



## EUCPN Newsletter November 2017

This Newsletter is a platform for policymakers, practitioners and everyone who is interested in crime prevention. We are interested in your news, research, good practices and experiences on crime prevention in the Member States and in Europe. Please send your documents in English accompanied by an abstract of 100-150 words to [eucpn@bz.eu](mailto:eucpn@bz.eu).

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### Editorial

Dear Reader

On behalf of the Estonian Presidency of EUCPN, I welcome you to the second issue of the EUCPN Newsletter under our time of chairing EUCPN.

The Estonian Presidency of the Council of the European Union in September and cyber safety to be the priority for the Presidency. In the last few months important agreements have been made and big steps for the future taken in the European Union in this area. One essential milestone is the EU Cyber Security Strategy which was launched in September and in relation to which the EU Cybersecurity Conference: [Digital Single Market, Common Digital Security 2017](#) was held. Some weeks later the Estonian Presidency held one of the main high level meetings of the Presidency, [Tallinn Digital Summit](#) where the heads of EU institutions and Member States discussed on further plans for digital innovation with the aim of keeping Europe ahead of the technological curve while being a digital leader, globally, in the years to come.

For EUCPN glamour is about to come. Estonia has the honour to organize the exchange of crime prevention best practices around the EU under the auspice of the European Crime Prevention Award (ECPA). The ECPA reaches the important milestone of the 20th anniversary in 2017 and this year there are 18 projects in competition for the Award, introducing number of relevant practices from Europe preventing and fighting against cyber crime.

The Best Practice conference with special opening lecture by professor Alesdair Gillespie from Lancaster University is held at KUMU Art Museum Auditorium in Tallinn on 13-15 December 2017. The Gala event for the Awards takes place at the Seaplane Harbour in Tallinn on the evening of 14 December. All good ideas and practices gathered during these events will be issued as a toolbox and a thematic paper.

The Estonian Presidency held already one Executive Committee Meeting and also Jury meeting for choosing the ECPA Awards in November in Tallinn and one Executive Committee Meeting and Board Meeting is about to be organised on 12-13 December.

Good thoughts and useful data - this is what the newsletter is all about. Sharing is educating!

Anu Lepp

Chair EUCPN

### EUCPN output

#### NEW - EU funding and ongoing calls on our website

Crime prevention projects can obtain funding from a number of EU financial instruments. On our website we give you an overview of the most relevant funds. It also displays all the Calls for Proposals currently open in the areas of crime prevention.

[Visit our knowledge center](#)

### Policy

#### EUROPEAN COMMISSION

##### Resilience, Deterrence and Defence: Building strong cybersecurity for the EU

On 13 September 2017 the Commission adopted a cybersecurity package. The package builds upon existing instruments and presents new initiatives to further improve EU cyber resilience and response. The Estonian Presidency led work to adopt Council Conclusions on the renewed EU Cybersecurity Strategy (Joint Communication to the European Parliament and the Council: Resilience, Deterrence and Defence: Building strong cybersecurity for the EU\*). After this, an Action Plan implementing Council Conclusion on the new strategy will be presented for adoption by the General Affairs Council in December 2017.

- The core aim of the new strategy is to provide a long-term vision for EU cyber security and ensure trust in the Digital Single Market, while considering drastically changed International security environment and the evolution of Technologies and markets (smart devices/IoT).
- The new strategy should aim to achieve clear institutional mandates at the EU level and well-defined responsibilities among the EU bodies to achieve better efficiency and avoid duplication and overlaps.
- In general, the principle of security by design needs to be promoted in order to keep the trust in the Digital Single Market, where the central qualities are: strong digital identity, trustworthy cryptography, security of products and services and strengthening the EU cyber security industry.

In general we need to agree on priorities for making the EU:

1. better protected against cyber attacks;
2. more efficient in bringing cybercriminals to justice; and
3. prepared to respond to state-sponsored cyber operations by making it possible for the EU to use its diplomatic instruments in response of cyber attacks and support the development of EU collaboration with NATO and other international organizations, where an important aspect is supporting the development of cyber capacity in third countries in order to decrease the risk of cyber attacks originating from these locations.

Read the strategy [here](#).

### Research and publications

#### EUROPOL

##### Internet Organised Crime Threat Assessment (IOCTA) 2017

The 2017 Internet Organised Crime Threat Assessment (IOCTA) reports how cybercrime continues to grow and evolve. While many aspects of cybercrime are firmly established, other areas of cybercrime have witnessed a striking upsurge in activity, including attacks on an unprecedented scale, as cybercrime continues to take new forms and new directions. A handful of cyber-attacks have caused widespread public concern but only represented a small sample of the wide array of cyber threats now faced.

