EU CYBER DIRECT
EU Cyber Diplomacy Initiative

We support the European Union's cyber diplomacy and international digital engagements, through research, capacity building support, and multistakeholder cooperation.

Goals

> The project contributes to development, adoption and implementation of **collective approaches** towards a single, open, free, and secure cyberspace which fully reflects **EU values** of democracy, human rights and the rule of law.

> We aim to identify opportunities for **increased convergence** between the EU and other stakeholders on the application of existing **international law** in cyberspace and development of **cyber norms** and **confidence building measures.**

> Our goal is to **increase participation** of different stakeholder groups in **regional and global debates** on responsible behaviour and resilience in cyberspace through **building capacities** and **sharing knowledge** about the EU's standards, policies and good practices.

Issues

Our work focuses on four main policy areas:

Conflict prevention and **advancing responsible behaviour in cyberspace** through international law, norms, and confidence-building measures (CBMs)

Cyber resilience and critical infrastructure protection

Cybercrime and criminal justice in cyberspace

New and emerging technologies with a potential disruptive effect

Activities

Policy-oriented events: tailored, bilateral cyber consultations, workshops, and capacity building activities with governments, civil society, academia, think tanks and the private sector.

Policy analysis & research: reports, online resources, policy commentaries, and publications on cyber diplomacy with geographical or thematic focus.

Public diplomacy & outreach: conferences, outreach activities, and other multistakeholder initiatives on cyber diplomacy.

We work with 100+ partners worldwide to create a truly global community of researchers and practitioners from government, industry, academia, and civil society.

Our stakeholders

Research & academia: Bringing together researchers, think-tanks and academia to further knowledge on key concepts and shape the discussion on cyber and digital issues through publications, seminars, conferences, policy briefs, and other research products.

Governments: Working with government representatives to gain a better understanding of national positions and policies, while sharing knowledge about the EU's standards, policies and good practices, through public consultations and resources, and events like the European Cyber Diplomacy Dialogue.

Civil society: Engaging with civil society organisations to ensure that multistakeholder perspectives are taken into account in key policy debates and processes at the local, regional and global levels, through workshops, outreach and public diplomacy initiatives.

Private sector: Connecting with industry and the private sector to strengthen multistakeholder cooperation within the EU and beyond, while building capacities and sharing information across sectors, through initiatives.

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