





Harmonizing Cybersecurity Education, Training, and Workforce Development

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Our mission is to make Belgium one of the least vulnerable countries in Europe

This is done thanks to:

> The Belgian National Strategy



 The Active Cyber Protection approach







Building the trust

Sharing the knowledge

Understanding the threat

In 2022, The CCB was designated as national coordination centre for Belgium (NCC-BE)

Its **legal tasks** are the following:

- 1. Coordinating investments from the EU (DEP & HE) incl FSTP;
- 2. Supporting the strategic tasks of the European Competence Centre – national capacity building;
- 3. Acting as a national contact point for the ECCC framework.

Moreover, NCC-BE should serve as a hub for coordination and collaboration among Belgian stakeholders from industry, academia & research community, citizens, the public sector and authorities under NIS.





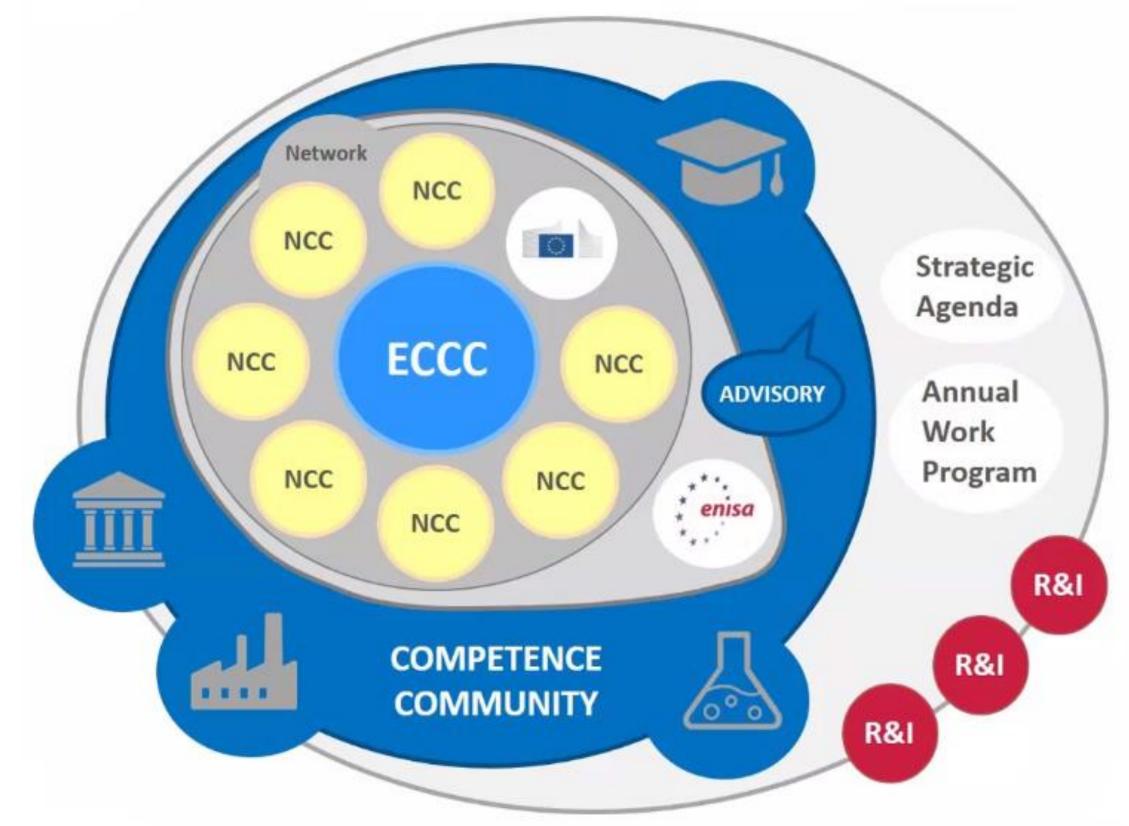




The EU framework on national level

- EU Regulation 2021 (art. 6 2021/887)
- National Coordination Centres:
- Each country: Member and Alternate in the EU Governing Board of the ECCC;

Cybersecurity Competence
Community





Source: ENISA

Skills activities @CCB



Raise awareness on academic cybersecurity education in Belgium



Collaborate with national and European stakeholders in various skills working groups





Prepare a cybersecurity skills strategy





Support new educational initiatives

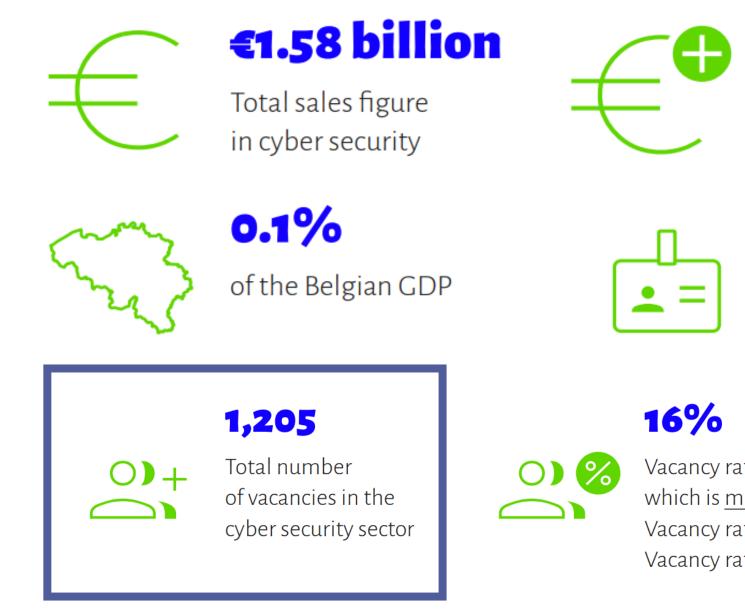


Participate in the European Cybersecurity Challenges

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The Belgian cybersecurity context

441 companies active in cyber security



But... what is a cybersecurity professional?

Whitepaper: First socio-economic study on the cyber security sector in Belgium (2022)







€600 million

Total value added in cyber security



Total employment in cyber security

Vacancy rate cyber security sector which is much higher than: Vacancy rate **Belgian IT sector: 9.1%** Vacancy rate **Belgian economy: 5%**

What is a cybersecurity professional?





Which **profiles** are we missing? What requires our **focus**?









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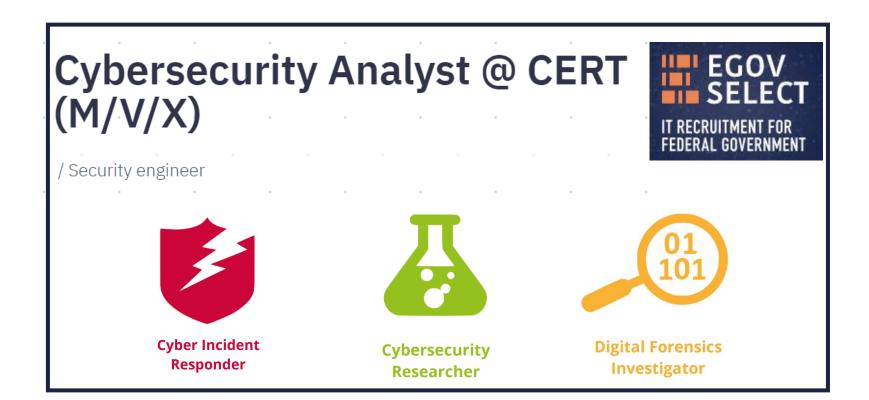








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