Read the IOCTA [here](#).

##### Cashing in on ATM Malware

ATM malware is one of the digital threats that have been around for a while now, with the discovery of the first known variant dating back to 2009. It should not be a surprise that it has become a mainstay in many cybercriminals' arsenal because it can, plainly put, steal cold, hard cash.

Read the [document](#).

#### EUROPEAN MIGRATION NETWORK (EMN)

##### EMN Bulletin: July to September 2017 Issue 20

The EMN Bulletin provides policymakers and other practitioners with updates on recent migration and international protection policy developments at EU and national level. The 20th edition of the EMN Bulletin provides information on developments at EU and national level (from July to September 2017).

Read the [bulletin](#).

#### EUROPEAN UNION AGENCY FOR FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS (FRA)

##### Challenges to women's human rights in the EU

Women and girls in the European Union (EU) experience persistent gender discrimination and gender-based violence, as evidence collected by FRA confirms. This severely limits the ability of women and girls to enjoy their rights and to participate on an equal footing in society. This FRA contribution to the third Annual Colloquium on Fundamental Rights 'Women's rights in turbulent times' looks at core human rights commitments. It balances these against selected evidence on gender discrimination, sexist hate speech and gender-based violence against women and girls in the EU.

Read the [report](#).

#### EUROPEAN MONITORING CENTRE FOR DRUGS AND DRUG ADDICTION (EMCDDA)

##### New developments in national drug strategies in Europe

This paper gives an overview of some recent developments in the tools most commonly used to manage national drug policies: strategies, coordination mechanisms and evaluations. It is based on an analysis of reports on national drug policies compiled by the EMCDDA's Retox focal points in the EMCDDA reporting countries (28 EU Member States, plus Turkey and Norway), consultation with experts and scientific literature.

Read the [paper](#).

##### Health and social responses to drug problems: a European guide

This guide and the associated package of online materials provides a reference point for planning or delivering health and social responses to drug problems in Europe. The most appropriate response will depend on the specific drug problems, the contexts in which these occur and the types of intervention that are possible and socially acceptable. By providing key information on some of the most important drug issues for Europe and the responses available, this guide aims to assist those involved in tackling these challenges to develop new programmes and improve existing ones.

Read the [paper](#).

#### PROTON

##### The 2nd PROTON newsletter

You will find out that the activities related to the systematic literature reviews for Organized Crime, Terrorism and Cybercrime, carried out by Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Fraunhofer Institute respectively, have developed.

Read the [newsletter](#).

### Member States' good practices

#### AUSTRIA

##### English summary of the Austrian Cybercrime Report for the Year 2016

In Austria the number of complaints involving cybercrime rose from 10,010 in 2015 to 13,103 in 2016, which is an increase by about 31 per cent. To counter the massive increase in ransomware, a special investigation team termed CLAVIS was set up in June 2016.

Read the [summary](#).

#### ESTONIA

##### Tallinn Digital Summit

One of the main high level meetings of the EU Estonian Presidency was Tallinn Digital Summit, which provided a platform for the heads of EU institutions and member states to launch discussions about the digital future of Europe. The aim of the summit, taking place on 29 September, was to work on identifying and agreeing on the key enablers of digital transformation and innovation for EU, so that Europe could not only sustain but improve the global competitiveness of its enterprises, and the quality of life of its citizens in the coming decade. The Prime Minister of Estonia, Jüri Ratas, published his conclusions from the summit, which were discussed further at the European Council meeting in October. The videos of the keynote speakers, conclusions, background papers and more information about the summit can be found [here](#).

##### EU Cybersecurity Conference "Digital Single Market, Common Digital Security"

EU Cybersecurity Conference "Digital Single Market, Common Digital Security" on 14-15 September brought together around 350 representatives from 37 different nationalities, both private and public sector and diverse group of speakers and panelists, who provided in-depth insight along with actionable and practical tools. Wide variety of viewpoints were joined for one purpose - to strengthen cybersecurity in our society - hopefully the conference took us one step forward. Additional information can be found [here](#).

#### GREECE

##### Anti-trafficking report

In its first report on Greece, the Council of Europe's expert group against human trafficking (GRETA) praises positive steps taken by Greek authorities to combat human trafficking, but also highlights a number of shortcomings.

