

# ENHANCING CYBER SECURITY GOVERNANCE IN THE WESTERN BALKANS

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# DCAF at a glance

Geneva Center for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF)

- •Intl foundation with 62 member states (governments), est.in 2000
- 200 staff over 30 nationalities
- Growing network of permanent or project offices (Ljubljana, Belgrade, Skopje)
- Operational in more than 70 countries
- DCAF is internationally recognized as a leading world centre of excellence for SSG and SSR, working with UN, OSCE, EU, national governments and intl. organisations



# DCAF's work in cybersecurity

- 2009-2011- policy research, Horizon 2015 series
- 2011-2018- awareness raising: YFN, BSF, ad-hoc event in parliaments
- 2014-2018- Public private partnerships in CS ("Petnica group"), support to MUP CERT, national cybersecurity assessment in Montenegro, TTX in Serbia (2) and Montenegro
- 2018- Enhancing cybersecurity in the WB, UK FCO funded



- July 2018-March 2021
- UK funded, FCO cyber fund, app1million GBP
- 3 pillars
- Links with other assistance programs (multilateral and bilateral)
- UK expertise/institutions

# Enhancing Cybersecurity Governance in the Western Balkans Logic Model

### **Activity lines**

Activity line 1: Raising the awareness of senior decision makers on key cyber security policy steps to take

Activity line 2: Facilitating the exposure of Montenegrin and Serbian governmental cybersecurity actors to international best practices and providing networking opportunities in Europe

Activity line 3: Fostering exchanges between key cyber security actors in the Western Balkan region

Activity line 4: Developing the capacity, including through peer-learning, for staff at key Montenegrin and Serbian (and tolesser extent: MKD, BiH and KOS) cyber security actors on specific professional skills

Activity line 5: Developing policies and guidance for the institutional development of governmental cyber security actors

#### Outputs

Output 1:Key senior Western Balkan decision makers have the

knowledge to assess cybersecurity

challenges in their countries (and

the need for regional and

international cooperation) and have elements for formulating policy

responses in an accountable and

effective way

#### Immediate outcome

Output 2: Four key governmental CERTS in Montenegro and Serbia have organisational tools (procedures, development plans, equipment) that they need for the full functioning as a CERT; their staff have improved skills in dealing with security incidents and have increased their professional network

Output 3: Staff at CERTs from Western Balkan countries have improved skills in dealing with security incidents, have increased mutual trust and develop models for cooperation Outcome 1: Western Balkan decision-makers develop policies for more effective and accountable cybersecurity and increased regional cooperation

Outcome 2: Montenegrin and Serbian national CERTs better prevent and react to attacks of national systems.

Outcome 3: Western Balkan ERTs increase effectiveness an regional and international exchanges. Intermediat e outcome

governance in
Western Balkan
countries is more
accountable and
effective and helps
strengthen
security in Europe.

Long term goal
Efficient provision
of security for all in
the framework of
democratic
governance, rule
of law and respect
for human rights



## Upcoming activities (up to March 2019):

- TRANSITS II support
- Capacity development plan-SRB CERT
- Training Serbian CERTs
- National RTs-Serbia, Montenegro, BiH, Macedonia(TBC)
- Capacity development plan CSIRT.ME



## DCAF will sponsor 2 participants from each WB country



#### JOIN US

Target Technical Staff of CSIRTs [National]

2 Days training by FIRST on Malware Analysis

1 Day Conference

2 Days Cyber attacks simulation team exercises

A joint ITU-DECAF-RCC side meeting for Western Balkan experts

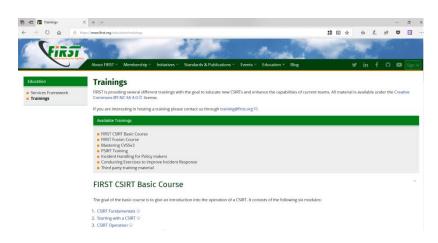


Registration and Agenda at https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Regional-Presence/Europe/Pages/Events/2018/CYBDRILL/ITU-ALERT-Cyber-drill.aspx



Upcoming activities (up to March 2019):

- TRANSITS I for WB (Podgorica)
- Regional technical training (FIRST, Skopje, TBC)
  - https://www.first.org/education/trainings
  - Training focus?





## In the pipeline

- Technical colloquium with FIRST + study visit to Slovenia (TBC, with CEP SLO and SI CERT)
- Continued TRANSITS II support
- Support for attending intl. drills (ITU, Cyber Alliance...)
- Joint regional trainings
- Support for political dialogue (regional+national)
  - National RTs in 4 countries
  - Regional meetings (June 2019, RACVIAC, Parliaments)



Thank you!

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