European Cybersecurity Competence Centre (ECCC)

Minutes

of the ECCC Governing Board meeting

held on 23-24 June 2022 in hybrid mode (both in Bucharest and remotely)

The third official meeting of the ECCC Governing Board (GB) took place on 23 and 24 June 2022. A majority of members or their alternates (in some cases both) were present in Bucharest, as well as ENISA and the European Commission, and a few others joined the meeting remotely. Some observers also participated.

The Romanian Prime Minister opened the meeting, highlighting its importance within the broader geopolitical context and encouraging Member States to activate their best cybersecurity capabilities via the National Coordination Centres and increase synergies and the level of funding in the activities of the ECCC.

The GB adopted guidelines on the assessment and registration of cybersecurity competence community members, as prepared by one of the Working Groups (WGs). The three other WGs (on NCCs reference manual, NCCs network operations, and strategic Agenda) reported on their progress. A vivid discussion on cross-border SOC platforms and the relevant draft Call for Expression of Interest took place, highlighting the ambitious character of the proposed timeline and indicating broad consensus that improving cyber threat detection and sharing is a priority for the EU and for the ECCC.

The GB also adopted a set of more administrative decisions, including human-resources implementing rules, a decision on public access to documents, a preparatory decision regarding conflict of interest rules for the staff members, as well as an amendment to the GB Rules of Procedure. The Interim Executive Director reported on the implementation status of the ECCC establishment and other related activities, notably regarding NCCs, ongoing recruitment procedures, DEP calls and budget, and financial autonomy criteria, whereas for the building an update was presented by the Head of the Romanian Chancellery.

Finally, an intervention was made by the deputy Chairman of Ukraine's State Service of Special Communication and Information Protection, who pleaded for stronger cooperation with the EU on cyber issues, especially with the ECCC.