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TRANSITS holds third CSIRT Training Course in Castello di San Gaudenzio, Italy

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Castello di San Gaudenzio, outside Milan, provided an outstanding venue for the third TRANSITS Training Course. The relaxed and peaceful setting was ideal for two days of hard work and contributed to the lively discussions and interaction, both in the training sessions and during the breaks, meals and in the evenings.



TRANSITS, a European Union Information Society Technologies project, organises training courses for members of Computer Security Incident Response Teams (CSIRTs). The courses deal with the operational, organisational and legal aspects of incident response and are aimed exclusively at professionals who are either members of existing computer security teams, or who will be involved in building such a team within their organisation. The course materials have been developed by members of TERENA's TF-CSIRT and the maintenance of the materials is being funded by the TRANSITS project. TERENA and UKERNA are the two partners in the project.

The programme in San Gaudenzio was structured on five modules, each presented by a prominent member of the European CSIRT community. Twenty-two students from fourteen countries were divided into two groups, which both heard the five subject modules during the two-day course.

Andrew Cormack, the Chief Security Advisor of UKERNA presented the module on **Vulnerabilities**. The module on **Legal Issues** was presented by Jacques Schuurman, Head of the Department of Services and Support at SURFnet, the national research and education network of the Netherlands. Klaus Möller of DFN-CERT presented the **Technical Aspects** of network monitoring and incident response. David Parker of UNIRAS, the government CSIRT in the United Kingdom, presented the module on **Operational Issues** involved in running a security response team. Don Stikvoort, co-founder and managing director of the Dutch company STELVIO, presented the **Organisational Aspects** of starting and running a security incident response team. Logistics support and networking facilities were provided by TERENA's Karel Vietsch, Carol de Groot and Dick Visser

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