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UNIVERSITY of MONTENEGRO NATIONAL UNIVERSITY of PUBLIC SERVICE, LUDOVIKA EUROPEAN SECURITY AND DEFENCE COLLEGE

INVITATION TO THE "CYBERSECURITY BASICS FOR NON-TECHNICAL EXPERTS"

(Activity Number 23-24/203/1)

Podgorica, 23 - 25 January 2024

Montenegro and Hungary have the honour of organising with the European Security and Defence College (ESDC), a course dedicate to cyber awareness and cyber hygiene. Specifically, the course is organised by the University of Montenegro and the National University of Public Service (NUPS), Ludovika, in Podgorica, Montenegro, from 23 – 25 January 2024.

It aims to explain the current cybersecurity strategy and legislation from the European Union's perspective. Participants will learn about current cyberattacks, threats, vulnerabilities and risks in an accessible way for non-technical persons. This course will move beyond the classic cybersecurity awareness training and enable the participants to use their own IT defence arrangements in a real environment. Participants will have the opportunity to network, share views and perspectives with one another and with professionals in the cybersecurity field.

This training activity is open to public sector employees including diplomatic and law enforcement from the EU Member States, the Western Balkan partners, the Eastern Partnership countries, EU Institutions and Agencies and military personnel, who need to use IT equipment on a daily basis and want to understand the basics of cybersecurity from a regulatory and technical perspective. The desired learning outcomes of this course would be to create well-informed personnel, able to work in roles requiring basic cybersecurity knowledge.

The training will consist of an e-learning preparatory phase as well as a residential course in Podgorica, Montenegro, which will be held from 23-25 January 2024. Both parts of the course are mandatory. The deadline for applications is on Friday 15 December 2023.

The ESDC is committed to an inclusive, gender-sensitive and discrimination-free environment. Only in an inclusive environment can all people, and therefore the ESDC and its partners, realize their true potential. We therefore particularly encourage those applicants who are likely to be underrepresented to apply.







Therefore, it is with great pleasure that we invite you to this "Cybersecurity basics for non-technical experts" course.

Please find below details concerning the registration process.

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Annexes:

- Administrative instructions and eLearning list







ANNEX I: Administrative instructions and eLearning list

The course will be held on a fully residential basis from 23 to 25 January 2024 under the auspices of the European Security and Defence College (ESDC) and hosted by the University of Montenegro in Podgorica.

Target Audience: The course will be held in English for a maximum of 30 participants. It is open to non-technical end users (civilians or military personnel) from EU Member States/EU Institutions Bodies and Agencies, International Organisations including Third Countries who need to use IT equipment on a daily basis and want to understand cybersecurity basics from both a regulatory and technical perspective.

How to apply: Applications from the EU Member States and institutions are to be filled out by the national ENLIST nominators via the ESDC secure registration system via the following link https://esdc.europa.eu/enlist/login, no later than 15 December 2023. A list of relevant ENLIST nominators can be retrieved from the ESDC website at https://esdc.europa.eu/nominators/

Applications from Non EU States have to be identified by their national authorities and transmitted to the course point of contact (see e-mail below).

Registration: Registration will not be final until confirmed by the ESDC Secretariat. When the participants' list is finalised, the course administration will contact the selected participants and provide them with all necessary information.

Late registration: Subject to availability of seats, the course is open for late registration, please contact course administration (details below).

Seats: A maximum of 30 participants is envisaged.

Location: The course will be held residentially in Podgorica, Montenegro at the University of Montenegro.

Language: Working language is English, without translation.

Time: The course starts on Tuesday 23 and ends Thursday 25 January 2023. Daily approximate times are 09:00-17:00

Cost: The sending authorities will cover all costs for travelling accommodation and catering.

E-learning: The residential part of the course will be preceded by mandatory e-learning modules which needs to be finalised before the residential part of the course starts, detailed information will be shared with selected participants.

Essential eLearning:

AKU1- History and context of ESDP/CSDP development **AKU4-** CSDP crisis management structures and the Chain of Command







AKU5- Civilian and military capability development **AKU6-** CSDP decision shaping/making

AKU107- Awareness course on Cyber Diplomacy

Optional eLearning:

AKU104- 10 modules from The EU Agency for Cybersecurity (ENISA)

Attendance: The participant's attendance during the course is mandatory on all days. A certificate of attendance will be awarded on the last day to those course participants who have completed the full course, including the mandatory e-Learning modules.

All international travel, transport and accommodation costs during the course are to be covered by the sending authorities. It is recommended that participants arrive to Podgorica by 22 January 2023 at the latest. Participants should arrange their own travel and accommodation. Further information will be sent to participants after registration.

The dress code is business attire for both civilians and military personnel.

The format of the course is residential in Podgorica. Please do not book flights and accommodation before receiving the confirmation message.

Supporting services:

All administrative information, programmes and material will be made available to accepted participants through the ESDC's e-learning platform (ILIAS LMS).

Important deadlines

Nomination Deadline: 21/12/2023

Participants Confirmation Deadline: 08/01/2024

Starting E-learning: 10/01/2023

Diversity and Inclusion

The ESDC strives to create a gender-sensitive and inclusive environment in all its courses, activities and day-to-day work. Only in an inclusive environment can all people, and therefore the ESDC and its partners, reach their true potential. We do not and will not discriminate on the basis of race, colour, religion, gender, gender expression, age, national origin, disability, marital status, or sexual orientation in any of our activities or operations. The ESDC and the Training Institutes do not tolerate any conduct that violates these values.

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