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On 8th of June 2021, the European Union has officially published the Regulation (EU) 2021/887 of the European Parliament and of the Council, establishing the European Cybersecurity Industrial, Technology and Research Competence Centre (ECCC) and the Network of National Coordination Centres (NCCs).

The Regulation is binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all EU Member States and covers key aspects like for instance:

- The mission, objectives, and the strategic and the implementation tasks of the ECCC.
- ECCC's Governing Board role in ensuring that ECCC's mission, objectives, identity and autonomy are safeguarded and that its actions are consistent with that mission and those objectives, in an independent and transparent way.
- The management by ECCC of the cybersecurity-related financial support from Horizon Europe, Digital Europe and other programmes where appropriate.
- The Cybersecurity Competence Community and its tasks, and the Strategic Advisory Group to assist ECCC, established from among 20 members representatives of the Community.
- The requirement for nomination of the NCCs by 29 December 2021, by each Member State, etc.

The document provides for the establishment of the ECCC for the period between the date of entry into force of the legislative act and 31st of December 2029.

Romanian authorities, academia, private cybersecurity businesses, startups and experts are looking forward towards the opportunities the ECCC and the NCCs will bring for the entire EU cyber ecosystem.

The ECCC Regulation can be downloaded from this LINK