International Network of the National Judicial Trainers

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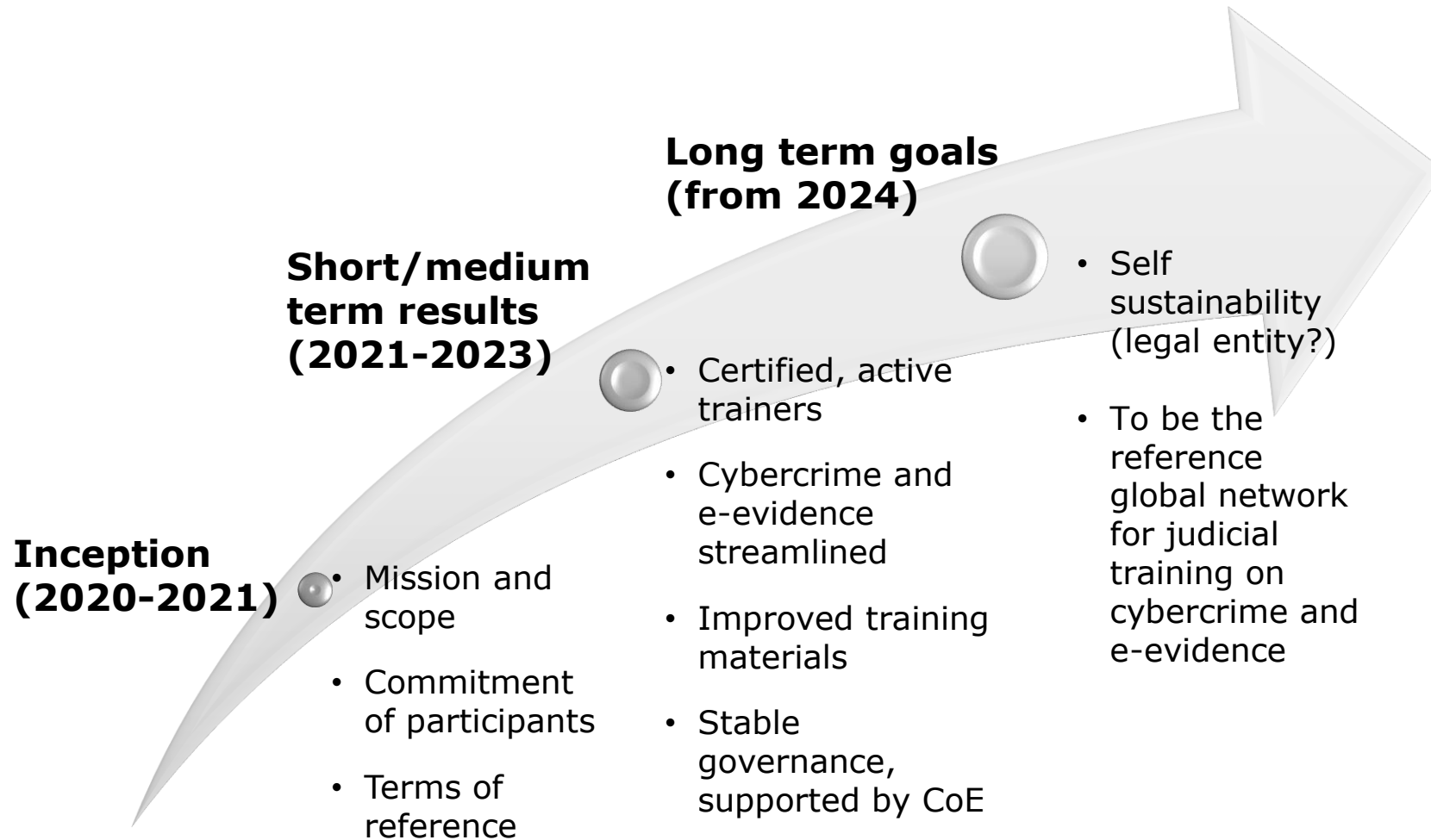Prosecutor, Unit for Capacity Building and Supervision, Public Ministry, Costa Rica

- **Need** to establish **national mechanisms to ensure sustainable and continuous training** on cybercrime and electronic evidence for judicial authorities and prosecution service.

