

ECSO's CISO Community



About ECSO's CISO Community

- The only European cross-sector and cross-country CISO Community that is hosted by a non-profit organisation and privileged partner of the European Commission in developing European Cybersecurity Ecosystem.
- A place for cybersecurity leaders to exchange information, good practices, threat intelligence and to develop common positions of the practitioners in cybersecurity.
- CISOs often struggle to find peers from other European countries. ECSO helps in conveying a unified voice of practitioners towards other stakeholders in cybersecurity.
- Launched in April 2022, ECSO's CISO Community currently hosts 350+ CISOs (or equivalent) from 27 European countries.
- Provides daily discussions on topics of general interest to CISOs with a variety of backgrounds, experience levels and countries.
- The overall goal of the community is to increase the level of trust amongst European CISOs.



Benefits from joining ECSO's CISO Community

- Access to the two Signal Group Chats (ECSO CISO Conversation & ECSO CISO News) and sector-specific chats
- Daily feed on cybersecurity news and vulnerabilities.
- Monthly wrap-up meeting on the most pressing cybersecurity news from European and national perspectives.
- Creation of tools and publishing and dissemination of position papers.
- S Access to annual cross-sector & sector specific physical meetings of the Community Members.
- Privileged access to other ECSO-led activities, i.e. mentorship programmes.
- Interaction with the EU Institutions on policy and legislative priorities (e.g. NIS2, CRA).
- Threat information coordination.
- Ad-hoc coordination meetings on relevant topics: e.g. How to handle Log4J? Relevance of Cyber Resilience Act for the CISOs?
- Access to the webinars and expertise of the Community.
- Other operational or policy initiatives from CISOs.



Criteria for joining ECSO's CISO Community

- Membership in the CISO Community of ECSO is based on individual representation, not corporate affiliation.
- The applicant must be a CISO or linked to the CISO role working on cybersecurity issues (not linked to sales or technical development).
- Both ECSO and Non-ECSO Members may join.
- Applicants working for IT vendor companies must be able to prove that they occupy an internal security function in their company or a position that would not lead to conflict of interest when participating in the chat.
 - The membership of Consultancies is limited to employees being CISO of the company.
- Exceptional approval for participation may be granted to persons working in a role that is sufficiently linked to the CISO role and where no conflict of interest exists.
- If a Community Member changes role and/or company, ECSO must be promptly notified to ensure that the new role adheres to the membership criteria.
 - CISOs must be based in a European country.



From ECSO's last CISO Meetup in October 2022





92.6% satisfaction with the last CISO event.

 \bigcirc 90.6% satisfaction with the networking possibilities.



"Interaction with Attendees and ECSO staff was excellent. All sessions were very engaging. I think the attendee number is just right as it lends itself to have the multiple interactions and meetups."

"Real people with similar problems having discussions on challenges we all face. Similar events usually have too much vendor and product presentations."



Contact details



If you have any additional inquiries, do not hesitate to contact me!