

**Question for written answer E-005353/2017  
to the Commission**  
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Subject: A centre of excellence for cyber security

Andrus Ansip, Commissioner responsible for the Digital Single Market, recently said that it would be necessary for the European Union to establish a European Centre of Excellence for cyber security certification for technological products, stating that it would be 'even better' to have a network of centres of excellence in Europe.

There already are several agencies which deal with cyber security issues in Europe. Europol runs the European Cybercrime Centre, the European Aviation Safety Agency has a Unit on cyber security in airspace, and there is the European Union Agency for Network and Information Security (ENISA).

Steve Purser, Head of Core Operations at ENISA, feels that there is a lot of competition between European agencies in charge of cyber security.

Can the Commission provide details about the organisation and tasks envisaged for this European Centre of Excellence for cyber security certification for technological products and for this 'network' of centres of excellence in Europe? How would this centre of excellence interact with the other EU agencies in the field of cybercrime?