



# ENISA progress

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# European Network and Information Security Agency

Commission Communication (COM (2001) 298)

- "European Warning and Information System"

eEurope 2005 Action Plan (COM (2002) 263)

- "Cyber Security Task Force"

Proposal by Commission (COM (2003) 63 – Feb 2003)

- "Network and Information Security Agency"
- Council of Ministers agree but propose changes
  - Advisory role only
  - Management board of MS representatives with more detailed role
- Not yet formally agreed (Council meet Nov.2003)



# Proposed Objectives

(from Commission proposal):

- “create a common understanding in Europe of issues relating to information security that is necessary to ensure the availability and security of networks and information systems in the Union”
- “provide assistance in the application of Community measures relating to network and information security”



# Proposed Tasks

- Gather and analyse data on information security
  - Including IT incidents
- Centre of expertise for technical matters
- Contribute to cooperation in the field
- Provide support to Member States,
  - e.g. on risk assessment and awareness raising
- Identify relevant standardisation needs
- Support contacts with countries outside the EU



# Inter-Disciplinary Working Group

Created to advise on formation of ENISA

- Delegations from Member States
  - Government, industry, academic
- Participants from accession states and EEA too
- A few with CSIRT experience



# IDWG meeting July 2003

Almost unanimous view of purpose

- NOT operational; NOT a CSIRT
- Identify & share best current practice in MS
  - On information sharing and operations
- Help small business and end-users
  - Advise governments on awareness raising
- Most of first year effort needed to get established

Two preparatory studies planned



## Next steps

Council meeting Nov 2003

IDWG meeting Dec 2003

ENISA created early 2004

Activities will be controlled by Member States

- Talk to your representatives as soon as possible