



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

**For the purpose of
collaboration between
the National Crime Agency
and
Réseaux IP Européens NCC**

The National Crime Agency (NCA)

Represented for the purposes of this Memorandum of Understanding by James Stokley,
Deputy Director of the NCA National Cyber Crime Unit, and hereafter referred to as the
'NCA'

and

Réseaux IP Européens NCC (RIPE NCC)

Represented for the purposes of this Memorandum of Understanding by Axel Pawlik,
Managing Director of the RIPE Network Coordination Centre, hereafter referred to as 'RIPE
NCC'

Have agreed as follows:

1. Objective

- 1.1 The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is to establish a mutual framework for cooperation between the NCA and the RIPE NCC; hereinafter referred to collectively as the 'Participants' or individually as the 'Participant'.
- 1.2 The establishment of a mutual framework for cooperation will facilitate cooperation between the Participants in areas that fall within the scope as outlined in Point 2, with the aim to improve mutual coordination.

2. Scope

- 2.1 The scope of this MoU is limited to the provision of expertise in the area of cybercrime and internet security and collaboration for the improvement of cybercrime investigations. No exchange of personal data shall occur under this MoU.
- 2.2 This MoU does not create legally binding obligations, nor does it supersede any legal obligations of either Participant.

3. Activities

- 3.1 Participants, in accordance with their respective mandates and scope of this MoU, may:
 - a. Engage in joint endeavours related to the scope of this MoU;
 - b. Appoint, upon invitation from the other Participant, a representative(s) of appropriate level and expertise to attend activities and events organised by the other Participant, with the aim to contribute to and support the overall activity/programme related to the scope of this MoU;
 - c. Cooperate with the other Participant in the implementation of activities under this MoU;
 - d. Inform the other Participant with regards to the implementation of their respective mandates in the area of cybercrime;
 - e. Inform the other Participant of programmes of potential interest in order to identify possibilities for joint activities and mutual contributions;
 - f. Conduct consultation meetings upon the request of either Participant, with the aim to evaluate the cooperation's progress and opportunities;
 - g. Deliver capability and capacity training packages for the benefit of the NCA, facilitating more effective use of the RIPE Database and other publicly available resources;

- h. Work to enhance the NCA's involvement in the RIPE community, particularly through participation in RIPE Working Groups and the RIPE Policy Development Process.

4. Practicalities

- 4.1 Each Participant shall be responsible for its own actions and costs associated with this MoU and use of the information exchanged.
- 4.2 Each Participant agrees to take all necessary measures to maintain the confidentiality of the information provided by the other Participant, including where it involves their representatives, employees, sub-contractors and more generally their officers.
- 4.3 Each Participant will respect the name and reputation of the other, and will consult with the other Participant regarding publicity or external reference to the MoU.
- 4.4 The Participants do not intend that any agency or partnership relations be created between them by the MoU and neither Participant may bind the other in any way.
- 4.5 Neither Participant may assign or cede any provisions of the MoU to any other entity without the prior written consent of the other Participant.
- 4.6 Amendments to the MoU shall be mutually agreed upon by exchange of letters between the Participants.

5. Points of Contact

- 5.1 The Participants appoint the following Points of Contact for the realisation of the provisions of this MoU:

NCA
David Cox
Tactical Partnerships

RIPE NCC
Richard Leaning
External Relations

6. Termination

- 6.1 This MoU may be terminated, upon one month's written notification, by either Participant.

7. Entry into force

- 7.1 This MoU shall enter into force on the day of signature by the last Participant.


8. Signatures

8.1 This document is signed in two original copies in the English language.

James Stokley
NCA
Deputy Director

Place and date:

London, 26/03/2019

Signature: 

Axel Pawlik
RIPE NCC
Managing Director

Place and date:

London, 28/03/2019

Signature: 