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Final Conference of CloudCERT European Project to Present Results Achieved

The CloudCERT European Project, which is co-financed by the European Union (E.U.) and whose project consortium is co-ordinated by INTECO, is holding its **Final Conference on 22 November at the Spanish Secretariat of State for Telecommunications and the Information Society (SETSI) in Madrid.** The conference will present the results obtained during the execution of the project (2012 to 2013), demonstrating the CloudCERT platform for sharing cyber-security information that it has produced, as well as the various other deliverables generated by the project.

The CloudCERT Project provides a test-bed environment for the exchange of information on Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) and its security aspects, enabling co-operation and co-ordination of the agents involved so as to manage cyber-risk-critical assets effectively.

The EU has supported this project financially through the specific programme entitled "Prevention, Preparedness and Consequence Management of Terrorism and Other Security-Related Risks", falling within the "Security and Safeguarding Liberties" framework programme.

The project consortium is made up of the National Institute for Communication Technologies (INTECO), a company dependent upon the Ministry of Industry, Energy and Tourism (MINETUR) through the Secretariat of State for Telecommunications and the Information Society (SETSI) (Spain) **as project co-ordinator**, together with the National Centre for Critical Infrastructure Protection (CNPIC) of the Ministry of the Interior (Spain), Indra (Spain), ZANASI and Partners (Italy) , Europe for Business Ltd. (United Kingdom) and the ICSA Foundation (Italy).

Project Results

In its initial phase, the CloudCERT project defined a clear and accurate classification of the information that can be exchanged, techniques for the safe handling of sensitive information and standards for transmission, existing tools for the collection of information, and probable security risks. Priorities were identified for the exchange of information from stakeholders as well as their

readiness to share vital information through a unified platform. Security requirements for the processing, storage and transmission of information, while preserving its integrity and confidentiality, were also identified.

These preliminary studies have allowed the development and implementation of a collaborative tool powered with a shared repository of security threats and risks, allowing stakeholders to exchange information in a secure and co-ordinated manner.

Enhancing Co-operation and Co-ordination on Cyber-Security

The CloudCERT project has enabled the creation of a platform that will assist in minimizing the obstacles in the way of co-operation among PIC operators and protection authorities in Europe. In this way, it has led to the creation of a European security framework for the protection of such infrastructures, resulting in a major impact on the health, safety and welfare of citizens, and on the activities of public authorities.

This conference brings the activities of the project to a conclusion. It is intended to present the results achieved, while at the same time acting as the starting point for future co-operation.

Complete details of this event are available from the website http://cloudcert.european-project.eu/results.php. For further information, please contact the organizing team through the mailbox:

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