- **Need** of an **extended pool of trainers** able and committed to deliver judicial training programmes on cybercrime and electronic evidence at the national, regional and international level.

- **Need** for **continuous update and increase of skills of judicial trainers** on matters related to cybercrime, electronic evidence and adult training methodology.

Roadmap for setting up the International Network of judicial trainers

Long term goals (from 2024)

Short/medium term results (2021-2023)

Inception (2020-2021)

- Mission and scope
- Commitment of participants
- Terms of reference

- Certified, active trainers
- Cybercrime and e-evidence streamlined
- Improved training materials
- Stable governance, supported by CoE

- Self sustainability (legal entity?)
- To be the reference global network for judicial training on cybercrime and e-evidence
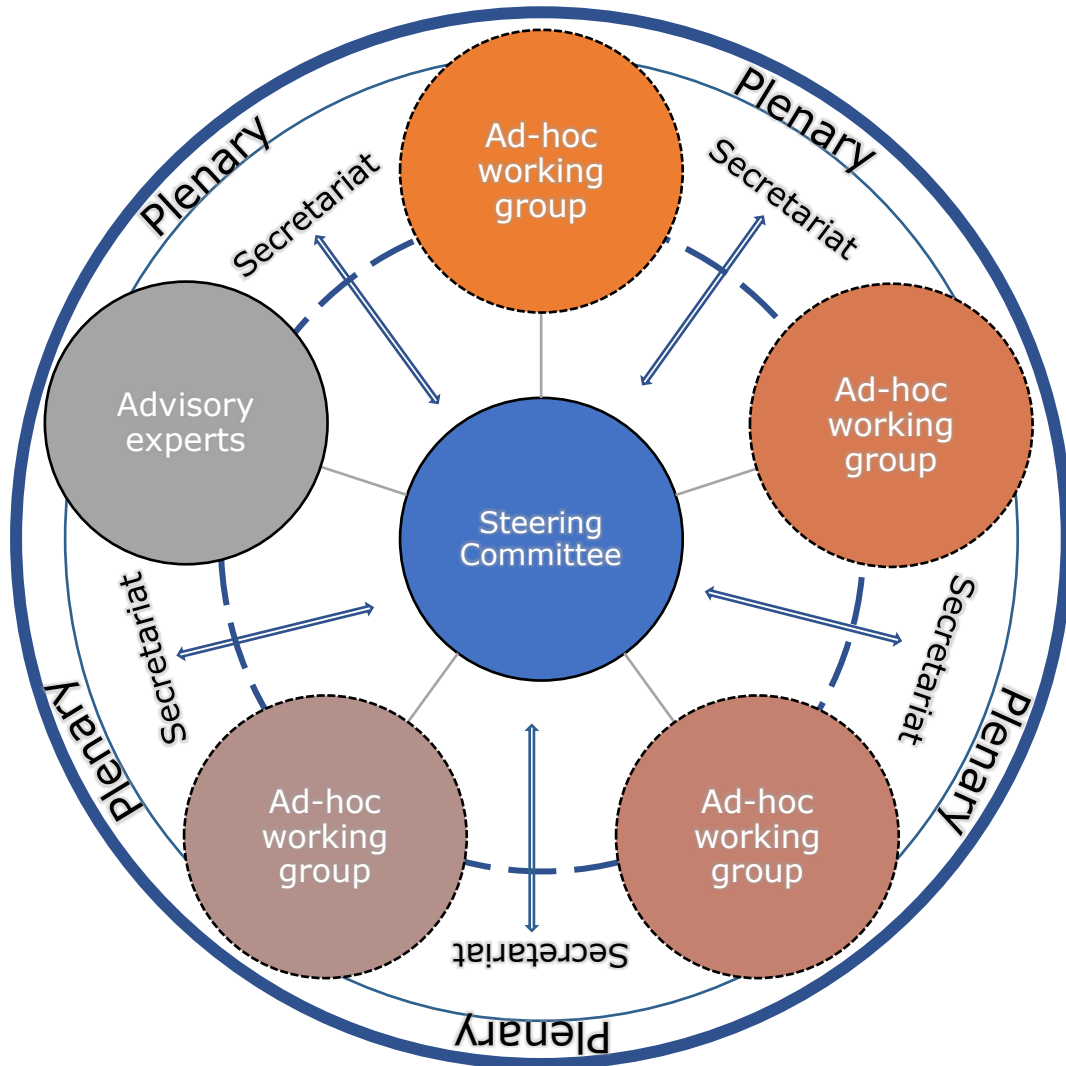
Mission and scope