Read the [report](#).

##### Prevention and Awareness Raising Activities of the Cyber Crime Division of the Hellenic Police

In particular, the Hellenic Police Cyber Crime Division has undertaken the following concrete actions in order to raise awareness for different types of cybercrime, dangers and internet safety among citizens, businesses, public sector institutions and Academia:

- Informative lectures and workshops are delivered to citizens, businesses, public sector and academic institutions.
- Teleconferences are handled in order to inform pupils (6-17 years old) about internet safety, possible dangers and several types of internet crimes. The content of the teleconference is based on the age of the attendees.
- Study visits at the Cyber Crime Division Headquarters are held for pupils and students in order to inform them about the structure and function of the Division.
- 5 international conferences on Internet Safety were organized in order to celebrate the Safer Internet Day. During the conferences presentations by distinguished experts and scientists were handled on issues related to the future development of Internet issues, the legislation applicable in the field of cybercrime, possible threats and dangers. The minutes of the five conferences were published in printed and electronic form, in order to enable all citizens to be aware about their outcomes.
- Additionally, two conferences for people with special needs and their inclusion in the digital environment was organized. All the conferences were transmitted over the Internet, through live-streaming, from the website of the Hellenic Police.
- Informative leaflets are published for different types of cyber crimes and dangers: Cyberbullying, Social media, Child Sexual Exploitation, Internet frauds, Security of information and espionage, Legal Framework, The future of the Internet, Statistics, Internet safety etc.
- 3 TV and 3 radio spots were produced about children's safety on the web, cyber-bullying and children education through chat rooms and types of Internet crimes. The spots were broadcasted through national channels and the Internet as social messages without charge. (they can be found in the [Hellenic Police Webpage](#))
- An informative website [www.cyberkid.gr](#) was created in order to inform parents and children about the internet safety. Except this, children can find many educative games and play online in a secure environment. Additionally, a Facebook page named "Cyberkid" is used in order to inform citizens on daily basis about new threats and developments. Furthermore, an innovative application for smartphones and tablets ("CYBERKID") was created in order to inform citizens on daily basis about new threats and measures of protection.
- A Memorandum of Cooperation was signed with the National Confederation of Hellenic Commerce in order to promote and coordinate actions in favor of fair organized trade and consumers. In this scope, the website [www.cyberalert.gr](#), the Facebook page CYBER ALERT, a Twitter account named "@CyberAlertGR" and the application Feelsafe were created.

Both the above mentioned applications allow citizens to directly contact the Hellenic Cyber Crime Division, in case of emergency by using only one "red" button. After that a concrete process named "Cyberalert saves lives" is followed in order to provide help to the person in danger. The applications are available without charge on Android Market, App Store and Windows Store.

#### ROMANIA

##### Project Forum theatre

On the 2nd of October 2017, at 12 o'clock, an interactive activity took place at The National College „Mircea cel Baiban” from Ramnicu Valcea, of which topic regarded the new trends for on the communication- relationship, victimization risks. The activity was about a theatrical performance, forum theatre. The play was performed by foreign volunteers from Spain, Turkey and Portugal, all of them being students who are included as volunteers at Valcea County Police Inspectorate in a project financed by Erasmus Program.

The play has four acts, the first is about the relationship of two teenagers and their way of communication, moreover, the means of information which they use to know and relate each other. The second one refers to a moment in which, the female character, as the partner's request, sends him compromising photos, due to the impulse of the adolescence and as a consequence of an emotional blackmail „show me, if you love me!". The third act is a description of the moment in which their relationship has broken up and the very next moment, in which, the male character posts on line the photos about his ex girlfriend. The fourth part presents a moment in which the male character's friends disapprove his behavior and express their indignation about sending those images (this description is a video projection, the characters not being on the stage) and the second moment in which the female character appears on the stage, her friend relates about the whole story, she rejects the idea of being posted those photos, then, she denies the fact that she is the one from those photos and, in the end, she commits suicide.

The aim of the play is to focus on the danger of the new generation using the social media excessively, the risks for relationships made in or by online. The technique of forum theatre is about the auditorium teenagers' involvement, the fragmentation of the play and an active involvement in that action as an aggressor, interveners and victim.

Tips regarding the main self-protection measures and security sources were presented to the auditorium at the end of the play. This way of getting information was so well seen by teenagers that it will be put on the scene in all high schools from Ramnicu Valcea in the next months and teenagers have made the proposal and availability to present another play for their colleagues from middle school.

