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"Use and Abuse of Electronic Surveillance"

Bled, Slovenia, 20 to 23 October 2015

AGENDA DRAFT

Monday, 19 October	
	Arrival
20:00	Dinner

Tuesday, 20 October	
08:00	Breakfast
09:00 – 09:45	Welcome and introduction Official welcome and short overview of the workshop aims. Participants and experts introduce themselves and share their expectations for the workshop.
09:45 – 10:30	Session 1: Defining electronic surveillance Presentation and exercise After a short introduction by an expert, the participants try to come to a definition of electronic surveillance: What types of electronic surveillance exist? When are they used and by whom? Is there a difference between surveillance and interception? What has changed for electronic surveillance since the mass-use of ICTs?

10:30 -	Coffee break
10:45	
10:45 –	Session 2: The use of electronic surveillance by law enforcement and intelligence
12:30	agencies in Western Balkan countries
	Lecture and discussion
	An expert introduces the participants to the use of electronic surveillance in a number
	of Western Balkan countries in the context of different national security priorities and
	discusses with them the practical challenges and systemic problems their use might entail.
12:30 –	Lunch
13:30	
13:30 –	Session 3 (1): Principles of European data protection law in relation to electronic
15:00	surveillance and data retention
	Presentation and discussion
	An expert presents the limits of electronic surveillance and data retention as defined
	by the case law of the European Court of Human Rights as well as the EU Data
	Protection Directive and relevant case-law of the European Court of Justice.
15:00 -	Coffee break
15:30	
15:30 -	Session 3 (2): Principles of European data protection law in relation to electronic
16:30	surveillance and data retention
	Exercise
	An exercise to where participants can apply their understanding of European data
	protection law.
17:00 -	Social activity
19:00	
19:30	Dinner

Wednesday, 21 October	
08:00	Breakfast
09:00 -	Session 4 (1) : Regulation, control and oversight of electronic surveillance
10:00	Lecture and discussion
	An expert sets out key principles related to the control and oversight of electronic surveillance. In particular, the different oversight and control actors and their different mandates are explained.
10:00 -	Coffee break
10:15	

10:15 – 12:00	Session 4 (2): Regulation, control and oversight of electronic surveillance in the Western Balkans Panel discussion Experts introduce country case studies with national legislative frameworks on electronic surveillance and their control and oversight and identify together with the participants common gaps in regulation and oversight which can lead to misuse or abuse.
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch
13:00 – 15:00	Session 5: Oversight risk assessment Exercise The participants map oversight and control mechanisms in a number of Western Balkan countries and try to identify risks for effective control and oversight and try to develop solutions.
15:00 – 15:15	Coffee break
15:15 – 16:30	Session 6: Policy briefs Presentation and exercise The participants can ask questions about their policy briefs and receive some advice on improving their draft papers.
19:00	Dinner

Thursday, 22 October	
08:00	Breakfast
09:30 -	Session 7 (1): Simulation exercise
12:30	Exercise
	In a group work exercise the participants simulate a situation where a national government and other relevant stakeholders have to discuss changes to the legal and policy framework on the use of electronic surveillance.
12:30 -	Lunch
13:30	
13:30 -	Session 7 (2): Simulation exercise
15:30	

15:30 –	Coffee break
15:45	
15:45 –	Session 7 (3): Simulation exercise: Debriefing
16:45	
17:00 -	Social activity
19:30	
19:30	Dinner
Friday, 23 October	
08:00	Breakfast
09:00 -	Session 8: Future of use of electronic surveillance in the Western Balkan region
09:45	Presentation
	An expert gives an outlook on the key challenges faced by the countries in the Western Balkan region in the field of special investigative measures.
09:45 -	Session 9: Conclusion: The way forward in the region
11:00	Discussion
	The participants share their concluding views and predictions on the future of the use of electronic surveillance in the countries of the Western Balkans and try to formulate a number of recommendations.
11:00 -	Closing and certificates
11:30	
12:00	Departure