



EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
JOINT RESEARCH CENTRE



## **AI AND CYBERSECURITY FOR A TRUSTWORTHY DIGITAL EUROPE: A SCIENCE FOR POLICY PERSPECTIVE**

**A JOINT EVENT ON THE OCCASION OF SIGNATURE OF A MEMORANDUM OF  
UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE JOINT RESEARCH CENTRE OF THE EUROPEAN  
COMMISSION AND THE NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL OF ITALY (CNR)**

**4 JUNE 2026 14:30 – 17:30  
RUE DU CHAMP DE MARS 21, 1050 BRUSSELS**

The event, jointly organised by the Joint Research Centre (JRC) and the National Research Council of Italy (CNR), will address the growing reliance on artificial intelligence and the accompanying cybersecurity challenges facing Europe. A sustainable and secure by design transformation is essential for Europe's future, across all layers of the European digital space, to ensure an inclusive adoption of digital technologies.

The event will address emerging digital technologies, cybersecurity, and their impact on society and the economy. It will showcase the scientific work carried out by the JRC and CNR in AI and cybersecurity marking the signing a new framework agreement between the two institutions.

The CNR-JRC partnership represents a strategic investment in Europe's scientific excellence, fostering robust, evidence-based policies that tackle the most pressing technological challenges. At the same time, it reinforces Italy's role as the host of one of the European Commission's biggest scientific sites, the JRC in Ispra.

The agreement stems from a shared vision to establish an operational dialogue between the two scientific communities with the aim of contributing to the development of European policies based on solid, independent and multidisciplinary scientific evidence.

**To register to the event, click [here](#)**

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## **Agenda**

<b>14:00 – 14:30</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>14:30- 15:15</b>	<b>Keynote speeches</b> Bernard Magenhann, Director-General JRC Andrea Lenzi, President CNR Ambassador Marco Canaparo, Permanent Representation of Italy to the EU Brando Benifei, Member of the European Parliament
<b>15:15-15:30</b>	<b>Signature ceremony of the Memorandum of Understanding between the JRC and CNR</b>
<b>15:30- 16:30</b>	<b>Round Table Discussion</b> <i>Moderator: Francesco Svelto, Vice-President, CNR</i> Jolita Butkeviciene, Director for Innovation in Science and Policymaking, JRC Igor Nai Fovino, Head of Unit Cybersecurity and Digital Technologies, JRC Francesco Saverio Cataliotti, CNR-ISC, Institute for Complex Systems Fabio Martinelli, CNR-ICAR, Institute for high performance computing and networking
<b>16:30 – 17:30</b>	<b>Networking drink</b>