##### Project I am a fan Gandire Fresh

In 2011, the Project "Fan gandirefresh" started as part of Crime Prevention Strategy at the level of the capital of Romania, under the direct coordination of the Prefect of Bucharest. The aim of the project was to decrease juvenile delinquency risks and victimization and its objectives are: identifying the causes and the favorable conditions of risk behaviors, developing abilities for a crimeless life and non-violent alternatives of spending the spare time for vulnerable teenagers, increasing the low knowledge degree for youths and a better communication with them (at school and online).

Within the Strategy was created the site: [www.gandirefresh.ro](#) and Facebook page, with the same designation, thus being the only inter-institutional site for safety of teenagers and youths in Romania.

In the high schools where repetitive violent events occurred, Clubs "gandirefresh" were formed and extra school activities are taken place weekly. In addition to these, every year, during the summer holidays, Preventive Summer School is organized under different topics, for 2017, the subject being "Cyber crime prevention". The target group was represented by teenagers over 14 years old (age of criminal responsibility for children in Romania). Preventive Summer School aimed to offer the pupils alternatives for spending spare time, in a pro-social way and for their personal development. The pupils belonging to the target group were informed about the risks of using online communication networks. The information was offered both by the specialists in different fields of activity (communication, image, photo, psycho-aesthetics, IT, addiction) and police officers from the Analyses and Crime Prevention Department, structure of General Directorate of Bucharest Police. Hence, the pupils found out that they can report an online environment abuse to the authorities, either to the police station or accessing the sites: [www.afraud.ro](#), [www.safetnet.ro](#), also active on the site [www.gandirefresh.ro](#).

Offered to the teenagers regarding the safety in online environment was materialized in a vlog ("Civics Games") that sends preventive messages to other youths and the information about an online application to test the vulnerability degree of virtual environment. Since the startup of the project "Fan gandirefresh" till now, 750 activities have been accomplished by the clubs, with beneficiaries: 8.544 pupils and 825 teachers. Every year, the number of online viewers has increased from 7.800 in 2013 to 22.612 in 2016 and only in the first semester of 2017 were registered 13.128 viewers.

#### SLOVAKIA

##### Project Virtual courage

Nobody is feeling delighted by hearing about violence committed on children. Police Force of the Slovak Republic carries out lot of preventive activities to provide the necessary information to the pupils of primary school on how to proceed in case of cyber-violence. Police officers point out the threats aimed at young people through the regional project "Virtual Courage". They warn about the existence of offenders among "friends" on social networks who know how to impress a child and manipulate it for their personal benefits. The project also alerts to cases of sexual extortion resulting from "sexting" - the exchange of sexual content or images. Experience has shown that young people create photos by themselves and consciously send them over the internet or mobile phone. Current technologies allow the photos to be spread further and this often leads to harassment and bullying online and then to self-abuse of victims or even to suicide. Prevention police officers are trying to provide to young people as much information as possible to avoid the situations when children become victims of sexual abuse online. Meanwhile, they are looking for the most effective ways to help them in case of problems.

### Upcoming events

Date	Event	Location
19-26 November 2017	RJ WEEK 2017	
28-30 November 2017	CEPOL 2017 Research and Science Conference	Budapest, Hungary
6 December 2017	Really bites: Experiences of immigrants and minorities in the EU	Brussels, Belgium
6-8 December 2017	Counterterrorism (CT) and Applied Intelligence Course	The Hague, Netherlands
13-15 December 2017	European Crime Prevention Award (ECPA) and Best Practice Conference (BPC)	Tallinn, Estonia
06 February 2018	The Safer Internet Day	
16-18 May 2018	Counterterrorism (CT) and Applied Intelligence Courses (7th Edition)	The Hague, Netherlands
11-12 June 2018	23rd German Congress on Crime Prevention	Dresden, Germany
12-14 June 2018	Stockholm Prize in Criminology 2018	Stockholm, Sweden
14-16 June 2018	10th international EFRJ Conference (Tirana 2018)	Tirana, Albania
25-27 September 2017	Fundamental Rights Forum 2018	Vienna, Austria

For more information on one of these events, click [here](#).

### Preview

The next edition of the EUCPN Newsletter in February 2018 will focus on Frauds (with focus on phone scams). We kindly invite readers to share their news and information on European crime prevention issues with the EUCPN Secretariat by sending contributions (in English, 100-150 words abstract) to [eucpn@bz.eu](mailto:eucpn@bz.eu)

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