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TITLE: Cyber Shield 2019

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Europe Regional Initiative:

☐ EUR4: Enhancing trust and confidence in the use of information and communication technologies

Year(s) of implementation:

☐ 2020
☐ 2021

Background [max 300 words]

Cyber Shield 2019 was an international cyber security exercise co-organized by the Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure, and Information and Communications Technologies Authority of Turkey (ICTA), from 19 to 20 December 2019 in Ankara/Turkey. Cyber Shield 2019 was supported by International Telecommunication Union within the framework of the ITU Regional Initiative for Europe on Enhancing Trust and Confidence in the use of ICTs, adopted by the ITU World Telecommunication Development Conference 2017, Buenos Aires. The event offered a unique opportunity to participate in numerous technical activities in cyber security.

The exercise was structured around different scenarios involving most common types of cyber-attacks. Besides, critical infrastructure protection and sophisticated cybersecurity threats that institutions and organizations may face were covered.

19 teams from 17 countries joined the exercise with the main objective:
- to increase incident response capabilities and readiness levels,
- to increase mutual understanding of cyber risks and associated impacts, and
- to ensure a continued collaborative effort among international cyber security stakeholders especially national Computer Emergency Response Teams (CERTs) in order to mitigate cyber threats.

Proposal [max 400 words]

1. Turkey offers to host a new international cyber security exercise in 2020/2021 with the support of ITU.
2. As the national CERT of Turkey, TR-CERT is looking forward to continue close cooperation with its counterparts within ITU and other CERT communities by means of information and expertise sharing.
3. Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure and ICTA will continue to follow, participate and contribute to the ITU's activities and events on cybersecurity.