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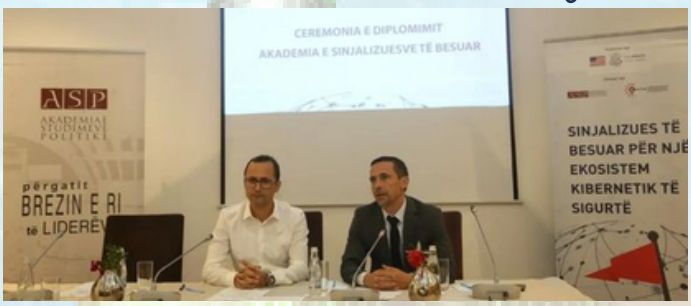


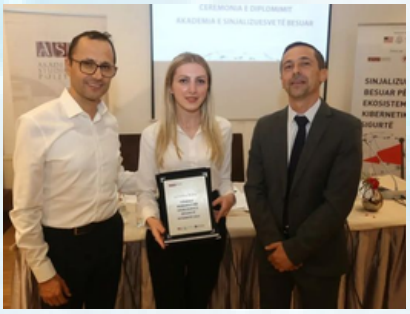
The project "Trusted flaggers for a safe Cyber Ecosystem Against Violent Extremism" is finalized

The project "Trusted flaggers for a safe cyber ecosystem against violent extremism" was successfully completed yesterday, organized by the Academy of Political Studies (ASP) in cooperation with the National Authority for Electronic Certification and Cyber Security (AKCESK) with the support of the Embassy of the United States of America in Tirana.

About 20 participants benefited from knowledge in the cycle of the Academy of Trusted flaggers, from the best local and foreign experts. AKCESK and other state institutions offered internships and dedicated training in the field of cyber security.

Trusted flaggers also took part in the competition to monitor illegal content online for a period of 4 months (April – July 2023), on social media and Youtube, where the flagger with the most reports was offered a full certification scholarship in Data Science, in coding or cybersecurity profile at Academy Coding Dojo inc.

AKCESK, guaranteed the further continuation of training and professional cooperation with the network of Trusted Signalers, to guarantee a better and safer internet for children and young people in Albania



Cyber Security in the Tourism Sector.

Nothing good comes from a cyber attack, so it's essential to be proactive, stay informed and better protect your tourism business from cyber security threats. Follow some tips:

1. Do not click on links from emails or websites

2. Enable two-factor or multi-factor authentication (2FA/MFA)

3. Update your operating system

4. Avoid accessing your email on public networks without proper protection.

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FBI warns organizations of double ransomware attacks

The FBI recently released a notice warning private industry organizations of new ransomware attacks that aim to encrypt files in less than two days.
The agency has continuously monitored these trends since July 2023 and also observed that attackers use two distinct variants of ransomware when targeting organizations, resulting in a combination of data encryption, exfiltration and financial loss.

The FBI advises organizations to implement mitigation measures and report any unusual activity on their networks.

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Lyca Mobile confirms a cyber attack

Lyca Mobile, a mobile virtual network operator (MVNO) that provides mobile phone services in 60 countries and has more than 16 million customers, was the victim of a cyberattack that affected all of the company's markets except those in the United States, Australia, Ukraine and Tunisia.
The company is currently investigating the incident that disrupted its network and is trying to determine the full extent of the damage, without confirming whether it was a ransomware attack.

Lyca Mobile customers should be vigilant and monitor their accounts for any suspicious activity
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Microsoft warns of cyber attacks on Cloud platforms

Microsoft has provided details of a new campaign in which attackers unsuccessfully tried to gain access to a cloud platform through infected SQL servers.

The attack starts with an SQL injection against the database server allowing the attacker to gather information about the host, databases and network configuration.

Microsoft announced that it found no evidence that attackers managed to gain access to the cloud platform.

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PATCHING ALERT

Cisco- patching alert

A week after patching a zero-day vulnerability, Cisco has released new security updates.
The vulnerability, identified as CVE-2023-20101, allows unauthenticated attackers to access a device using an account with default credentials, allowing them to execute arbitrary commands.

The company advises administrators to update vulnerable installations as soon as possible

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