To facilitate a common and coordinated approach to judicial training on cybercrime and electronic evidence and to strengthen professional networking of trainers

Functions

- Establishing and maintaining a pool of qualified (and possibly certified) trainers on cybercrime and electronic evidence;

- Providing guidance on national judicial training strategies in the countries represented in its constituency, streamlining the Budapest Convention on Cybercrime and related standards in the national curricula of judicial and prosecutors' training institutions;

- Supporting and integrating judicial training courses of the Council of Europe on cybercrime and electronic evidence;

- Facilitating networking opportunities and information sharing between members.

Initial membership:

- Judges, magistrates, prosecutors (and representatives from the law enforcement community) that have been formed as judicial trainers under the Council of Europe capacity building programmes on cybercrime and electronic evidence

- Judges, magistrates and prosecutors that are vetted by the national training institutions

- Representatives of judicial and prosecutors' training schools

- Judicial training experts vetted by the Council of Europe

All countries that are supported by the capacity building activities developed by Cybercrime Programme Office of the Council of Europe are invited to participate in the Network

2021 Plenary of the Network

- *Approved **terms of reference** and **governance model** of the Network*

- *Approved **2021 workplan** of the Network*

Participating countries in the Steering Committee

- ***19 participating countries***

- *First coordination call – April*

- *Second coordination call - October*

Trainers and countries
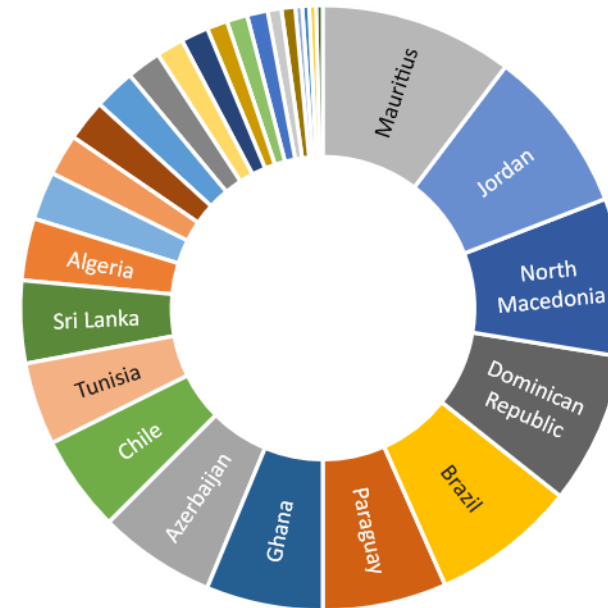

Participants and countries

- **6 workshops** – Feb to July

- **28 national trainers** from **13 countries**

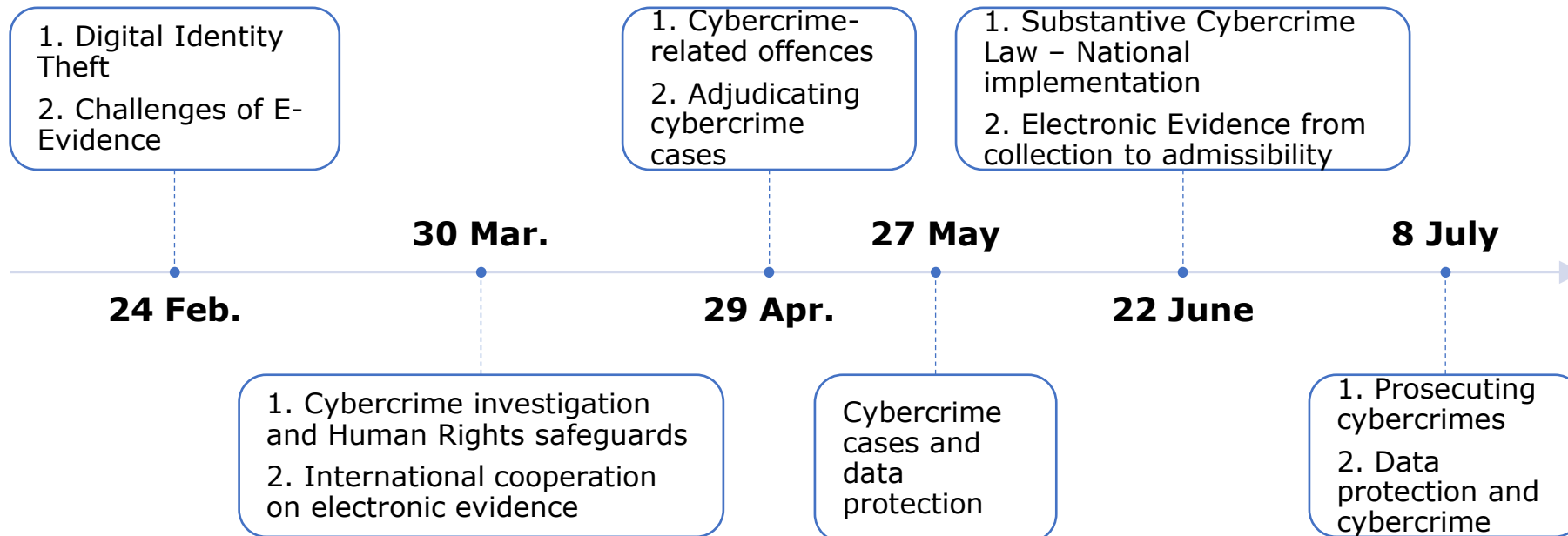- **11 overarching themes** on cybercrime and electronic evidence

- More than **270 participants** in all workshops from 28 countries

