

Maritime Cyber Lab 2026

Interactive Exchange and Co-Creation Lab on Maritime Cyber Security

Brussels, Belgium | 27–28 May 2026

Day 1 – Morning session

The Maritime Cyber Risk Landscape

08:30 – 09:00	Registration
09:00 – 09:30	Opening of the Lab Mr. Sascha Weh, Chief, Division for Peace, Brussels German External Affairs representative Dr. Patrick Verhoeven, Managing Director IAPH
09:30 – 10:15	Session 1: Maritime Cybersecurity Policy and Regulatory Developments and Implications for States Presentation by Mr. Martin Seidel, European Commission DG MOVE (European Commission) <i>🔗 Focus on new EU Ports Strategy on Cybersecurity</i> Presentation by Mr. Juuso Jarviniemi, European Commission DG CNCT (European Commission) <i>🔗 Focus on actual EU Cyber Security Strategy and Policies</i> Presentation by Mr. Matthew Parker, UK Department for Transport (DfT) <i>🔗 Focus on Sovereign national maritime cybersecurity policies and implications</i>
10:15 – 10:30	Session 2: Cyber Attacks from the Threat Actor Perspective Presentation by Mr. Peter Van Eeckhoutte (Ethical hacking researcher, Corelan) <i>🔗 Focus on hacking exposure and how attackers identify new vulnerabilities</i>
10:30 – 10:45	Session 3: Maritime Cybersecurity as a Global Safety Priority Presentation by Mr. Jeremy Greenwood, Head of Maritime Security Section (IMO) <i>🔗 Focus on future maritime IMO Cyber guidelines / regulations</i>
10:45 – 11:15	Group Photo and Coffee Break
11:15 – 11:45	Session 4: Cyber Risk as a Systemic and Financial Risk

Presentation by Mr. Johan Romkes, CISO team Rabobank

Focus on how financial institutions handle cyber incidents

Presentation by Mrs. Simona Sulikova, World Bank

Focus on the financial impact of maritime cyber incidents

11:45 – 12:15

Session 5: Cyber Risk from a Global Shipping Operator Perspective

Presentation by Mrs. Luisa Puccio, European Shipowners | ECSA

Focus on Shipping Association's view on maritime cyber risks

Presentation by representative from a Shipping Line

Focus on maritime cyber risks from a Shipping line's perspective

12:15 – 12:45

Session 6: Operational Cyber Risks in Ports and Maritime Supply Chains

Presentation by Mrs. Chloe Rowland, IAPH

Focus on the Port Association's view on maritime cyber incidents

Presentation by representative from a Seaport/Terminal Operator

Focus on how ports and terminals manage maritime cyber crimes

12:45 – 13:00

Session 7: Financial Impact of Cyber Attacks

Presentation by Mr. Oscar Egerstrom, TT Club (Maritime insurance provider)

Focus on how Insurance Providers treat maritime cyber crimes

13:00 – 14:00

Networking Lunch

Day 1 – Afternoon session

Impact of cyber risks on the maritime ecosystem

14:00 – 15:00

Operational Challenges and Emerging Needs

Presentation by Mr. Nico Vertongen, Port of Antwerp-Bruges - SCOPE Africa

Focus on the need for assistance in ports as maritime critical infrastructures

Presentation by Mrs. Simona Sulikova, World Bank

Focus on mapping global gaps

Presentation by Prof. Nineta Polemi, Piraeus University Greece

Focus on Artificial Intelligence in maritime cybersecurity challenges

Presentation by Prof. Kevin Jones, University of Plymouth

Focus on the most prominent vulnerability factor across the entire maritime sector for cyberattacks

15:00 – 16:00

Interactive Breakout Sessions:

Breakout group 1: Mapping Global Gaps: Where Critical Infrastructure Requires Greater Cyber Resilience

Breakout group 2: The Cost of Vulnerability: Economic and Reputational Impacts of Cyber Risk

Breakout group 3: Future Threats and Academic Perspectives on Systemic Maritime Cyber Risk

16:00 – 16:20

Coffee Break

16:20 – 17:20

Plenary Session: Breakout Feedback and Discussion

Rapporteurs from breakout groups

Plenary discussion

17:20 – 19:00

Networking Reception

UN House

Day 2 – Morning session

Exploring the Way Forward

08:30 – 09:00

Welcome Coffee

09:00 – 10:20

Panel Discussion 1: Strengthening International Cooperation on Maritime Cybersecurity

Moderator : Mr Denys Reva (ISS International Security Studies)

Panel : Mr. Jeremy Greenwood (IMO)

Mr. Johan Romkes, Rabobank (TBC)

Mr. Matthew Parker, UK Department for Transport

Prof. Kevin Jones, University of Plymouth

10:20 – 10:40

Coffee Break

10:40 – 11:40

Panel Discussion 2: Advancing Capacity Development in Maritime Cybersecurity

Moderator : Prof. Vasile Draghici, EU Cybernet

Panel : Mrs. Chloe Rowland, IAPH

Mr. Juuso Jarviniemi, European Commission DG CNCT

Mr. Peter Van Eeckhoutte, Corelan

Panel Member 4 (to be confirmed)

11:40 – 12:00

Final Session: Towards a Roadmap

Mr. Christophe Van Maele, Maritime Governance Coordinator, UNITAR

 *Key outcomes from the 2-day Maritime Cybersecurity Lab discussions*

12:00 – 12:10

Closing Remarks

Mr. Sascha Weh, Chief, Division for Peace, Brussels

12:10 – 14:00

Networking Lunch

UN House