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## Western Balkans Cyber Camp 2026: Advancing the Development of Cybersecurity Talent in the Region



The National Cyber Security Authority organized the latest edition of the Western Balkans Cyber Camp 2026 in Durrës, a regional initiative dedicated to the development of young talent in the field of cybersecurity. The camp brought together young people, students, and professionals from across the Western Balkans, providing them with the opportunity to participate in technical sessions, interactive discussions, and practical activities focused on the latest cybersecurity challenges and developments.

During the event, participants enhanced their skills through hands-on exercises and a Capture The Flag (CTF) competition, strengthening their knowledge in identifying and managing cyber threats. Through this camp, AKSK continues to contribute to building a sustainable community of professionals and emerging talents, while fostering regional cooperation and preparing the next generation of cybersecurity experts.



## Cybersecurity Talent Club Continues Its Meetings Throughout April

The National Cyber Security Authority has launched a dedicated training cycle for independent institutions, aimed at strengthening capacities and increasing the level of preparedness for the implementation of the legal and regulatory framework requirements in the field of cybersecurity. These trainings are part of AKSK's ongoing commitment to supporting institutions in fulfilling the obligations arising from the new cybersecurity legislation.

During the first sessions, participants were introduced to cybersecurity measures, risk management processes, incident reporting obligations, as well as mechanisms for assessing and monitoring security levels. This training cycle aims to establish a unified and sustainable approach to strengthening cybersecurity across independent institutions and to contribute to enhancing the security of the country's digital ecosystem.



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## MIRATOHET LIGJI

**“Për identifikimin elektronik,  
shërbimet e besuara dhe  
portofolin e identitetit digjital”**

### The Law on Electronic Identification, Trust Services, and the Digital Identity Wallet Has Been Approved

The Assembly of Albania approved the law “On Electronic Identification, Trust Services, and the Digital Identity Wallet,” fully aligned with the European Union’s eIDAS1 and eIDAS2 regulations. The law establishes the foundation for implementing the most advanced European policies in the field of electronic identification and trust services, while strengthening the security, reliability, and interoperability of digital services in Albania.

One of the key innovations introduced by the law is the creation of the Digital Identity Wallet, which will enable citizens to securely store, manage, and share identification data and electronic documents, as well as electronically sign documents. The law also expands the range of trust services and strengthens supervisory mechanisms for electronic identification schemes and service providers, supporting the further development of the country’s digital economy and digital services.

### Albania Joins the NATO Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence

Albania officially became a member of the NATO Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence (CCDCOE), NATO’s centre of excellence for cyber defence headquartered in Tallinn, Estonia. The membership was formalized during the flag-raising ceremony at the centre’s headquarters, where Albania joined Finland and Sweden as part of the international cyber expertise network that brings together 39 member and partner nations.

Membership in the CCDCOE provides Albania with the opportunity to contribute to and benefit from scientific research, training programs, international exercises, and the exchange of expertise in the field of cyber defence. Through this cooperation, the country further strengthens its role within Euro-Atlantic security structures and expands opportunities for the development of national capacities in addressing cyber threats.



### The Awareness-Raising Activities Cycle on Children’s Online Safety Concludes

The National Cyber Security Authority concluded the cycle of awareness-raising activities on children’s online safety for the 2025–2026 school year by organizing the final activity with students of “Vatra e Dijes” school in Tirana. Through interactive discussions and conversations, children learned about the importance of protecting personal data, using the internet safely, and identifying and avoiding online risks.

During the 2025–2026 school year, AKSK organized 39 awareness-raising activities across several areas of Albania, including 36 awareness sessions, 1 webinar, 1 training for Child Protection Workers, and 1 roundtable discussion with responsible institutions. In total, 1,675 children and participants took part in these activities, carried out in cooperation with the State Agency for the Rights and Protection of the Child, with the aim of strengthening the culture of digital safety and promoting a safer online environment for younger generations.

### The National Cybersecurity Capacity-Building Program for SMEs Begins

The National Cyber Security Authority organized a meeting with organizations and institutions supporting small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), focused on presenting the National Cybersecurity Capacity-Building Program for SMEs. The meeting served as a platform for discussing challenges related to the cybersecurity of businesses, at a time when the digitalization of processes and the increased use of online services are expanding exposure to cyber threats.

The program will be implemented in several phases and includes awareness-raising activities, assessments of businesses’ cybersecurity maturity, practical training sessions, and technical support for the implementation of open-source protective solutions. In addition, the results and experiences gathered throughout this process will contribute to the development of the “Albanian Cybersecurity Manual for SMEs,” a practical document dedicated to strengthening the security and digital resilience of Albanian businesses.



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