- Participation varying from **20+ to 70+ participants** per workshop

1. Digital Identity Theft

2. Challenges of E-Evidence

1. Cybercrime-related offences

2. Adjudicating cybercrime cases

1. Substantive Cybercrime Law – National implementation

2. Electronic Evidence from collection to admissibility

30 Mar.

27 May

8 July

24 Feb.

29 Apr.

22 June

1. Cybercrime investigation and Human Rights safeguards

2. International cooperation on electronic evidence

Cybercrime cases and data protection

1. Prosecuting cybercrimes

2. Data protection and cybercrime

International Network of the National Judicial Trainers

Series of Practitioners to practitioners workshops

February – July 2021 online

Communication and visibility

https://www.coe.int/en/web/cybercrime/international-network-judicial-trainers-p2p-workshops

Dedicated website for the practitioners-to-practitioners' workshops

Practitioners to practitioners' workshops

- 20 respondents from 12 countries expressed the interest to deliver P2P workshops

- Envisaged roll out Nov 2021 to June 2022

- First P2P workshop took place on 3rd Nov

  (*Handling, relevance and admissibility of electronic evidence in criminal cases*)

Nov – Dec 2021 – work of the Steering Committee

- Review the report on the result of the global survey on the judicial training state of play 2021
- Propose actions of interest to be included in the 2022 workplan of the Network
  - Set up working groups (on training strategies on cybercrime and e-evidence, on various studies [topics to be chosen]
  - Partnerships and collaborations

Nov 2021 – Jan 2022 – work of the Secretariat

- Draft the report on the result of the global survey on the judicial training state of play 2021
- Prepare the workplan to be submitted to the 2022 Plenary

Jan 2022 – Plenary of the Network

- Debate the proposed actions as proposed by the Steering Committee
- Approve 2022 workplan
- Identify synergies with other initiatives/networks

Thank you

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