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C-PROC 2014 - 2024

Cybercrime Programme Office of the Council of Europe Ten years of capacity building on cybercrime and electronic evidence



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10 years of C-PROC: Background

- Convention on Cybercrime November 2001 ► Some COE capacity building from November 2002 ► Specific projects from 2007
- February 2013: UN Expert Group on Cybercrime "broad agreement on capacity building", "diverse views" on other solutions
- COE response: set up a dedicated Cybercrime Programme Office
 - Offer by Government of Romania to host C-PROC in Bucharest (March 2013)
 - MoU signed in October 2013
 - Operational from April 2014
 - Task: Support countries worldwide to strengthen their criminal justice capacities on cybercrime and electronic evidence
- Currently 6 projects / EUR 34 million / ca. 40 staff







C-PROC (April 2014 – March 2024): 2100+ activities for 130+ countries

Types of activities

- domestic legislation on cybercrime and e-evidence, as well as data protection or online child sexual exploitation and sexual abuse;
- strategies and policies on cybercrime, including raising awareness among policy makers;
- law enforcement capacities, including through standard operating procedures, tools for the seizure of cryptocurrencies and others;
- mainstreaming judicial training on cybercrime and e-evidence;
- public/private co-operation, in particular between service providers and criminal justice authorities;
- co-operation between cybersecurity bodies (including computer emergency response teams) and criminal justice authorities;
- international co-operation, including by streamlining mutual assistance procedures, making available request templates and other tools, and enhancing 24/7 points of contact.



10 years of C-PROC: IMPACT

- Thousands of criminal justice practitioners trained + capacities for training
- Contribution to human rights and rule of law in cyberspace
- Legislation:
 - ▶ 2013: 70 States with offences in line with Budapest Convention
 - ▶ 2023: 130 States
- Partnerships, synergies, trusted cooperation
- Membership in Convention on Cybercrime:
 - ▶ By 2013: 53 states were parties (41) or had signed it (2) or been invited to accede (10)
 - ▶ By 2024: 93 states were parties (72), or had signed it (2) or been invited to accede (19)
- Successful investigations, prosecutions and international operations all over the world



C-PROC: priorities 2024+

- To support the implementation of the Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime through all projects
- To further strengthen capacities for the collection and use of e-evidence for the prosecution of war crimes and gross violations of human rights in Ukraine
- To assist countries in particular those already invited to accede to the Convention on Cybercrime – to meet their requirements and become parties
- To help criminal justice authorities address ransomware attacks and virtual currencies and to enhance their co-operation with bodies responsible for cybersecurity
- To support the strengthening of human rights and rule of law safeguards in project countries
- To promote further synergies of the Convention on Cybercrime and its Protocols with other organisations, initiatives and relevant Council of Europe instruments
- To launch the CYBOX online platform for training and exchange developed under the Octopus Project – in order to permit the scaling up of online training on cybercrime and e-evidence





C-PROC: projects 2024+

OCTOPUS Project	Jan 2021 – Dec 2027	EUR 10 million	Voluntary contributions (USA, UK, Japan, Canada, Hungary, Iceland, Italy) [funding not fully secured]
GLACY-e project on Global Action on Cybercrime Enhanced	Aug 2023 – Jan 2026	EUR 5.55 million	EU/CoE joint project (including Council of Europe 10% OB/JPP)
CyberUA project on strengthening capacities on electronic evidence of war crimes and gross human rights violations in Ukraine	Feb 2024 – July 2026	EUR 3.5 million	Voluntary contributions to the Ukraine Action Planand Ordinary Budget [funding not fully secured]
CyberEast+ on enhanced action on cybercrime for cyber resilience in Eastern Partnership States	Mar 2024 – Feb 2027	EUR 3.89 million	EU/CoE joint project (including Council of Europe 10% OB/JPP)
CyberSouth+ project on enhanced co-operation on cybercrime and electronic evidence in the Southern Neighbourhood Region	Jan 2024 – Dec 2026	EUR 3.89 million	EU/CoE joint project (including Council of Europe 10% OB/JPP)
CyberSEE project on enhanced action on cybercrime and electronic evidence in South-East Europe and Türkiye	Jan 2024 – Jun 2027	EUR 5.55 million	EU/CoE joint project (including Council of Europe 10% OB/JPP)
CyberSPEX project on enhanced co-operation on e- evidence by EU Member States through the Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime	Mar 2024 – Feb 2026	EUR 2.23 million	EU/CoE joint project (including Council of Europe 10% OB/JPP)



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Q & A / Discussion