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Investment, Technology and Sustainability: Albania's Approach to CyberSec 2025

At the CyberSec 2025 international conference in Rome, AKSK Director General Igli Tafa presented Albania's efforts to strengthen cybersecurity in the face of regional and international threats. He stressed the need for a common European strategy and strengthening partnerships for digital sustainability.

Mr. Tafa focused on the challenges of the digital age, mentioning the importance of technologies such as artificial intelligence and quantum computing. According to him, digital security is essential for the protection of citizens, economic stability and national integrity.

NCSA strengthens regional cooperation through WB3C

The National Cyber Security Authority hosted a delegation from France, Slovenia and Montenegro, as part of a visit on cooperation with the Western Balkans Cyber Capacity Building Center (WB3C). As the national coordinator of this initiative, AKSK has facilitated the training of public administration employees and will continue to support regional initiatives in this regard.

The delegations were closely acquainted with the Security Operations Center (SOC) and the specialized laboratories of AKSK. The visit confirmed Albania's commitment to sharing expertise and strengthening cooperation in the field of cybersecurity at the regional level.

SimSpace at the service of security: advanced training for critical institutions

NCSA organized a practical training to increase the defense capacities of critical infrastructures and independent institutions, using the SimSpace platform – an advanced tool for simulating cyber attacks and testing defense strategies in real, but controlled conditions.

This training aimed to prepare specialists to better cope with the growing threats in the digital space. The activity was carried out in collaboration with First Cyber Security & Engineering Solutions and with the support of DCAF.

Advanced training for top students in cybersecurity

NCSA continues its support for talented young people in the field of cybersecurity, by organizing an advanced training with the SimSpace platform for the most prominent students from universities. Participants had the opportunity to gain practical experience with real simulations of attacks and incident management.

This training is part of the efforts to form the new generation of digital security experts and to strengthen local capacities. The activity was carried out in collaboration with First Cyber Security & Engineering Solutions and with the support of DCAF.

Digital education for seniors: Cybersecurity for all

NCSA conducted information activities for the elderly in the Day Centers in Durrës and Tirana, with a focus on raising awareness about online fraud and protection in the digital space. The elderly are among the groups most vulnerable to fraudulent schemes, so increasing knowledge about safe internet use is essential.

This initiative aims to empower every age group to face the challenges of the digital world. The activities were carried out with the support of the OSCE Presence in Albania.

5G network and cyber challenges: solutions through cooperation

NCSA organized a workshop on cybersecurity in the 5G network, highlighting the importance of a coordinated approach between authorities and telecommunications companies. Topics covered included the European and Albanian regulatory framework, incident management and the use of the "5G Toolbox".

Director Igli Tafa stressed the necessity of concrete cooperation with the telecommunications sector to ensure a secure digital environment. The activity was enriched with the contribution of international experts and was supported by the Ministry of Economy, the Albanian Agency for Information and Communication Technologies and the EU-funded Cyber Balkans project.