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Conference

Workshop on public-private partnerships

Microsoft support to the Project on Cybercrime

Cooperation against cybercrime

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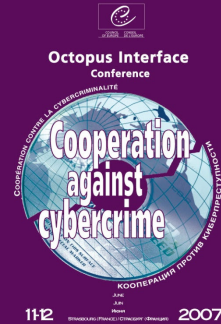
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Background

Octopus Interface 2004 on the challenge of cybercrime

➢ **Industry representatives, including Microsoft, express support to the Convention on Cybercrime**

➢ **Conclusions: Council of Europe to support countries around the world in the development of cybercrime legislation**

➢ **Following the Conference: proposal for the Project on Cybercrime (2005)**

August 2006: Microsoft agrees to co-finance the Project with US$ 250,000 and a further US$ 100,000 in April 2007

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Project on Cybercrime

Objective:

➢ **To promote broad implementation of the Convention on Cybercrime (ETS 185) and its Protocol on Xenophobia and Racism (ETS 189) ➢ 40 + 12 ratifications by February 2009**

Expected results:

1. **Cybercrime legislation in accordance with the Convention on Cybercrime and its Protocol. Draft laws meeting the standards of ETS 185 and 189 available in at least 10 European and 5 non-European countries**

2. **Capacities of criminal justice systems to investigate, prosecute and adjudicate cybercrime**

3. **Capacities of criminal justice bodies to cooperate internationally**

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Activities to date

➢ **Workshops on cybercrime legislation and the Convention on Cybercrime**
➢ **Analyses of (draft) cybercrime laws**
➢ **Advice on the strengthening of cybercrime legislation**
➢ **Contribution to training seminars for prosecutors and law enforcement officers**
➢ **Advice and training on international cooperation, including 24/7 points of contact**
➢ **Octopus Interface Conference on cooperation against cybercrime**
➢ **Cooperation with a wide range of organisations/institutions**

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Activities planned

- ➢ **Workshops to promote the development of cybercrime legislation in line with the Convention around the world**
- ➢ **Workshops to further strengthen cybercrime legislation and criminal justice capacities in countries that have ratified the Convention (focus on implementation issues)**
- ➢ **Analyses/advice/workshops on draft cybercrime laws in any country on request**
- ➢ **Preparation of country profiles on cybercrime legislation (2007)**
- ➢ **In 2008, preparation of**
  - • **a global analysis of cybercrime legislation**
  - • **a situation report on cybercrime and the adequacy of the international response**
  - • **an assessment of the functioning of 24/7 contact points and international cooperation**

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Basis for CoE – Microsoft cooperation

- ➢ **Common interest in cybersecurity and in countries developing a legal framework against cybercrime**
- ➢ **Convention on Cybercrime recognised as a global guideline for such legislation**
- ➢ **Microsoft receiving request for support and relying on the Convention as the model or referring requests to the Council of Europe**
- ➢ **Council of Europe contributing to activities organised by Microsoft**
- ➢ **Workplan agreed upon by Council of Europe and Microsoft**
- ➢ **Pragmatic approach to project implementation: respond to requests and needs in an efficient manner**
- ➢ **No specific conditions attached to the financial contribution from Microsoft**

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Conclusions

➢ **Successful project implementation reaching many countries with limited resources**

➢ **Project used to establish cooperation/synergies with a wide range of organisations and stakeholders**

➢ **Constructive CoE/Microsoft cooperation to date**

➢ **Other donors (public and private) invited to join this project**

➢ **Beyond this project: CoE may now seek stronger cooperation with the private sector**