, France, <i>in person</i> , 17 June 2024
CyberEast+	EuroDIG 2024 - Workshop on Cyber Resilience, Lithuania, <i>in person</i> , 17-19 June 2024
CyberEast+	Planning Meeting of the CyberEast+ project, France, <i>in person</i> , 17 June 2024
T-CY, C-PROC	30 th Plenary of the T-CY, France, <i>in person</i> , 18-20 June 2024
GLACY-e	E-evidence training first responders course (national pilot course, FR language), Mauritius, <i>in person</i> , 24-27 June 2024
Octopus Project	Introductory Judicial Training on cybercrime and e-evidence for Thai prosecutors, Thailand, <i>in person</i> , 24-27 June 2024
CyberSEE	Regional meeting of LEAs and CERTs on emerging cyber threats and timely exchange of cyber threat information (with AL EMPACT OAP 8.2), Albania, <i>in person</i> , 25 June 2024
Octopus Project	Workshop on legislation, capacity building and interagency cooperation in Malaysia, <i>in person</i> , Malaysia, 26-28 June
Octopus Project, T-CY	Fourth round of assessing the implementation of the Convention on Cybercrime, <i>desk research</i> , March-August 2024
Octopus Project	Regional study on cybercrime legislation in the Southeast Asia, <i>desk research</i> , May-August 2024
Octopus Project	Further development of the Cyberviolence Resource, April-June 2024
Octopus Project	Further development of the Octopus Platform, April-June 2024
Octopus Project	Further development of the CYBOX training platform, April-June 2024

Coming next (July - September 2024)

July 2024

GLACY-e	Training on financial crime investigations – English edition, Zimbabwe, <i>in person</i> , 1-4 July 2024
Octopus Project - CYBERKOP Action	Domestic joint workshop on cryptocurrencies – analysis to confiscation, Kosovo, <i>in person</i> , July 2024 (TBC)
CyberEast+	Training on use of Budapest Convention in armed conflict, Ukraine, <i>hybrid</i> , 2-3 July 2024
GLACY-e	Advisory mission on developing specialized units in cybercrime, Rwanda, <i>in person</i> , 5 July 2024
GLACY-e	Training on financial crime investigations – French edition, Côte d'Ivoire, <i>in person</i> , 8-11 July 2024
GLACY-e	Strengthening the capacity of police to investigate OCSEA cases and initiation of membership in ICSE database, Philippines, <i>in person</i> , 8-12 July 2024
CyberEast+	Meeting on cybercrime legislation reforms / Workshop on the Second Protocol / Project country team coordination, Armenia, <i>in person</i> , 9-10 July 2024
CyberSEE	Regional workshop on Internet investigations, with DoJ, Türkiye, <i>in person</i> , 10-11 July 2024
CyberSouth+	Training of trainers for new reference magistrates, Jordan, <i>in person</i> , 14-17 July 2024
CyberSouth+	Workshop on the links between cybersecurity and cybercrime, Tunisia, <i>in person</i> , 16-17 July 2024
GLACY-e	On demand training module on cryptocurrencies, Dominican Republic, <i>in person</i> , 22-25 July 2024
GLACY-e	Strengthening the capacity of police to investigate OCSEA cases and initiation of membership in ICSE database, Sri Lanka, <i>in person</i> , 29 July – 2 August 2024 (TBC)
T-CY, C-PROC	Reconvened concluding session (7bis) of the UN Ad Hoc Committee, New York, USA, <i>hybrid</i> , 29 July-9 August 2024
Octopus Project, T-CY	Fourth round of assessing the implementation of the Convention on Cybercrime, <i>desk research</i> , March-August 2024
Octopus Project	Regional study on cybercrime legislation in the Southeast Asia, <i>desk research</i> , May-July 2024
Octopus Project	Further development of the Cyberviolence Resource, July-September 2024
Octopus Project	Further development of the Octopus Platform, July-September 2024
Octopus Project	Further development of the CYBOX training platform, July-September 2024

