

## Coming up: European Cyber Security Challenge 2018 in London, UK!

Organised by ENISA and hosted by the Cyber Challenge UK, the 2018 edition of the European Cyber Security Challenge (ECSC2018) will take place from 15 to 17 October 2018 at the Tobacco Dock in London, United Kingdom.

During this year's edition, national teams of 17 participating countries will compete in London. France and Poland are participating for the first time in ECSC. For the second time in a row, the Czech Republic will also take part in the ECSC. The national team of six high school students and four undergraduates was selected within the framework of the national cyber security competition that took place in the school year 2017/2018.

ECSC2018 participants will need to demonstrate high technical skills and soft skills in order to win the competition. Teamwork and public speaking skills will also be needed to solve complex and diverse cyber challenges involving web, mobile and network security.

Steve Purser, ENISA Head of Core Operations Department, said: "I'm happy to see two new countries joining our initiative. The challenge has been a key enabler for enhanced digital security awareness. Europe is lacking people with strong cybersecurity skills; not only do we not have enough people with experience in implementing security in the real world, we also do not have enough people with an adequate knowledge of security techniques. That is why we encourage young people to pursue a career in cybersecurity. I take this opportunity to wish all participants good luck. May the best cyber-talent win!"

The cyber competition runs in parallel with a job fair, which will provide the young participants with career opportunities at industry-leading organisations.

ENISA will have a bandstand at the venue, outside the main competition area, where visitors can meet and interact with the participants. ENISA specialists will also be there to answer questions and share their knowledge with all interested.

The ECSC2018 is an initiative of multiple European countries, supported and facilitated by ENISA, which aims at engaging cybersecurity talent across Europe and connecting the cybersecurity industry actors with high potential young talent.

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