



## **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**between**

**NATIONAL AUTHORITY ON ELECTRONIC CERTIFICATION AND CYBER SECURITY**

**NATIONAL AGENCY FOR INFORMATION SOCIETY**

**FOR THE ALBANIAN REPUBLIC**

**and**

**ROMANIAN COMPUTER SECURITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM  
FOR THE RUMANIAN REPUBLIC**

National Authority on Electronic Certification and Cyber Security (NAECCS), National Agency for Information Society (NAIS) of the Albania Republic and Romanian National Computer Security Incident Response Team (CERT-RO),

hereinafter referred to as the "Parties"

*Aware* of the importance of inter - institutional cooperation to improve defense capabilities through the mutual exchange of information on cyber security; and

*Convinced* that this mutual cooperation will result in an effective contribution in this field;

*With Goodwill* to contribute to cooperation through the development of relations between the two institutions;

*Stating their readiness* to undertake activities in the framework of harmonization of legislation and the extension of their mutual cooperation in areas of common interest, thus creating a framework and supporting environment based on equality, non-discrimination, and a balanced rights and obligations;

*Reaffirming* their commitment to contribute constructively and fundamentally to the process of implementing the respective legislation of the two institutions;

Have decided, in pursuit of these objectives, to conclude the following Memorandum of Understanding:

### **Article 1 Purpose**

The Parties will cooperate in key areas to enhance awareness and exchange of information in an open, interoperable, secure, and reliable infrastructure, given priority to cyber security.

Article 2  
Principles and values of cooperation

Both institutions confirm to share the same view with regard to cyber security. Parties commit to work on the principle of reciprocity to assist, cooperate in the field of cyber security, respecting each other's privacy.

Article 3  
The commitments of the parties

The Parties are commit to:

- Cooperate to deal with incidents in cyberspace.
- Exchange experiences in the field of cyber security and create space for participation in international activities in the field.
- Make available training and programs aimed at staff capacity building.
- Identify opportunities for academic exchanges and cooperation in research and development.

Article 4  
Communication between Parties

- The Parties commit to maintain a continuous communication between them and to exchange any information necessary to fulfill their duties. Communication will be done by e-mail.
- The Parties will appoint a contact person with specialized knowledge in the field that will be responsible for the concrete implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding.
- Contact persons from, both sides will be available at any time for communication and coordination of actions with the other party.

Article 5  
Confidentiality of information and legality

- Each Party shall ensure the confidentiality of the information received from the other Party.
- The information received within the framework of this Memorandum of Understanding shall not be disclosed to a third party without the written permission of the Party which has provided this information, unless required by the applicable national laws.
- The parties commit to maintaining legality of all activities carried out under this Memorandum of Understanding and shall inform each other whenever there are any specific national legal or EU legal provisions that would limit or impose certain conditions on the cooperation activities.

Article 6  
Disputes

Disputes concerning the interpretation and implementation of this agreement will be discussed between the Parties through consultations.

Article 7  
Deadline

This Memorandum of Understanding relates to an indefinite term. The agreement can be terminated at any time. The termination shall take effect upon receipt of written notice from the other Party. Until the termination of this Memorandum of Understanding, the Parties shall comply with the obligations arising from this Memorandum of Understanding, with regards to information and documents exchanged before the date of its expiry.

Article 8  
Signature and entry into force

This Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force on the date of signature by the Parties and will be in force until one of the parties shall notify the other Party, in writing, 3 months prior to its completion.

Signed in TIRANA, on 21/11 /2018, in three original copies, in Albanian, Romanian and English, all texts being equally valid. In case of disagreement in interpretation, the English text will have priority.

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