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AKSK participating in the Workshop on the State and Needs for Cyber Security in the Balkan Region



On May 9-10, the UNDP Regional Office in cooperation with the UNDP Office in Albania organized in Tirana the Workshop on the State and Needs for Cyber Security in the Balkan Region.

This event was attended by the General Director of the National Cyber Security Authority (AKSK), Mr. Igli Tafa, representatives from UNDP offices from the countries of the Western Balkans, Moldova, Georgia, Mrs. Monica Merino representative of UNDP Albania, Mr. Sokol Haxhiu director of Critical Infrastructure Digitalization and Resilience (CIDR) Albania as well as representatives from the National Information Society Agency (AKSHI).

The possibility of designing a regional program for responding to cyber security challenges was discussed which aims to share knowledge and experience in addressing these needs, including identifying key sectors to engage and support.

Workshop on Critical Infrastructure Protection and Cyber Security in Albania.

In the framework of strengthening the capacities of regulatory institutions of critical sectors in Albania and the process of designing a new methodology for the identification of critical and important information infrastructures, the National Cyber Security Authority organized a workshop focused on topics related to critical infrastructures, cyber risk and impact assessment of potential incidents.

At the opening of the activity, the General Director Mr. Igli Tafa underlined the commitment of the Authority for the protection of critical infrastructures and the increase of the capacities of cyber security staff covering critical sectors. The workshop was conducted by the American expert Mr. Newton, who works closely with the Authority's team, offering the best expertise in the field of cyber security. Participants in this activity were representatives from regulatory institutions.





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The National Authority for Cyber Security in cooperation with the Albanian Association of Banks organized the meeting on the "Open Banking" process.

The National Authority for Cyber Security in cooperation with the Albanian Association of Banks organized on May 7, 2024 the meeting on the "Open Banking" process.

Open **Bnking** is an innovative process that will facilitate payment services for citizens through **êknologjis**. The authority brought together all stakeholders to address issues related to the "Open Banking" process, emphasizing the use of secure services provided by the qualified trusted service provider, the National Information Society Agency.

This meeting was attended by Mrs. Delina Ibrahimaj, Minister of State for Entrepreneurship and Business Climate, Mr. Endrit Yzeiraj, Deputy Minister of Economy, Culture and Innovation, Mrs. Luljeta Minxhozi, First Deputy Governor of the Bank of Albania, Mrs. Mirlinda Karçanaj, General Director of the National Agency of the Information Society, Mr. Ervin Koçi, General Director of the Financial Intelligence Agency, representatives of second level banks operating in Albania as well as representatives from Fin Tech.

The purpose of the meeting was to address the issues related to the Open Banking process, and to promote the coordination of actors to enable the goal of realizing this process by June of this year.



Awareness of the Online Protection of Children and Young People

On May 9, in the city of Fier, the National Authority for Cyber Security (AKSK) in cooperation with the State Agency for the Rights and Protection of Children (ASHDMF) held the next awareness meeting on the Protection Children and Young People Online for safe use of the internet.

Students, teachers, the principal and the school psychologist were involved in this meeting.

Such lectures are aimed at instructing students on ways to safely use technology and the Internet. This includes advising to act carefully in the digital space in order to maximize the benefits of technology and avoid potential risks.



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