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Welcome and introduction

- Overview of the European Cybersecurity Competence Centre (ECCC)

- ECCC: DEP Project Portfolio

- ECCC's next steps

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The ECCC

The ECCC is the engine for the implementation of Europe's strategy in research, innovation, and industrial policy in the area of cybersecurity.

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The ECCC

- established with Regulation (EU) 2021/887 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2021.

- The ECCC financial autonomy is foreseen by Q3/2024.

- The ECCC premises are located at the **Polytechnic University in Bucharest - CAMPUS Centre**, and its operations have been carried out from there in a temporary office **since 09.05.2023.**

- The permanent premises will be delivered in Q2/Q3-2024.

- As of 01.03.2024, the ECCC will have 30 staff member out of 38 foreseen in the regulation.

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ECCC – from strategy to implementation

MISSION

- ✓ Reinforce EU **leadership and strategic autonomy**.

- ✓ Support the Union's **technological capacities**.

- ✓ Increase the global **competitiveness of the Union's cybersecurity industry**.
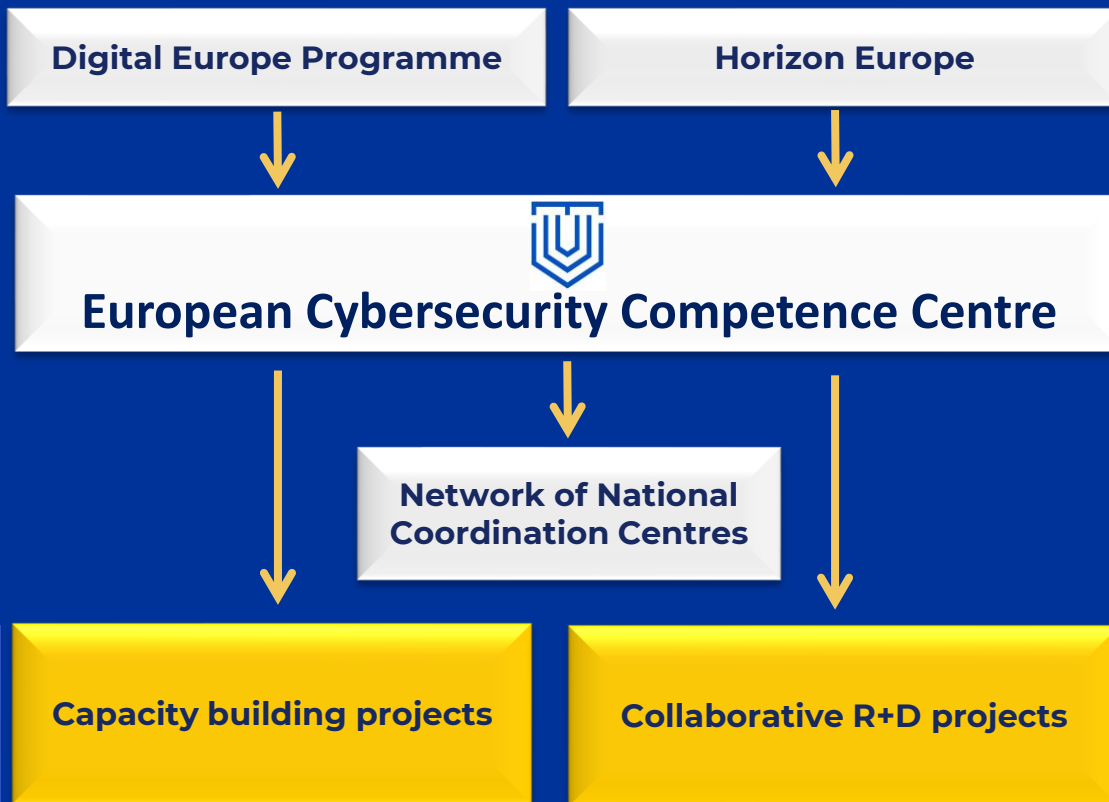
OBJECTIVES

- ✓ Enhance cybersecurity capacities, capabilities, knowledge and infrastructure.

- ✓ Promote **cybersecurity resilience** and the uptake of cybersecurity best practices.

- ✓ **Contribute to a strong European cybersecurity ecosystem that brings together all relevant stakeholders**.

