



# The EU Cybersecurity Act

## A new mandate for ENISA

ENISA, the [EU Agency for cybersecurity \(https://www.enisa.europa.eu/about-enisa\)](https://www.enisa.europa.eu/about-enisa), is now stronger. The EU Cybersecurity Act grants a permanent mandate to the agency, and gives it more resources and new tasks.

ENISA will have a key role in setting up and maintaining the European cybersecurity certification framework by preparing the technical ground for specific certification schemes. It will be in charge of informing the public on the certification schemes and the issued certificates through a dedicated website.

ENISA is mandated to increase operational cooperation at EU level, helping EU Member States who wish to request it to handle their cybersecurity incidents, and supporting the coordination of the EU in case of large-scale cross-border cyberattacks and crises.

This task builds on ENISA's role as secretariat of the national [Computer Security Incidents Response Teams \(CSIRTs\) Network \(https://www.enisa.europa.eu/topics/csirts-in-europe/csirts-network\)](https://www.enisa.europa.eu/topics/csirts-in-europe/csirts-network), established by the [Directive on security of network and information systems \(https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/policies/nis-directive\)](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/policies/nis-directive) (NIS Directive).

## A European cybersecurity certification framework

The EU Cybersecurity Act introduces an EU-wide cybersecurity certification framework for ICT products, services and processes. Companies doing business in the EU will benefit from having to certify their ICT products, processes and services only once and see their certificates recognised across the European Union.

[More on the certification framework \(https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/policies/cybersecurity-certification-framework\)](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/policies/cybersecurity-certification-framework)

## Targeted amendment

On 18 April 2023, the Commission [proposed a targeted amendment \(https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/news-redirect/784042\)](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/news-redirect/784042) to the EU Cybersecurity Act. This targeted amendment was adopted on **15 January 2025** and aims to enable the future adoption of European certification schemes for 'managed security services' covering areas such as incident response, penetration testing, security audits and consultancy. Certification is key to ensure high level of quality and reliability of these highly critical and sensitive cybersecurity services which assist companies and organisations to prevent, detect, respond to or recover from incidents.

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