

# Seminar "Opportunities for EU assistance on cyber capacity building and cybercrime: Examples of EU CyberNet/LAC4 and GLACY+/GLACY-e projects"

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The Embassy and Mission of the Dominican Republic to the European Unión, along with International cyber oriented EU projects EU CyberNet/LAC4 and GLACY+/GLACY-e, is pleased to invite LAC missions to an informal seminar to discuss opportunities for EU assistance in cyber capacity building and cybercrime in the LAC region.

Missions are invited to appoint the officer in charge of cyber related issues to share their experiences with the above-mentioned projects and express further interests of cooperation.

Representatives from EU institutions will also participate in the seminar which is intended to enhance coordination and planning among different projects and initiatives as well as to facilitate the participation of LAC countries.

Participation on the seminar will be in an in-person format at the Embassy and Mission of the Dominican Republic, located at Avenue Louise 251, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 1050 Brussels.

### **Draft agenda**

	Registration and morning coffee
09:00 - 09:10	<b>Opening remarks</b> by H.E. Mr. Iván Ogando Lora, Ambassador of the
	Dominican Republic to the Kingdom of Belgium and to the EU
09:10 - 09:20	DG INTPA updates on the EU-LAC Digital Alliance
09:20 - 09:40	Overview of EU CyberNet/LAC4 programme and activities
09:40 - 10:00	Overview of GLACY+/GLACY-e programme and activities
10:00 - 10:10	Spanish Presidency priorities for the LAC region in the CCB area
	(TBC)
10:10 - 10:30	Experiences from regional hubs
10:30 - 11:00	Informal discussion among participants for further CCB activities and
	requests







# About the projects:

As a specific objective of **EU CyberNet project**, the Latin America and Caribbean Cyber Competence Centre (LAC4) was officially launched in 2022 to enhance cyber capacities in the LAC region through specialized trainings and consultations. With headquarters in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, and virtual hubs in each sub-region, this regional training centre plays a crucial role in promoting the benefits of an open, free and inclusive cyberspace.

LAC4 serves as a training and knowledge hub for sharing expertise in cybersecurity and cybercrime, facilitating practical collaboration between the Latin America and Caribbean region and the EU, as well as other like-minded partners. EU CyberNet has already carried out around 50 training events at the LAC4.

- **GLACY+** is a Joint project of the European Union (Instrument Contributing to Peace and Stability) and the Council of Europe and is intended to extend the experience of the GLACY Project (2013 – 2016) and currently supports nineteen priority and hub countries in Africa, Asia-Pacific and Latin America and the Caribbean regions in order to strengthen the capacities of States worldwide to apply legislation on cybercrime and electronic evidence and enhance their abilities for effective international cooperation in this area.
- GLACY-e is a Joint project of the European Union (Peace, Stability and Conflict Prevention Thematic Programme of the NDICI-Global Europe) and the Council of Europe and is intended as an extension of the current GLACY+ project (2017 - Feb 2024). It focuses on the strengthening capacities of States worldwide to apply legislation on cybercrime and electronic evidence, and to enhance their abilities for effective international cooperation in this area and foster south-south cooperation. It is expected to enlarge the number of priority countries of its predecessor to 21 countries and to rely gradually on the 8 regional hubs to lead the capacity building agenda in their regions and foster trans-regional cooperation. In the LAC region, the project has two hub countries: Chile and the Dominican Republic.





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