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(DE) Cyber and Information Domain Coordination Centre (CIDCC)

(established in November 2019)

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Cyber and Information Domain Coordination Centre has the aim to support planning & conduct of EU missions and operations with CID capabilities (supporting role), plan and conduct EU CID Ops (supported role) and enhance overall EU CSDP resiliency.

In coordination with the pMS it will develop a product and performance catalogue of information products for operational planning of EU missions and operations which will continuously be updated by pMS. The aim of the CIDCC is to:

- Provide up to date information products for planning of EU missions and operations at the operational level (MPCC, OHQs, EUMS, CPCC and potentially JCU);
- Provide assessments and evaluations for operational planning of EU missions and operations to MPCC (also OHQs, EUMS, and CPCC);
- Correlate incidents across several EU missions and operations.

The Cyber and Information Domain (CID) integrates Cyberspace, the electromagnetic environment and the cognitive environment.

OBJECTIVES/PRODUCTS

The objective of this PESCO project is to prototype a CIDCC capability as basis for a potentially future permanent multinational military element where each nation will retain sovereign decision-making power, choosing on a case-by-case basis which threats, incidents, or operations they will contribute resources or information to.

The project aligns with the European Parliament resolution of June 13, 2018 on cyber defense and supports the establishment of an EU CDCC as called for in the EU Policy on Cyber Defence of November 10, 2022. It aims to:

- Provide a proof of concept during its Initial Operational Capability (IOC) phase.
- Facilitate the transition of the CIDCC into a permanent EU capability.

This structure allows for ongoing collaboration while respecting national sovereignty in decision-making about specific contributions to cyber defence efforts.

INDICATORS

Project Execution Year (PEY) and Project Completion Year (PCY):





DE, FR, HU, NL



AT, BE, CY, CZ, EE, EL, ES, IE, IT, PL, PT, SK, HR



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INCUBATION
EXECUTION
CLOSING



Contribution to the more binding commitments

Yes



Capability Perspective

EU CDP priority

Enabling capabilities for Cyber Responsive Operations

CARD references

Enhanced Military Mobility



Operational Viewpoint

HICGCyberspace



EDA support



Ad hoc Cat.B support







DELIVERABLES ACHIEVED

- Oct 2020: Initial Concept CIDCC (including Terms of Reference) accepted by pMS
- Apr 2021: Project Office has reached Initial Operational Capability
- Aug 2022 Jan 2023: Update and approval / acceptance of Concept CIDCC including update Terms of Reference.
- Sep Nov 2022: Project Outline EDA AD HOC CATEGORY B PROJECT No. B.PRJ.RT.1247 developed and accepted by EDA Steering Board.
- Nov 2022: EUMC briefing acknowledging PESCO CIDCC as interim solution for EU mil capability shortfalls. Also, EU Policy on Cyber Defence recognizing PESCO CIDCC as a build block for the aspired EU CDCC capability.
- Nov 2023: IOC in Brussels was declared on 22nd November 2023 inside the facilities of the Belgium Royal Military Academy
- Sep 2024: EDA AD HOC CATEGORY B PROJECT signed

CRITERIA FOR SUCCESS

- The EU MS support the need for the capability CIDCC by tasking e.g. MPCC to host the Proof
 of Concept Phase of CIDCC.
- Proof of concept enabled the transition of CIDCC-functions into EU capabilities.
- The EU MS recognized the added value provided by the CIDCC Proof of Concept and decided to establish CIDCC-functions as an EU Council/EU MS funded, standing capability.