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POLICY

Cyber Security strategy and Proposal for a Directive

On the 7th of February 2013, the EU announced the launch of an EU Cyber security plan to protect the open internet and online freedom and opportunity.

The Cyber security strategy and the Proposal for a Directive come as a much needed action in the borderless and multi-layered internet sector.

For more information on this topic or to access relevant documents follow this link:

<http://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/en/news/eu-cybersecurity-plan-protect-open-internet-and-online-freedom-and-opportunity-cyber-security>

PSCE Response to the “Improving NIS in the EU” Questionnaire is available here:

http://www.psc-europe.eu/fileadmin/files/docs/Events/2012/Network_and_Information_Security_-_PSCE_Response.pdf

ENISA publishes report on cloud computing

On February 14, 2013, European Network and Information Security Agency (ENISA) published a report entitled “*Critical Cloud Computing: A CIIP perspective on cloud computing services*”.

The full version of the report is available here:

<http://www.enisa.europa.eu/activities/Resilience-and-CIIP/cloud-computing/critical-cloud-computing>

European Cybercrime Centre officially launched

On the 11th of January 2013 the European Cybercrime Centre (EC3) was officially launched at the European Police Office centre Europol in the Hague (Netherlands).

More information is available here:

http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-13-13_en.htm?locale=en

Resilient Threat Management 2013 Conference

On 4 to 6 March 2013, European Defence Agency (EDA) and the Irish Presidency of the Council of the European Union will organise the Resilient Threat Management 2013 Conference. Taking place in Brussels, the event will take stock of EDA’s efforts so far while looking forward at what is needed to ensure a high level of preparedness for countering threats in the future, at home and on deployed operations.

More information is available here:

<http://www.eda.europa.eu/info-hub/news/2013/02/07/resilient-threat-management-2013-registration-is-open!>

Shaping the European Standardisation Roadmap: Workshop on Crisis Management and Civil Protection

The European Commission, pursuing the increase of the global competitiveness of EU security industry while enhancing the security of Europe, has requested the European Standardisation Organisations (ESOs) to draft three European standardisation roadmaps in the security sector under action 1 in their Communication on Security Industrial Policy.

For more information, follow this link:

<http://www.nen.nl/web/Evenementen/Evenementenkalender/Shaping-the-European-Standardisation-Roadmap-of-Crisis-Management-and-Civil-Protection-Workshop-M487.htm>

PSCE ACTIVITIES

PSCE and Social Media

PSCE has recently launched its Facebook and Twitter accounts.

After considering PSCE social media presence in July last year, PSCE has become more proactive in utilizing social media channels to engage with PSCE members, share ideas and updates in the world of Public Safety Communications. PSCE began by populating its Facebook page as a place for members and contacts to share conference photos, videos, and interesting news clips. In addition to a facebook page,

the twitter feed @psc_e was launched as well.

PSCE facebook page is available here:

<http://www.facebook.com/#!/PSCEForum>

PSCE twitter page is available here:

https://twitter.com/psc_e

Workshop with user communities: Spectrum for governmental services

On the 1st of March 2013, PSCE will participate to the workshop on "Spectrum for governmental services" hosted by DG CONNECT of the European Commission.

The workshop will be conducted by Analysys Mason, which is carrying out the study "*Analysis of technology trends, future needs and demand for spectrum in line with Art.9 of the RSPP*" on behalf of the European Commission. The study covers the frequency range between 400 MHz and 6 GHz and aims to provide an informed view of future needs and demand for spectrum over the next ten years.

For more information, please contact

cnect-B4-ext@ec.europa.eu.

CRISMA Updates

The first end-users workshop

The first CRISMA end-user workshop will be held on 30 May 2013 in Brussels, Belgium.

Organised in conjunction with the Public Safety Communications Europe (PSCE) conference, which is taking place during the previous two days, the workshop will bring together delegates from national authorities, research institutes and companies including IT specialists.

CRISMA (Modelling Crisis Management for Improved Action and Preparedness) project would like to invite crisis management stakeholders, especially members of the end-user community, to come and learn about the project's benefits and provide feedback on the effectiveness of the technology and other aspects. The meeting showcasing the CRISMA System will take place at the International Association Centre (Maison des Associations Internationales, MAI), Rue Washington 40, 1050 Brussels, from 09:00 till 15:00.

More information regarding the programme, accommodation and registration is available here:

<http://www.psc-europe.eu/index.php?id=405>.

Database of stakeholders

PSCE has recently finalised the first version of the "*CRISMA Who is Who (enriched database)*". The main objective of this deliverable is to build a wide network of relevant key stakeholders in the field of Crisis Management which would then be included in an expert database in order to provide contacts necessary to disseminate the results of the CRISMA project. This will be important for the success of the Training sessions and the Business Day.

More information about CRISMA is available at:

www.crismaproject.eu

PSCE to participate in public consultation on the Union's humanitarian aid

The European Commission has recently launched a public consultation targeting the issue of Humanitarian Aid.

To access the questionnaire follow this link:

<http://ec.europa.eu/yourvoice/ipm/forms/dispatch?form=fitforpurpose>

PSCE issued the second position paper on Horizon 2020

PSCE is actively following the preparation of the new EU financial instrument for RTD, Horizon 2020.

On the 13 of July 2012, PSCE expressed its views on some key issues and responded as well on the 14 of September 2012 to the Survey on possible research needs in Horizon 2020.

During its last conference in Rome held on the 28-29 of November, PSCE had organised a debate among the three communities of its constituency (Users, Researchers, Industry) in order to reflect on the experiences and needs to be covered under the Horizon 2020 Strategic Program. The following conclusions regarding horizontal issues and thematic priorities were approved unanimously and issued on December 5, 2012.

For more information, please contact secretariat@psc-europe.eu.

Next PSCE Conference

The next PSCE Conference will be held on 28-29 May 2013 in Brussels, Belgium. This time, the event will feature the following 5 thematic highlights:

- 1) EU civil protection mechanism
- 2) E-Call: state of Play
- 3) EU Radio Spectrum Policy
- 4) Horizon 2020
- 5) Crisis Modelling

The conference will take place at the International Association Centre (Maison des Associations Internationales, MAI), Rue Washington 40, 1050 Brussels, Belgium.

Participants are advised to book individually and directly their hotel room at one of the following hotels in the meeting area vicinity where prior bookings have been made for this special event.

- 1) HOTEL CAPITAL BRUSSELS, a 3 star hotel (EUR 85,-Single / EUR 95,- Double)
- 2) NH BRUSSELS CITY CENTRE, a 4 star deluxe hotel (EUR 155,- Single / EUR 175,- Double)

The deadline for room reservation for the Hotel Capital Brussels is 30/04/2013 and for the NH Brussels City Centre it is 27/04/2013. After these dates, hotels will release the rooms and further bookings will be possible upon availabilities.

More information about registration, programme and accommodation is available at:

<http://www.psc-europe.eu/index.php?id=405>

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