IMPLEMENTATION

- ✓ Developing and monitoring the implementation of the **Strategic Agenda**.

- ✓ Managing cybersecurity-related financial support from **Horizon Europe** and **Digital Europe Programme**.

- ✓ Facilitating and coordinating the work of the **NCCs Network**.

- ✓ Where relevant and appropriate, acquiring and operating ICT infrastructures and services.

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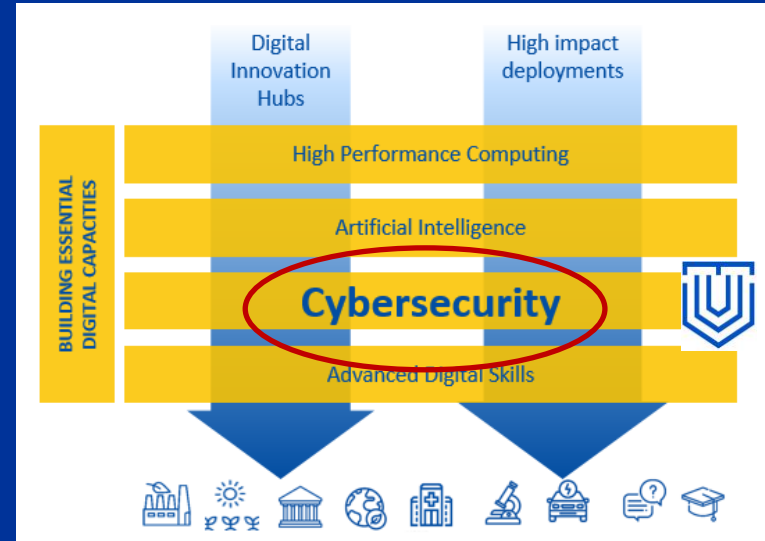# Proposed EU cybersecurity funding sources (2021-2027)

Digital Europe Programme framework

Deployment of technology to businesses and citizens.

Speed up economic recovery and digital transformation of European economy and society.

Complementary to other EU programmes, e.g., Horizon Europe

Strategic financing for 5 crucial areas

Digital Innovation Hubs

High impact deployments

BUILDING ESSENTIAL DIGITAL CAPACITIES

High Performance Computing

Artificial Intelligence

Cybersecurity

Advanced Digital Skills

DEP Project portfolio and budget

DEP WP 2021 – 2022
DIGITAL-ECCC-2022-CYBER 02, 03, 3B

Around #100 ongoing projects, related to the following topics:

- *NCCs* #24 🔍

- *Security Operation Centers (SOCs)* #27 🔍

- *projects focused on the support of **NIS Directive**, **cybersecurity resilience**, **cybersecurity in Health**, etc.*

DEP WP 2023 – 2024
DIGITAL-ECCC-2022-CYBER – 04

- Evaluated in November 2024

- Grant Agreement preparation phase on going (#13 projects)

- Total budget: 71 M €

As of 2025, ECCC will manage an overall DEP budget of more than 700 M €

(327 M € for WP2021-22 + 375 M € of WP 2023-24).