August 2024

GLACY-e	Workshop on Budapest Convention and national legislative reform, Panama, <i>in person</i> , 21 August 2024
GLACY-e	Workshop on Budapest Convention and SAP for ISPs, Panama, <i>in person</i> , 22 August 2024
GLACY-e	Workshop on finalizing the Cybercrime draft law, Panama, <i>in person</i> , 23 August 2024
GLACY-e	Adult training methodology for national trainers (prosecutors), Brazil, <i>online</i> , 26-27 August 2024
GLACY-e	9th Meeting of the Americas Working Group of Head of Units, Brazil, <i>in person</i> , 26-30 August 2024
GLACY-e	Regional workshop on channels and avenues, Brazil, <i>in person</i> , week of 26 August 2024
GLACY-e	Regional workshop on training strategies, Brazil, <i>in person</i> , week of 26 August 2024
CyberSouth+	Legislative review of domestic frameworks in 4 priority countries
CyberSouth+	Review of national curricula on cybercrime and e-evidence of Police and Judicial academies in all priority countries
Octopus Project	Further development of the Cyberviolence Resource, July-September 2024
Octopus Project	Further development of the Octopus Platform, July-September 2024
Octopus Project	Further development of the CYBOX training platform, July-September 2024

September 2024

GLACY-e	Introductory course for national trainers (prosecutors, magistrates and judges, police PoC and COLCERT), Colombia, <i>in person</i> , first/second week of September 2024
C-PROC	Underground Economy 2024, France, <i>in person</i> , 2-5 September 2024
GLACY-e	Africa Surge 3.0, Ghana, <i>in person</i> , 2-5 September 2024 (TBC)
CyberSEE	International workshop on gathering OCSEA electronic evidence by using dedicated tools, France, <i>in person</i> , 2-5 September 2024
CyberSEE	International workshop on cooperation between cybersecurity institutions and criminal justice authorities in cases of cybercrime, France, <i>in person</i> , 2-5 September 2024
CyberEast+	Advanced training for Moldovan judges with IJN, Moldova, <i>in person</i> , 9-12 September 2024
CyberSEE	Regional cybercrime training, with SEPCA, WB3C and OSCE, Montenegro, <i>in person</i> , 11-13 September 2024
CyberSEE	Regional practical exercise on crime scene investigation and collection of evidence, Montenegro, <i>in person</i> , 11-13 September 2024

CyberEast+	Regional Meeting on Second Protocol with focus on requirements for the EU candidates / Launching event of the project, Belgium, <i>in person</i> , week of 16 September 2024
GLACY-e	1 st Meeting of the Asia South Pacific Working Group of Head of Units, Philippines, <i>in person</i> , 17-19 September 2024
CyberSEE	Cybercrime investigations course in cooperation with Australian Federal Police, Serbia, <i>in person</i> , 23-27 September 2024
C-PROC	International workshop on spontaneous information, together with EUROJUST, The Netherlands, <i>in person</i> , 25-26 September 2024
CyberSouth+	Regional workshop with multinational service providers, Italy, <i>in person</i> , mid-September 2024
CyberSouth+	Regional exercise for law enforcement agencies on live forensics and crypto, <i>in person</i> , end of September 2024 (TBD)
GLACY-e	Advanced Course on Cybercrime and electronic evidence for prosecutors (national trainers), Colombia, <i>in person</i> , 30 September – 4 October 2024
Octopus Project, Glacy-e	New series of webinars on practical implications of the Second Additional Protocol, <i>online</i> , September 2024 (TBC)
Octopus Project	Further development of the Cyberviolence Resource, July-September 2024
Octopus Project	Further development of the Octopus Platform, July-September 2024
Octopus Project	Further development of the CYBOX training platform, July-September 2024
Octopus Project - CYBERKOP Action	Assessment of compliance with substantive law provisions of Articles 2 to 12 of the Budapest Convention on Cybercrime and relevant EU standards (TBC)
Octopus Project - CYBERKOP Action	Domestic workshops and tabletop exercises to enhance international cooperation on cybercrime and rapid exchange of information and electronic evidence, including by the use of provisions provided by the SAP (TBC)

