





BRUSSELS CYBERSECURITY SUMMIT

On the future of cybersecurity

18-19 JANUARY 2024, BRUSSELS

The Square – Brussels Convention Centre

Mont des Arts/Kunstberg 16-9, B-1000 Brussels









Event summary

Cybersecurity has become a major political priority on an EU level. During the current and previous EU legislatures, we have faced a steeply increased cyberthreat, but we equally witnessed a surge in EU initiatives and legislation. What will and should the next five years bring?

The Belgian Presidency of the Council of the EU comes at an opportune moment to take stock of major dynamics and to reflect on the future.

This summit will bring together some 500 key European policy makers and global experts in cybersecurity strategy, coordination and capacity building, investment and cyber threat intelligence. While the event will be held in Brussels, the main stage will be live streamed, facilitating broad access. The event aims to foster connections among participants, share ideas, draw upon national experiences, distill practical lessons of the past and leverage insights from the latest research. Through this grassroots analysis, tangible pathways for progress can be identified for cybersecurity practitioners as well as for policy makers, including those in the upcoming Commission and Parliament.

The summit aspires to be an interactive bridge-builder that drives European cybersecurity forward, promotes new concepts such as Active Cyber Protection, and pushes the EU to cross 'the last mile' to make Europe more cybersecure.

Practical information



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With closing remarks by Alexander De Croo, Belgian Prime Minister.

First confirmed speakers are:

- Anna Chung, Principal Researcher Palo Alto Networks
- Arnaud de Vibraye, Junior Manager for Skills and Human Factors, European Cyber Security Organisation (ECSO)
- Bart Groothuis, Member of the European Parliament
- Chris Debyser, CEO, CONXION
- Clar Rosso, CEO, ISC2
- Clara Grillet, Cyber Threat Analyst, Centre for Cybersecurity Belgium (CCB)
- Claudia Plattner, President of the German Federal Office for Information Security (BSI)
- Constin Raiu, Independent Expert
- Dan Cîmpean, Head of the Directuratul National de Securitate Cibernetica (DNSC),
 Romania
- Daniel Gillblad, Chief of Al of Recorded Future
- Dhia Mahjoub, Independent Researcher
- Dominique De Cooman, founder and co-CEO, DROPSOLID
- Ellen Stassart, Head of the NCC-BE, Centre for Cybersecurity Belgium (CCB)
- Emmanuel Naëgelen, Deputy Director General ANSSI
- Francesco Barbato, Head of Sector in Directorate General for Communications Networks Content and Technology (DG CONNECT), European Commission
- Freddy Dezeure, Independent Expert
- Hanane Taidi, Director General TIC Council
- Iva Tasheva, Cybersecurity Lead CYEN, BE CS Coalition
- Jan Kerkhofs, Federal Magistrate at the Belgian Federal Prosecutor's Office
- Jean-Luc Peeters, Head of CERT.be, Centre for Cybersecurity Belgium (CCB)
- Joanna Świątkowska, COO, European Cyber Security Organisation (ECSO)
- Johan Klykens, Director of the NCCA Belgium, Centre for Cybersecurity Belgium (CCB)
- John Fokker, Principal Engineer, Trellix
- Jörg Caenen, Deputy Lead of the Threat Research Centre of CyTRIS at the Centre for Cybersecurity Belgium (CCB)
- Juan Andés Guerrero-Saade, AVP Research for SentinelLabs
- Kai Rannenberg, Professor at Goethe University Frankfurt and Coordinator of CyberSecPro
- Kaspar Johannes Clos, Responsible Disclosure and CSIRT Collaboration Expert, ENISA
- Katarzyna Prusak-Górniak, Head of Digital Affairs Unit in Permanent Representation of Poland to the EU and Deputy Chairperson of the ECCC Governing Board
- Kevin Holvoet, Lead of the Threat Research Centre of CyTRIS at the Centre for Cybersecurity Belgium (CCB)
- Kristopher Russo, Senior Threat Researcher, Unit 42
- Lauri Tankler, Head of NCC Estland and Chair of the NCC Network
- Lino Santos, Head, National Cybersecurity Centre (CNCS), Portugal
- Lorena Boix Alonso, Director for Digital Society, Trust and Cybersecurity in Directorate General for Communications Networks Content and Technology (DG CONNECT), European Commission
- Luc Hellebooge, Head of Business Development, VECTOR SYNERGY Ltd.







