Regional Seminar on Cybersecurity Capacity Building

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Speakers and Panellists (further profiles incoming)

Mr. Cédric Grousset



Mr. Cédric Grousset is a Lieutenant in the French Gendarmerie, conducting a screening mission in Western Balkan countries for the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs within a Project implying the creation of a regional capacity building and education center on Cyber (cybersecurity and fight against cybercrime). He counts 27 years military services, a Master degree in International security and Defense, extensive experience in International trainings and cooperation (including 5 years in the Western Balkan region), and educational engineering.

Mr. Mika Kerttunen



D.Soc.Sc. (Pol.), LTC (ret. FI A) Mika Kerttunen is Director, Cyber Policy Institute, adjunct professor in military strategy at the Finnish National Defence University and Member of Board, Swedish Defence University. He is a graduate of the Finnish Military Academy ('86), General Staff Officer Course ('95) and the Royal Norwegian Command and Staff College ('99). Kerttunen studied world politics at the University of Helsinki and analysed in his 2009 dissertation Indian foreign and nuclear policy. Recently, he has been focusing on international cyber diplomacy, cyber norms, national cybersecurity strategies and regional cyber capacity building, especially with the George

C. Marshall Center for European Security Studies and in the ASEAN region. Mika also served as Senior Research Scientist at the Tallinn University of Technology, and has lectured in several Nordic-Baltic Universities and military educational institutions. He has in all educational institutions been involved in programme and course build-up, execution and internal and external evaluations, most notable with the Swedish Higher Education Authority (UKÄ).

Mika's latest publications include an analysis of cyber diplomacy (NUPI, 2018), a normative analysis of 106 national cybersecurity strategies (EU ISS, 2019), a conceptual modelling of stability in cyberspace (NUPI, 2019), a textbook on international cybersecurity (Routledge, 2020) as well as individual chapters e.g. the role defence sector in national cybersecurity and blogposts at EU CyberDirect Directions blog.

Mr. Viktor Varga



Mr. Viktor Varga is a Business Development Manager at Unicom-Telecom, Serbia. He has over 20 years of experience on different IT and cybersecurity related positions.

In the last ten years, he devoted to cybersecurity in different aspects – as an engineer, consultant, architect, and lecturer. His fields of interests include: service and solution design, awareness building, policy, and education.

Dr Venkat Sastry



Dr Sastry is Senior Lecturer in Cranfield Defence and Security and Programme Director for Chevening Cyber Security Fellowship for India (since 2013) and for Western Balkans (since 2019). Dr. Sastry obtained his PhD from the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore. He has worked at the Open University and Plymouth Polytechnic before joining the Royal Military College of Science and thence Cranfield University where he is Head of Applied Mathematics and Scientific Computing. He plays a crucial role in developing Cranfield's links in India, including the partnerships with the Defence Institute of Advanced Technology, Vellore Institute of Technology and Manipal University. He has delivered Britain GREAT Talks in New Delhi, Bengaluru and Ropar.

Dr Sastry research interests include application of intelligent systems and scientific visualization. He is currently delivering guest lectures on Fraud Analytics to Indian School of Business (since 2020). He has successfully supervised four PhD candidates. He is the principal investigator on an ASTRAEA 2 project "Sense and Avoid" (BAE Systems) and principal investigator on "What to do Learners within an m-Learning Environment Need?" (ONRG Grant N62909-10-1-7121) and is Co-Chair on Working Group for Testing and Evaluation, Mobile Learning Environments Project.

Dr Sastry is passionate about e-Assessment and measurement of performance in academic setting; and has been administering diagnostic tests using bespoke software developed at Cranfield University since 2002. He has conceived and organized a two-day conference on E-Assessment in Practice 2008 - 2010.

He organized a two-day conference on "Defence Education for the 21st Century in Chennai, India", jointly with Hindustan University (28-29 November 2011). A second conference in the series, DEFED12 was organized during 23-24 November 2012.

Prof. Pavle Vuletić



Prof. Pavle Vuletić obtained his BSc, MSc and PhD in Computer Systems and Network Architecture from University of Belgrade, School of Electrical Engineering (ETF). He used to work on all positions from network engineer to the deputy director of AMRES, national research and education network where he participated in the establishment of the first national CSIRT team. He is currently the associate professor at the ETF at the Department of Computer Engineering and Information Theory, teaching Data Security, Computer Systems and Network Security, Advanced Computer Networks and Software Defined Networks courses and the head of the Laboratory for Information Security at the ETF. His research interests span from network and systems security, intrusion detection, network and system performance and monitoring to software defined networks and network and systems management.

