

ROUND TABLE-Cybercrime threats

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Aim of the round table

- To discuss challenges of cybercrime and online child exploitations
- To identify new synergies with public and private partners
- To introduce the work of the Council of Europe Cybercrime Programme Office



Partners

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



Introduction

- Cybercrime Programme Office (C-PROC)
- Cybercrime capacity building projects
- Cybercrime challenges
- Cybercrime and e-evidence as transversal challenges



Cybercrime Programme Office (C-PROC)

- Committee of Ministers decision October 2013
- Operational as from April 2014
- Currently 30 staff
- Location: Bucharest, Romania
- Volume of projects: ca. 30 million EUR

 Task: Support countries worldwide to strengthen criminal justice capacities on cybercrime and electronic evidence

Cybercrime Programme Office (C-PROC)

- <u>Specialised Office</u> of the Council of Europe to respond to the growing need for capacity-building on cybercrime worldwide in a visible and credible manner.
- Capacity-building activities b he intergovernmental • activities of the Cybercrime Y), which is managed from Strasbourg. 737 activities involving more than 150 countries The Office is funded by extra • since 2014 Identify needs for capacity-b 117 activities supported crime. • in first Semester 2019 Advice, support and co-ordir ion and timely • on cybercrime, including implementation of targeted Q joint programmes with the European Union and other donors.
- Ensure the <u>cooperation</u> with the authorities of Romania in matters regarding cybercrime.

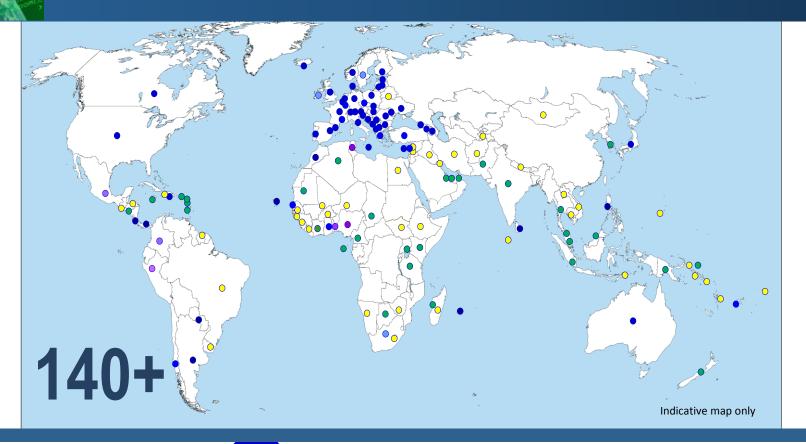
Cooperation on Cybercrime: The approach of the Council of Europe

1 Common standards: Budapest Convention on Cybercrime and relates standards

2 Follow up and assessments: Cybercrime Convention Committee (T-CY) "Protecting you and your rights in cyberspace"

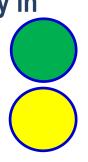
3 Capacity building: C-PROC ► Technical cooperation programmes

REACH of the Budapest Convention



Ratified/acceded: 64 Signed: 3 Invited to accede: 6 = 73 Other States with laws/draft laws largely in line with Budapest Convention = 20+

Further States drawing on Budapest Convention for legislation = 50+



Keeping the Budapest Convention up to date

Protocol on Xenophobia and Racisms via Computer Systems (31 Parties + 13 Signatories)

Guidance Notes on

- Notion of computer systems
- Botnets
- Malware
- Spam
- Terrorism
- Transborder access to data (Article 32)
- Production Orders for Subscriber Information (Article 18)
- Election interference
- Protocol on enhanced international cooperation under negotiation
- = Budapest Convention remains up-to-date and relevant

Cybercrime@Octopus (voluntary contribution funded)

CyberEast EU/COE Eastern Partnership region

iPROCEEDS EU/COE IPA region

GLACY+ EU/COE Joint Project on Global Action on Cybercrime

CyberSouth EU/COE MENA region

EndOCSEA IPA and EAP regions

Funded by the European Union and the Council of Europe





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Multiple objectives:

- Legislation and policies
- Specialised units (LE and prosecution)
- Training of LE representatives and magistrates
- Inter-agency cooperation
- Public/private cooperation
- Targeting proceeds from crime online
- International cooperation

Priority to countries
committed to
implement
Budapest
Convention

 Support to any country regarding legislation

- Differentiating subscriber versus traffic versus content data
- Limited effectiveness of MLA
- Loss of location and transborder access jungle
- Provider present or offering a service in the territory of a Party
- Voluntary disclosure by US-providers
- Emergency procedures
- Data protection



- New technological developments (Encryption, TOR, Crypto-currency, VoIP, etc)
- Limited resources for LE authorities
- Volatility of data
- Increasingly need of e-evidence from abroad and the cloud
- Jurisdiction (territoriality of investigative powers versus data and services in the cloud)
- Instruments and channels for international cooperation (public authorities and private sector)



- Definition of cybercrime (crimes against computer systems and data and by means of computer systems)
- Online child exploitation (recruitment, images, abuses, financial and technical instruments)
- Terrorism (communication, propaganda, attacks, critical infrastructure, finance activities)
- Drug trafficking (communication, online selling, payment instrument)
- Human beings trafficking (recruitment, communication, payment instruments)



- Electronic evidence in relation to ANY type of crime (categories of data, exchange, international cooperation)
- On-line financial investigations (nature of cybercrime, payment instruments, money flow on the Internet)
- Data protection (conditions and safeguards)
- Cybersecurity (strategy, critical infrastructure, security measures, offences, cooperation LE and CERT)



Cyber violence

Mapping study on cyberviolence -9 July 2018

- focuses on children and women
- computers used to create or facilitate violence
- agreed on the concept of cyber violence
- mapping acts that constitute cyberviolence and drawing conclusions as to typologies and concepts
- providing examples of national experiences and responses to such acts (including policies, strategies, legislation, cases and case law);
- discussing international responses under the Budapest Convention and other treaties (in particular the Istanbul and Lanzarote Conventions of the Council of Europe)
- developing recommendations as to the further course of action

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