
- Call for Participation in Joint-Meetings -

The DG Justice project “Criminal Justice Access to Digital Evidences in the Cloud – LIVE_FORensics” (in short: LIVE_FOR) sets out to investigate the current implementation status of Directive 2014/41/EU within EU member states and best practices for investigations in the Cloud. The adoption of Directive 2014/41/EU on the European Investigation Order (EIO) is considered a milestone for judicial cooperation in criminal matters in the European Union. Besides assessing the Directive’s implementation, the project will also establish training practices for law enforcement in the area of digital forensics, to raise awareness of the new tool provided by the Directive.

Partners of the project are universities and institutes from Belgium (Vrije Universiteit Brussel), Spain (Polytechnic University of Catalonia and Universidad Autónoma de Madrid), Germany (Hochschule Albstadt - Sigmaringen), Czech Republic (Masaryk University) and Slovenia (Jožef Stefan institute).

For the first phase of the project we aim to collect information about:

- major differences among the legislations of the Member States that may influence an implementation delay,

- methods used by member States for seizure and preservation of digital evidences in cyberspace with reflection to the cloud service environment, and

- the needs for education and training among the targeted group in the Criminal justice and cybercrime investigation with reflection on Live forensic.

For this purpose, we are planning a joint-meeting on 24th April 2017 in Brussels. The meeting will involve the participation of approximately 30 experts from different EU countries, such as prosecutors, judges and investigators as well as policy makers involved in the implementation of Directive 2014/41/EU in their country.

We would be delighted, if you or a colleague of yours would be available for the Joint-Meeting. Participants should be or have been involved in cross-border cybercrime investigation as part of their responsibilities and be fluent in English.

There is a limited number of subsided places available to help participants meet the cost of the flights and accommodation. Please indicate in your expression of interest if you would need to be considered for a subsidised place in order to be authorised to attend.

On behalf of LIVE_FOR, we would like to thank you in advance for your collaboration. For more information about the project please visit: http://live-for.eu.
Program:

9:30 - 10:00  Arrival and Coffee
10:00 - 10:15  Welcome Address - Presentation of LIVE_FOR
10:15 - 11:45  Session I:
   - **Keynote** by **Robrecht De Keersmaecker** (Substituut-Procureur-General m.o. at Attorney-General of Antwerp)
   - **Introduction to EIO Directive** by **Cécile Soriano** (Policy Officer at European Commission)

11:45 - 12:00  Coffee Break
12:00 - 13:30  Session II: Group Discussions
13:30 - 14:30  Lunch (Buffet)
14:30 - 16:00  Session III: Panel Discussion - Amending the EIO Directive to address the need for (cross-border) “remote searches” as well as “unilateral data requests to foreign service providers”.
   - **Cai Rüffer** (Public Prosecutor at the Attorney General’s Office)
   - **Catherine Van De Heyning** (Visiting Prof. at Vrije Universiteit Brussel)
   - **Cécile Soriano** (Policy Officer at European Commission)
   - **Els de Busser** (Sen. Researcher and Lecturer at The Hague University of Applied Sciences)
   - **Jennifer Daskal** (Assoc. Prof. at American University Washington College of Law)
   - **Lani Cossette** (Member of Microsoft’s EU Government Affairs Team)

16:00 – 16:30  Closing remarks

When and Where:  Monday, 24th April 2017
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