



# EUROPEAN CYBER SECURITY CHALLENGE 2020 - DATES CHANGED

## UPCOMING EUROPEAN CYBER SECURITY CHALLENGE DATES CHANGED FOR 2021 IN PRAGUE

Due to the worldwide pandemic and the lack of visibility regarding its evolution, the ECSC Steering Committee together with the Austrian national planners and the support of the European Agency for Cybersecurity decided to change the dates of the European Cyber Security Challenge 2020 Final scheduled to take place in Vienna this November.

The ECSC Steering Committee considering that the organization of this European event brings together more than 350 young people coming from all over Europe, wants above all to safeguard the health of all participants. Furthermore, to give a fair chance to all and permit each country to continue with the selection process in serenity we decided to amend the age conditions for participation by adding a year in each category.

In light of the above, the 6th edition of the European Cyber Security Challenge will take place in Prague, Czech Republic on 2021.

The annual event brings together top cyber talent from across Europe to network and collaborate, meet with industry-leading organizations and compete against each other to win the ECSC prize. Contestants work on solving security-related challenges on topics including web and network security, mobile security, crypto puzzles, reverse engineering and digital forensics.

### About the European Cyber Security Challenge

The growing need for IT security professionals is widely acknowledged worldwide. To help mitigate this shortage of skills, many countries launched national cybersecurity competitions targeting towards students, university graduates or even non-ICT professionals with a clear aim to find new and young cyber talents and encourage

young people to pursue a career in cyber security. The European Cyber Security Challenge (ECSC) leverages on these competitions by adding a pan-European layer. The European Cyber Security Challenge is an initiative by the European Union Agency for Cybersecurity (ENISA) and Member States and aims at enhancing cybersecurity talent across Europe and connecting high potentials with industry leading organizations.

**NOTES TO EDITORS:**

Further information on participation guidelines and dates of the upcoming Challenge can be found here: [European Cyber Security Challenge](#).

**FOR FURTHER QUERIES:**

Interested to take part in ECSC 2021? In this case, please refer to the interactive map at <https://ecsc.eu/> where you will find the contacts of all national competitions taking place at Europe and contact the respective national competition organiser.

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