

Preliminary Agenda

EU-LAC Digital Alliance Dialogue on Cybersecurity

14-16 February 2024

Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic

Opening workshops		
Location: LAC4 centre (Centro INDOTEL, Calle Isabel la Católica, Santo Domingo)		
14 th of February 2024	Time	Sessions
Day 1	09:00 – 09:30	ARRIVAL & NETWORKING COFFEE
	09:30 – 09:45	WELCOME REMARKS
	09:45 – 11:30	BUILDING A CYBER-RESILIENT ECOSYSTEM WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR <i>Objective: Engage with the private sector and civil society to fulfill the objectives of the Digital Alliance on cybersecurity</i>
	11:30 – 13:00	CYBERSECURITY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT IN THE LAC REGION <i>Objective: Discuss the workforce shortages in the cybersecurity sector in the region and design strategies to develop skills and competences to meet the needs in Latin America and the Caribbean</i>
	13:00 – 14:30	Networking lunch
	14:30 – 16:00	BI-REGIONAL PLATFORM TO PREVENT AND MITIGATE CYBER RISKS <i>Objective: Discuss multistakeholder collaboration mechanisms as well as the possibility to establish a bi-regional platform</i>

<p align="center">Policy Dialogue on Cybersecurity co-chaired by the EU and the Dominican Republic</p> <p align="center">Location: Jaragua Hotel, Santo Domingo</p>
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15 th of February 2024	Time	Sessions
	08:30 – 09:00	ARRIVAL & WELCOME OF PARTICIPANTS
	09:00 – 09:30	OPENING REMARKS TO HIGH LEVEL DIALOGUE BY THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC AND THE EU Joel Santos Echavarría, Minister of the Presidency of the Dominican Republic Felice Zaccheo, European Commission
	09:30 – 11:00	EU-LAC DIGITAL ALLIANCE: CYBER DIPLOMACY <i>Objective: Present current multilateral discussions and cyber diplomacy dialogues related to the objectives of the Digital Alliance</i>
	11:00 – 11:30	Coffee Break
	11:30 – 12:30	OPERATIONALISING STRATEGIES ON CYBER DIPLOMACY <i>Objective: Establish concrete steps or initiatives related to enhancing bi-regional cooperation and cyber diplomacy</i>
	12:30 – 14:00	Networking Lunch
	14:00 – 15:30	DIALOGUE ON STRENGTHENING NATIONAL AND REGIONAL CYBER ECOSYSTEMS <i>Objective: Establish a dialogue to exchange on best practices in national cybersecurity governance models to promote efficient cooperation among stakeholders</i>
	15:30 – 16:00	Coffee break
	16:00 – 17:30	OPERATIONALISING STRATEGIES TO STRENGTHEN NATIONAL AND REGIONAL CYBER ECOSYSTEMS <i>Objective: Establish a roadmap to support more resilient cyber ecosystems at the national and regional level, as well as bi-regional exchange of best practices</i>

16 th of February 2024	Time	Session and Speakers
Day 3	09:00 – 09:30	ARRIVAL & WELCOME OF PARTICIPANTS
	09:30 – 11:00	DIALOGUE ON SECURE CONNECTIVITY AND THE IDENTIFICATION AND PROTECTION OF CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE <i>Objective: Discuss the possibility of establishing regional cybersecurity toolboxes to promote secure connectivity and the protection of critical infrastructure</i>
	11:00 – 11:30	Coffee break
	11:30 – 12:30	OPERATIONALISING STRATEGIES ON SECURE CONNECTIVITY AND CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE <i>Objective: Explore the opportunities for multistakeholder cooperation towards secure connectivity and the protection of critical infrastructure in the LAC region</i>
	12:30 – 14:00	Networking Lunch
	14:00 – 15:00	DIGITAL ALLIANCE POLICY DIALOGUE: ARTICULATING CYBERSECURITY, CONNECTIVITY, E-GOVERNMENT, DATA PROTECTION AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE <i>Objective: Articulate the high-level policy dialogue on cybersecurity with the other components of the EU-LAC Digital Alliance policy dialogues</i>
	15:00 – 15:30	Coffee break
	15:30 – 16:30	PRESENTATION OF CONCLUSIONS AND WAY FORWARD <i>Objective: Reaching consensus on joint initiatives and set a tentative work plan towards the EU-CELAC Summit</i> Presentation: Felice Zaccheo, European Commission, José David Montilla, Dominican Republic Comments from the audience and closing remarks