

PRESS RELEASE

European Cyber Security Organisation founded

TeleTrusT - IT Security Association Germany in Board of Directors

Contract partner of the European Commission for Public-Private Partnership

Berlin, June 15, 2016 - With effect from June 14, 2016 a new European Cyber Security Organisation (ECSO) was founded in Brussels. The establishment was carried out under Belgian law as non-profit association (ASBL - Association Sans But Lucratif). As German founding member, TeleTrusT - IT Security Association Germany is cosignatory and also represented in the Board of Directors. The new organisation will act as contract partner of the European Commission for Public-Private Partnership's agreements on Cyber Security.

The objectives of the new European Cyber Security Organisation are:

- to support all types of initiatives or projects that aim to develop, promote, encourage European cyber security
- to collaborate with the European Commission in order to establish a European Cyber Security (ECS) contractual Public-Private Partnership (cPPP) which will support and promote Research and Innovation in cyber security
- to support the development of the European cyber security market and the security of the Information and Communication Technologies
- to propose priorities for development of European cyber security solutions and services and support their implementation within the H2020 program (and beyond)
- to take into account the demand side and the constraints from public administrations
- to propose, in cooperation with the Commission, a Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda and a Multiannual Roadmap
- to monitor their implementation and the progression of the cPPP objectives, joining the European Commission in the cPPP Partnership Board
- to foster competitiveness and growth of the European cyber security industry (large companies and SME) as well as end users/operators through innovative cyber security technologies, applications, services, solutions
- to promote and assist the definition and implementation of elements of a European cyber security industrial policy and promoting the use of European cyber security solutions and secure and trustworthy European ICT solutions and services for the development of a secure and trusted European Digital Single Market
- to support the development and the interests of the whole cyber security and ICT security ecosystem, including education, training awareness, etc.
- to support the widest and best market uptake of European innovative cyber security technologies and services for professional and private use
- to foster market development and investments, among other in demonstration projects and pilots to facilitate bringing innovation to cyber security market.

In January 20, 2016 a preparation workshop for the "Contractual Public-Private Partnership" between the European Commission and the European Cyber Security Industry with the participation of TeleTrusT took place in Brussels. The workshop aimed at exchanging information between the Commission, member states and the Cyber Security Industry as well as bringing together different stakeholders. As the result of the workshop several working groups of industry representatives were formed. The European Commission has now opened the Approval Procedure for the "cPPP on Cyber Security". The ceremonial signing is scheduled for July 5, 2016 in Strasbourg in the presence of the European Commissioner Oettinger and the European Commission Vice President Ansip.

TeleTrusT - IT Security Association Germany

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