DECISION No GB/2026/10

of

The Governing Board of the European Cybersecurity Industrial, Technology and Research Competence Centre on

The approval and inclusion of the Annex 1 to the Terms of Reference of the ECCC Governing Board Working Group 6 Cyber Hubs

THE GOVERNING BOARD,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2021/887[1] of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2021 establishing the European Cybersecurity Industrial, Technology and Research Competence Centre and the Network of National Co-ordination Centres (hereinafter "the Regulation"), and in particular Art13(3)(n) thereof,

WHEREAS:

1. Whereas the adoption of the individual working Group Annexes to the standard Terms of Reference for the Governing Board was approved by DECISION No GB/2024/11.

2. Future Working Groups may be added as Annexes to this Decision through the means of a Governing Board Decision.

3. A new Annex is to be added.

HAS DECIDED TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Article 1

Annex 1 to the Terms of Reference of the ECCC Governing Board Working Group 6 Cyber Hubs is hereby approved.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

[1] OJ L 202, 8.6.2021, p. 1–31

Done at Bucharest, on 15 July 2026.

For the European Cybersecurity
Industrial, Technology and Research
Competence Centre

(e-signed)

Pascal Steichen

Chairperson of the Governing Board

ANNEX 1 TO THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF

THE ECCC GOVERNING BOARD

WORKING GROUP 6 CYBER HUBS

Article 1

Subject matter

1. The WG shall advise the Governing Board on matters related to Cyber Hubs, in line with the Regulation (EU) 2021/887 establishing the ECCC[2] and according to the tasks assigned to the ECCC through the Regulation (EU) 2025/38 (Cyber Solidarity Act)[3], specifically Articles 5, 9, and 19 thereof, as well as Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2021/694 establishing the Digital Europe Programme[4], under which the network of Cyber Hubs is implemented.

   To this end, it shall support the ECCC and the Network of National Coordination Centres in fulfilling their mission laid down in Article 3 of the Regulation (EU) 2021/887 and in implementing the tasks laid down in Article 5(2)(b)(6) or 5(3)(e) of Regulation (EU) 2021/887, exclusively within the scope established in the Terms of Reference of the ECCC Working Groups and within the mandate and field of competence reserved to the ECCC, in relation to National Cyber Hubs/Cross-Border Cyber Hubs, by the legislation referred to in this Article 1.

   To fulfil this mission, the ECCC adopted the Strategic Agenda[5], establishing priorities for the work of the ECCC, also related to processes and tools for managing cybersecurity information and risk management or promoting collaboration and information sharing.

2. Furthermore, the Cyber Solidarity Act[6] envisages, as part of the European Cybersecurity Alert System, the establishment of a pan-European network of Cyber Hubs. Member States intending to participate in the European Cybersecurity Alert System shall be selected by the ECCC to take part in a joint procurement of tools, infrastructures and services with the ECCC, in order to set up or enhance National Cyber Hubs/Cross-Border Cyber Hubs. The ECCC has a further role in preparing a mapping of the tools, infrastructures and services necessary to establish or enhance National and Cross-Border Cyber Hubs.

Article 2

Objectives and tasks

1. The objectives of the WG shall be to:

   a) Foster Collaboration: WG members shall find manners to collaborate with each other on the topics in Article 1 either through events, joint actions, sharing best practices or other similar collaboration efforts (trainings, conferences etc.);
   b) Provide suggestions for implementation by the ECCC of relevant tasks related to setting-up or enhancing National Cyber Hubs/Cross-Border Cyber Hubs in line with the Regulation, stemming from the ECCC Strategic Agenda, or from the Cyber Solidarity Act;

[2] Regulation - 2021/887 - EN - EUR-Lex
[3] Regulation - 2025/38 - EN - EUR-Lex
[4] Regulation - 2021/694 - EN - EUR-Lex
[5] 20230224 - ECCC Strategic Agenda (europa.eu)
[6] Regulation - EU - 2025/38 - EN - EUR-Lex

c) Define the scope for and provide support to the implementation of ECCC tasks resulting from the Cyber Solidarity Act, through activities such as supporting the ECCC in the mapping of tools, infrastructure and services for Cyber Hubs in context of the Digital Europe Programme, planned as a recurrent exercise every 2 years;
d) Support the implementation of relevant actions from the ECCC Strategic Agenda:
   - 1.1.2 Support awareness raising and subsequent adoption in organisational vulnerability management and development of Coordinated Vulnerability Disclosure (CVD) initiatives looking to remediate vulnerabilities;
   - 3.4.2 Promote the creation and capacity building of Information Sharing and Analysis Centre (ISAC) style cooperation initiatives in cross-border, cross-sectoral, cross-community (including with law enforcement and cyber defence) and multi-lingual contexts, using standardised taxonomies and/or ontologies and comparable maturity indicators;
e) Exchange views and build knowledge on topics relevant to National and Cross-Border Cyber Hubs / SOCs, including on procedures related to grant implementation and joint procurement.

2. The WG activities shall be defined in a related WG Work Plan to support the WG in achieving its objectives, based on key tasks, milestones, deliverables and associated timeframes. The WP shall contain measurable and clear success measures for each of the task of the Working group.
3. The WG shall work closely with relevant actors and EU entities and networks to avoid duplications and foster synergies.
4. Specifically, the WG shall be encouraged to work closely with other ECCC WGs on topics of mutual interest.