Inventory of capacity building projects

Octopus Project

Duration: January 2021 – December 2027

Geographical scope: Global

Budget: EUR 10 million

Funding: Voluntary contributions by Canada, 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 Turkiye

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

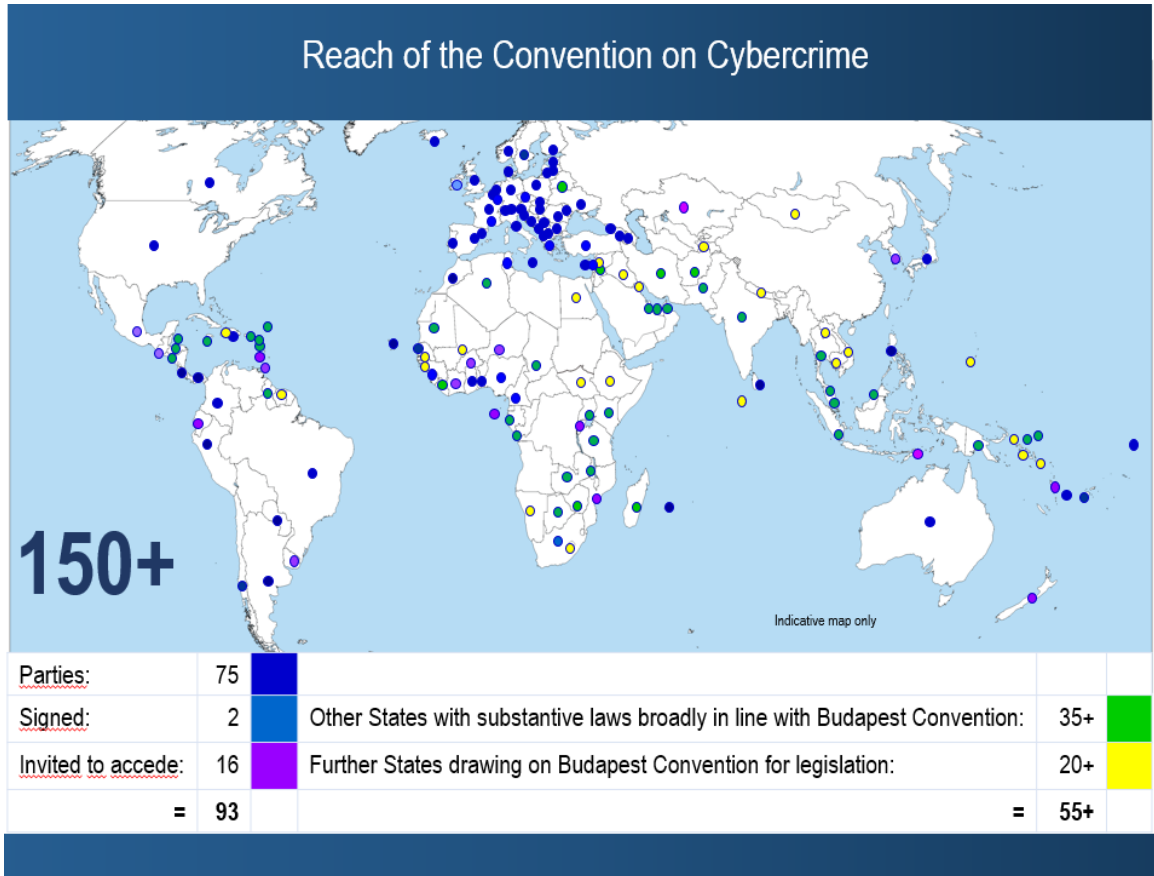
Duration: 18 September 2023 - 18 March 2026

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



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