DEP – Cyber 02, 03, 04 – geographical distribution
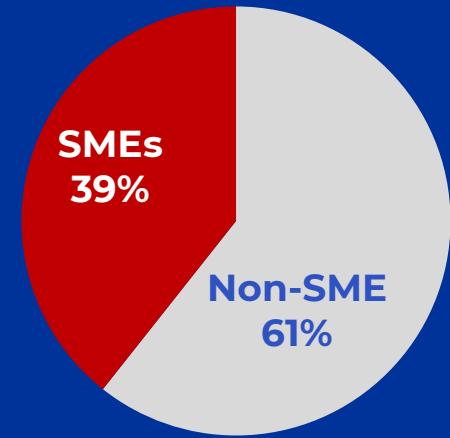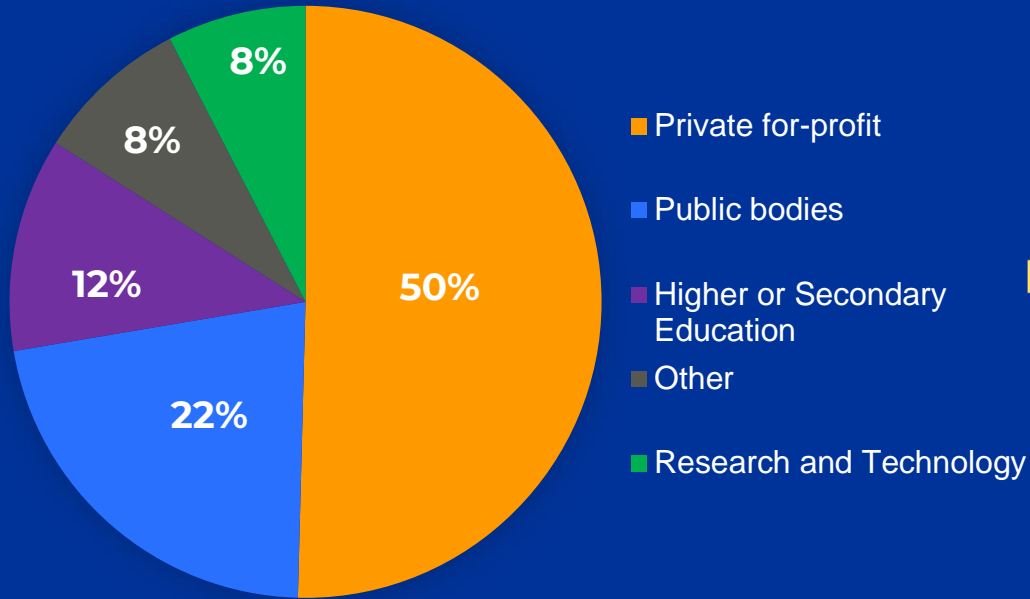
Coordinators and Beneficiaries distribution

Coordinators – country allocation

Countries	27
AT	2
BE	5
BG	1
CY	5
CZ	4
DE	6
DK	1
EL	9
ES	4
EE	1
FI	1
FR	8
HR	3
IE	5
IS	2
IT	6
LT	3
LU	4
LV	1
MT	1
NL	3
NO	4
PL	5
PT	3
RO	9
SE	2
SK	15
Total	**113**

DEP – Cyber 02, 03, 04 – type of beneficiaries

Beneficiaries: sectors and size distribution

- Private for-profit
- Public bodies
- Higher or Secondary Education
- Other
- Research and Technology

50%
22%
12%
8%
8%

SMEs 39%
Non-SME 61%

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Examples of ongoing projects under DEP

- ✓ **SOCshare aims to strengthen SOCs in Lithuania** and elsewhere in Europe, to react more quickly to cyber-attacks and to share the obtained information.

- ✓ **Achievements:** created and shared 60 cyber threat intelligence datasets some of which actively helped protect from cyberattacks, by detecting and blocking intrusion attempts of threat-actors in business environment

- ✓ **ASCLEPIUS project aims to tackle the EU cybersecurity preparedness** and provide greater cyber protection to **help strengthen Europe healthcare** sector after the Covid-19 crisis.

- ✓ **Achievements:** developing of a cyber maturity assessment, with the aim to analyze current capabilities and processes of the organization for maintaining cybersecurity.

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ECCC – Next steps

DEP

- ECCC will assume full implementation of **DEP – Objective 3 "Cybersecurity and Trust".**

HORIZON EUROPE

ECCC will also assume the cybersecurity destination of **cluster 3.**

SOCs

Solid contribution to developing the **European Cyber Shield,** thanks to a budget of around 90 M€ dedicated to further actions for building capacities of SOCs (DEP WP 2023-2024)".

Upcoming WPs

- The **Strategic Agenda (SA) provides input for drafting DEP and Horizon WP.**
- The drafting of the WP 2025-27 starting now.
- The **SA "Action Plan" in progress.**

NCCs and Community

- NCCs network has a strategic role in building the Community.
- **Building the Community is crucial for successfully achieving the ECCC strategic objectives**.

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We value your opinion!

Don't miss the opportunity to take part in our interactive workshop!
Today (14.15 - 15.15)

The workshop aims to gather input from you in terms of which areas should receive priority cybersecurity funding under DEP:

✓ *ECCC Strategic Agenda:* **Priority Actions 1-3**

✓ **Prioritization of investments for industrial sectors**

✓ **Other ideas**

Input for future DEP WP on priority funding areas

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