

Relations with EC

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EC's "pillars"

- single market & regulation & legislation
- European competitiveness & RTD programs
- & eEurope Action Plan & combating cybercrime (& legislation)

So EC has units for:

- security RTD projects
- legislation
- combating cybercrime



Historic milestones (1)

June 2000: eEurope Action Plan

“stimulating public/private co-operation on dependability of information infrastructures (including the development of early warning systems) and improve co-operation amongst national ‘CERTs’ ”

https://europa.eu.int/ISPO/docs/policy/docs/e_europe/action_plan_june_en.pdf



Historic milestones (2)

January 2001: "Creating a Safer Information Society by Improving the Security of Information Infrastructures and Combating Computer-related Crime"

**Communication, in context of eEurope, on
cybercrime legislation and law enforcement**

COM(2000)890

**[http://europa.eu.int/ISPO/eif/InternetPoliciesSite/
Crime/CrimeCommEN.htm](http://europa.eu.int/ISPO/eif/InternetPoliciesSite/Crime/CrimeCommEN.htm)**



Historic milestones (3)

June 2001: "Network and Information Security: Proposal for A European Policy Approach"

A European Warning and Information System

"Member States should review their CERT system with a view to strengthening the equipment and competence of existing CERTs. In support of national efforts the EC will develop a concrete proposal to strengthen co-operation within the EU. (...) "

COM(2001)298final



Historic milestones (4)

**December 2001: Council Resolution
(Telecoms Ministers) on a common
approach and specific actions in the area of
network and information security**

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Visits of TF-CSIRT deputations to EC

16 November 2000

(29 November 2000: letter with suggestions)

**(2 February 2001: workshop on security of
information infrastructures)**

23 February 2001

12 December 2001

All visits to unit DGIS/C4



Highlights of December 12th meeting (1)

- Much more political attention for Internet security issues (Sept. 11th)
- But the only instruments remain: funding of RTD projects (gap of a year after Feb. 2002) and legislation
- TF-CSIRT deputation reported on IODEF work, Trusted Introducer service, training workshop



Highlights of December 12th meeting (2)

- **Project proposal for funding of training workshop rejected**
- **Project proposals SABEM and EISPP**
- **Encouragement to people from TF-CSIRT community to register as potential reviewer of project proposals**



Highlights of December 12th meeting (3)

- **“Handbook” for CSIRTs on computer crime: possible co-operation between unit C4 and computer crime unit (Mr. Papapavlou)**
- **December 6th Council Resolution:**
 - Member States to review by mid 2002 the effectiveness of national arrangements regarding computer emergency response
 - EC by mid 2002 make proposals for establishment of cyber-security task force
 - Cross-pillar dimension of network and information security



Highlights of December 12th meeting (4)

- **DDSI (Dependability Development Support Initiative) project and "EWIS" workshops**
 - Visited TF-CSIRT meeting in Manchester September 2001
 - Brussels workshop 25-26 October 2001
 - 2nd Brussels workshop 17-18 January 2002