Dr. Andreja Mihailović



Dr. Andreja Mihailović is a teaching associate at the Faculty of Law of the University of Montenegro. Prior to this position, she worked for a diverse range of organizations, including the Montenegrin Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism, the Directorate of the Democratic Party of Socialists and the Institute for Socially Responsible Business in Montenegro. During her studies, she participated in the regional Moot Court competition on the European Convention on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms and was awarded a number of awards for outstanding success and achievements in her studies, including the plaques of the Aristide Theodorides Foundation and the first award of the Kopaonik Natural Law School for the best article, as well as scholarships for the best students of the Ministry of Education of Montenegro. She was a doctoral researcher at the University of Birmingham (UK) as a holder of the British Scholarship Trust scholarship, where she obtained additional training in data protection and digitalization. She attended numerous seminars organized by the Montenegrin Human Resources Administration of Montenegro, NISPAcee, Institute for Sociological and European Research (ISES, Hungary), University of Tartu (Estonia), Southeast European Dialogue on Internet Governance (SEEDIG Youth School, Moldova), UNESCO, the e-Government summer academy of the Swedish Institute for Young Professionals at the University of Linköping (SEGRID, Sweden), Marie Curie Alumni Association spring school "From Research to Innovation" and the "EU and Legal Reform" summer school (CCSDD Universita di Bologna supported by the Central European Initiative). She participated in several projects aimed to improve corporate social responsibility and cybersecurity in Montenegro and delivered lectures organized by the Chamber of Commerce of Montenegro, the Mediterranean University, the Faculty for European Studies, and the Faculty of the Economics University of Montenegro. She publishes widely on commercial law, environmental law, cybersecurity, and criminal law in prestigious national and international journals. President of Scientific Council of INZA Group, and member of the Scientific Committee of the International GEA Conference, the Lawyers Association of Montenegro and the European Law Institute (ELI).

Ms. Lea Kaspar



Ms. Lea Kaspar is the Executive Director of GLOBAL PARTNERS DIGITAL (GPD), a UK-based organization working to develop a digital environment underpinned by human rights. As Executive Director, she oversees the development and implementation of GPD's vision, ensuring the relevance of its policy agenda and strategy in the evolving geopolitical landscape. Over the last decade, Lea has been leading GPD's pioneering work on facilitating multistakeholder dialogue in Internet-related public policy discussions and advancing the human rights agenda in related international forums and processes, with a particular focus on advancing rights-respecting cybersecurity policy. Since 2014, she has been leading GPD's efforts to support the work of the Freedom Online Coalition, for which GPD performs a secretariat function.

She represents GPD on a number of boards and initiatives: she is a member of the UK Multistakeholder Group on Internet Governance and the co-Lead of the Global Forum on Cyber Expertise (GFCE) Task Force on Strategies and Assessments. Previously, she was the co-Chair of the GFCE Advisory Board (2016-18), a member of the UN CSTD Working Group on Enhanced Cooperation (2016-18), and a member of the Internet Governance Forum Multistakeholder Advisory Group (2015-18). She is a member of the European Council on Foreign Relations.

Mr. Daniel Caduff



Mr. Daniel Caduff is a political scientist and a digital native.

He earned his master's degree at Zurich University, focusing on security-policy. After some years in consulting, he joined the Swiss Federal Office for National Economic Supply in 2014 as a project manager for the Swiss National Cyber Strategy.

Today, Daniel works as the Deputy Head of Secretariat at FONES, leading the cybersecurity team. He focuses on strengthening resilience for critical infrastructure suppliers against cyber risks in a holistic approach.

Daniel is a Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP). He is a member of the Steering Committee for the Swiss National Cyber Strategy and a member of the Industrial Resources and Communications GROUP (IRCSG) at NATO. He contributes regularly to national and international cyber- and security-policy conferences.

Prof. Imre Lendak



Prof. Imre Lendak is an Information Security Architect and an Associate Professor at the Faculty of Technical Sciences, University of Novi Sad, Serbia. He teaches Critical infrastructure security, Applied cryptography, Distributed systems and algorithms and Stream mining. His main research interest is at the intersection of cybersecurity and data science with a special focus on data analytics in the critical infrastructure domain.

He coordinated the Information Security Services Education in Serbia (ISSES) project in the 2017 to 2021 period. The ISSES project was funded via the Erasmus+ Capacity Building in the field of Higher Education (CBHE) instrument by the European Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) of the European Union, and its key goals were to introduce new information security and digital forensics laboratories, study programs and courses at key Serbian higher education institutions. He is a founding member of the Organizing Committee of the Serbian Cybersecurity Challenge (SCC) national competition for university and high school students.

Ms. Eriola Sadiku



Ms. Eriola Sadiku is an expert at the National Authority on Electronic Certification and Cyber Security of Albania. She has completed her bachelor studies in Faculty of Informatics and Master of Business Informatics (MBI) at University of Tirana. She had worked for more than 2 years in the private sector as an IT professional. For more than a year now, she is part of the Incident Management Unit at the National Authority on Electronic Certification and Cyber Security of Albania.

Ms. Anxhela Brahimi



Ms. Brahimi is an expert in the Accreditation and Policy Sector at the National Authority on Electronic Certification and Cyber Security of Albania.

She graduated from the Faculty of Law, University of Tirana (bachelor 2013-2016). She holds a master's degree in Civil Law (2016-2018) and has a licence from Albanian Chamber of Advocacy. Prior to joining the National Authority on Electronic Certification and Cyber Security of Albania, Ms. Brahimi worked as a legal expert at the Ministry of Justice, during the period of 2019-2020. She has participated in several trainings and workshops on cybersecurity and cybersecurity training issues.

Ms. Leonora Hasani



Leonora Hasani is a Senior Official for Information Technology at the Department for Post Telecommunications and ICT, Ministry of Economy since 2018. Working in the Public Sector has given her the opportunity to work on policies, strategies, legislation and projects towards improving the ICT Sector in Kosovo. Strengthening Cybersecurity at a national level has been a focal point of

her work where she has collaborated with different international partners such as the World Bank and Korea Internet and Security Agency (KISA) for conducting assessments and seminars on cybersecurity. Her latest work includes collaboration on the initiative for the foundation of Energy Cert supported by DCAF.