



Webinar - EU policy on Cybersecurity and implications for the EDIH network

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Cybersecurity is a core element of the digital strategy of the European Union. There are several ongoing initiatives which will directly impact the network of European Digital Innovation Hubs and their customers (companies and public sector organisations).

This webinar is meant to provide an introduction to the legislative, standardisation and organisation aspects, including the role of the National Coordination Centres (NCCs) and of the European Cybersecurity Competence Centre (ECCC) (see https://cybersecurity-centre.europa.eu/nccs_en). The Cyber Resilience Act proposal will be discussed (<https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/cyber-resilience-act>) including the implications for SMEs.

The event is open to representatives of the EDIH and the ECCC networks.

Objectives

- Provide information on the Cyber Resilience Act (CRA) proposal and the main building blocks for preparing its implementation, in particular as regards the need to support SMEs.
- Discuss with EDIH and National Coordination Centres (NCCs) network to understand their workings and the extent to which they could contribute to supporting CRA implementation.
- Present funding opportunities of relevance for CRA implementation which are currently being launched:
 - Support for implementation of EU legislation on cybersecurity and national cybersecurity strategies; DIGITAL-ECCC-2023-DEPLOY-CYBER-04-EULEGISLATION
 - Standardisation in the area of Cybersecurity; DIGITAL-ECCC-2023-DEPLOY-CYBER-04-STANDARDISATION
 - Other relevant calls
- Identify priority topics and needs for micro and small enterprises, which could be explored in more detail at possible follow up events

Audience

EDIH providing Cybersecurity services to their customer and the ECCC networks.

Draft programme

Timeslot	Programme's Item
10:00	Opening, roll-call of delegates and presentation of the objectives (10 min)
10:10	Introduction of EDIH (A4)
10:30	Presentation of various actors implementing EU Cybersecurity policy: ECCC, NCCs and The European Cybersecurity Community Support (ECCO) project
11:00	CRA presentation with emphasis on consequences for SMEs
11:30	Q&A - Discussion
11:45	Digital Europe Programme's Cybersecurity EU Legislation and Standardisation calls presentations
12:15	Q&A
12:30	Closure of the event

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Background

Brief description of EDIHs

With the EDIH network the European Commission wants to build a vibrant community of hubs and other stakeholders fostering networking, co-operation, and knowledge transfer activities between EDIH, SME and mid-caps, the public sector and the other relevant stakeholders and initiatives.

EDIHs support companies to improve business/production processes, products, or services using digital technologies by:

- providing access to technical expertise and testing, as well as the possibility to 'test before invest'
- providing innovation services, such as financing advice, training, and skills development that are central to successful digital transformation
- helping companies tackle environmental issues, in particular the use of digital technologies for sustainability and circularity.

More than 150 EDIHs have indicated their interest in cybersecurity, thus they form a substantial constituency to help European SMEs to align their work with CRA requirements