- Luca Tagliaretti, Executive Director, European Cybersecurity Competence Centre (ECCC)
- Manon Le Blanc, Head of Cyber Policy, Security and Defence Division (EEAS)
- Maarten Weyn, Professor and Vice-Dean Research of the Faculty of Applied Engineering, University of Antwerp
- Martynas Barysas, Director for the Internal Market, BusinessEurope
- Mathieu Verschraege, Digital Learning Coordinator, Founder Mediavista
- Matthias Heck, Head of Division TK 25 "assessment procedures and technical support of digital consumer protection in AI", BSI
- Miguel De Bruycker, Managing Director General of the Centre for Cybersecurity Belgium (CCB)
- Morton Swimmer, Senior Threat Researcher, Trend Micro
- Nik Du Bois, Cybersecurity Expert, CERT.be, Centre for Cybersecurity Belgium (CCB)
- Otmar Lendl, AT CSIRT
- Paolo Balboni, Professor of Privacy, Cybersecurity, and IT Contract Law at ECPC, Maastricht University Faculty of Law & Founding Partner of ICT Legal Consulting and ICT Cyber Consulting
- Paul Vixie, Deputy CISO AWS
- Pedro Deryckere, Head of CyTRIS (Cyber Threat Research and Intelligence Sharing) at the Centre for Cybersecurity Belgium (CCB)
- Remy Knecht, CISO itsme
- Rick Verhagen, A.I. Cybersecurity specialist, Darktrace
- Ruben Santamarta, Security Researcher, Freelancer
- Saâd Kadhi, Head of CERT-EU
- Saskia Van Uffelen, Digital Manager, Agoria
- Staffan Truvé, CTO / co-Founder Recorded Future
- Stefan Tanase, Cyber Intelligence Expert, CSIS Security Group
- Szilvia Tóth, Cyber Security Officer, Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe
- Tanel Sepp, Ambassador at Large for Cyber Diplomacy at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Estonia
- Vicente Diaz, Threat Intelligence Strategist, Virus Total
- Vincent Defrenne, Director Cyber Strategy & Architecture, NVISO
- Wouter Joosen, Professor, KU Leuven





PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

DAY ONE Thursday 18 January 2024					
08h30- 09h00	Registration and welcome coffee				
09h00- 09h30	High level welcome and scene setter - Miguel De Bruycker, Managing Director General of the Centre for Cybersecurity Belgium (CCB)				
09h30- 10h30	Keynotes: What's at (cyber)stake? The cyberthreat landscape of the present and the future. A string of high-level keynotes, by expert analysts in the field, will outline the major and concrete cyberthreats for the EU, including its key evolutions in the past and upcoming years. This will set the stage for the summit's discussions.				
10h30- 11h00	Coffee break Side events & networking opportunities				
11h00- 11h45	Strategic track Geopolitics and cybersecurity: how they shake each other?	Cyber Coordination & Competence track Cyber Resilience Unveiled: Insights, Lessons Learned, and Collaborations	CTI track Cyber Threat Intelligence Unveiled		
11h55- 12h45	Strategic track Collaboration & task division in cyber. Who does what for whom? Good governance in a complexified ecosystem	Cyber Coordination & Competence track Turning lesson learned into impact: from real-world cases to investment strategies			
12h45- 14h00	Lunch Side events & networking opportunities				
14h00- 14h45	Strategic, tech & competence track How do we win the race? Vulnerabilities & Active Cyber Protection		CTI track Mastering CTI: A Knowledge-rich Journey Through the Best Practices		
14h50- 15h35	Strategic track Cybercrime & cybersecurity: the missing link?	Competence & Strategic track Cyber, digital and the world. What's the EU's (investment) posture in a changing environment?			
15h35- 16h00	Coffee break Side events & networking opportunities				
16h00- 17h00	Plenary: Free, open and secure internet – Digital identity as silver bullet? Could a more secure internet protect its free- and openness, or would this unavoidably lead to surveillance? Speakers will discuss the threats and opportunities that digital identity solutions could offer for the future of cybersecurity, and what it means for the EU's global posture.				
17h00- onwards	Social event				





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DAY TWO Friday 19 January 2024					
08h30- 09h00	Registration and welcome coffee				
09h00- 10h00	Plenary: Emerging technology: hype or salvation? New technologies such as AI and Quantum make big promises, but equally raise sceptic eyebrows — in and outside the cybersecurity domain. This point/counterpoint debate will sift through distant (hollow?) threats vs current junctures of new tech for cyber.				
10h00- 10h30	Coffee break Side events & networking opportunities				
10h30- 11h15	Strategic track No Regulation without implementation? Efficient & harmonized application of new rules.	Cyber Coordination & Competence track Cybersecurity skills in the future: will AI bridge the gap or will training take the lead?	CTI track Cyber Threat Horizons: What's Next?		
11h20- 12h05	Strategic, tech & competence track Strategic agenda for investment 2024-2030: recalibrate to new realities or implement first?				
12h15- 13h00	Final plenary – Stock-taking: the EU cybersecurity strategy 2020-2024 vs 2024-2028. What happened and what needs to change? The Summit will conclude by asking decision makers to address the conclusions of this Summit's debates, and discuss the future of EU Cybersecurity strategy beyond the current legislature. The outcomes of the interactive past days will feed questions and identify ways forward.				
13h00- 13h15	Closing remarks by Alexander De Croo, Belgian Prime Minister				
13h15- 14h30	Closing Lunch & DEP Calls presented by the European Commission, followed by matchmaking opportunity				