

# 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

<b>08:30 – 09:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>09:00 – 09:20</b>	<b>Opening of the Lab</b>  Mr. Sascha Weh, Chief, Division for Peace, Brussels UNITAR  Mr. Marcus Ohm, representative German External Affairs  Dr. Patrick Verhoeven, Managing Director – International Association of Ports and Harbours (IAPH)
<b>09:20 – 09:30</b>	<b>Practical Briefing and Coordination of Sessions</b> Mr. Christophe Van Maele, Maritime Governance Coordinator, UNITAR
<b>09:30 – 10:15</b>	<b>Session 1: Maritime Cybersecurity Policy and Regulatory Developments and Implications for States</b>  Presentation by Mr. Juuso Jarviniemi, Policy Officer, European Commission DG CNCT (European Commission) <i>🔗 Focus on actual EU Cyber Security Strategy and Policies</i>  Presentation by Mr. Matthew Parker, Head of Maritime Autonomy, Cyber and Shipping, Department for Transport (DfT), United Kingdom <i>🔗 Focus on Sovereign national maritime cybersecurity policies and implications</i>  Presentation by Mrs Joke Bamps, Policy Officer, European Commission DG MOVE (European Commission) <i>🔗 Focus on new EU Ports Strategy on Cybersecurity</i>
<b>10:15 – 10:30</b>	<b>Session 2: Cyber Attacks from the Threat Actor Perspective</b>  Presentation by Mr. Peter Van Eeckhoutte, Ethical hacking researcher, Corelan <i>🔗 Focus on hacking exposure and how attackers identify new vulnerabilities</i>

<b>10:30 – 10:45</b>	<p><b>Session 3: Maritime Cybersecurity as a Global Safety Priority</b></p> <p>Presentation by Mr. Jeremy Greenwood, Head of Maritime Security Section (IMO)  <i>🔗 Focus on future maritime IMO Cyber guidelines / regulations</i></p>
<b>10:45 – 11:15</b>	<p><b>Group Photo and Coffee Break</b></p>
<b>11:15 – 11:45</b>	<p><b>Session 4: Cyber Risk as a Systemic and Financial Risk</b></p> <p>Presentation by Mr. Johan Romkes, Cyber Threat Intelligence team lead, Rabobank  <i>🔗 Focus on how financial institutions handle cyber incidents as a sector</i></p> <p>Presentation by Dr. Simona Sulikova, Maritime Transport Consultant, World Bank  <i>🔗 Focus on the financial impact of maritime cyber incidents</i></p>
<b>11:45 – 12:15</b>	<p><b>Session 5: Cyber Risk from a Global Shipping Operator Perspective</b></p> <p>Presentation by Mrs. Luisa Puccio, Senior Director Shipping Policy &amp; Communications at European Shipowners   ECSA  <i>🔗 Focus on Shipping Association's view on maritime cyber risks</i></p> <p>Presentation by Mr. Jungo Shibata, Maritime Security Operations Centre Manager, NYK Group  <i>🔗 Focus on maritime cyber risks from a Shipping line's perspective</i></p>
<b>12:15 – 12:45</b>	<p><b>Session 6: Operational Cyber Risks in Ports and Maritime Supply Chains</b></p> <p>Presentation by Mrs. Chloe Rowland, IAPH  <i>🔗 Focus on the Port Association's view on maritime cyber incidents</i></p> <p>Presentation by Mr. Zygmunt Gorszczyński, CISO, Port of Gdansk  <i>🔗 Focus on how ports and terminals manage maritime cyber crimes</i></p>
<b>12:45 – 13:00</b>	<p><b>Session 7: Financial Impact of Cyber Attacks</b></p> <p>Presentation by Mr. Oscar Egerstrom, Underwriter Transport &amp; Logistics, Ports &amp; Terminals, Container Risks, Digital Lead @ TT Club, Director @ Thomas Miller  <i>🔗 Focus on how Insurance Providers treat maritime cybercrimes: "A case study: a port operator's insurance claim at the crossroads of cyber and traditional crime"</i></p>
<b>13:00 – 14:00</b>	<p><b>Networking Lunch</b></p>

## Day 1 – Afternoon session

### Impact of cyber risks on the maritime ecosystem

<b>14:00 – 15:00</b>	<b>Operational Challenges and Emerging Needs</b>  Presentation by Mr. Nico Vertongen, Technical Director, SCOPE Africa (EU Project) <i>🔗 Focus on the need for assistance in ports as maritime critical infrastructures</i>  Presentation by Dr. Simona Sulikova, Maritime Transport Consultant, World Bank <i>🔗 Focus on mapping global gaps</i>  Presentation by Prof. Nineta Polemi, University of Piraeus / trustilio BV. <i>🔗 Focus on Artificial Intelligence in maritime cybersecurity challenges</i>  Presentation by Prof. Kevin Jones, University of Plymouth <i>🔗 Focus on the most prominent vulnerability factor across the entire maritime sector for cyberattacks</i>
<b>15:00 – 16:00</b>	<b>Interactive Breakout Sessions:</b>  <b>Breakout group 1:</b> Mapping Global Gaps: Where Critical Infrastructure Requires Greater Cyber Resilience Moderator: Mr Denys Reva, Researcher, ISS Institute for Security Studies Rapporteur:  <b>Breakout group 2:</b> The Cost of Vulnerability: Economic and Reputational Impacts of Cyber Risk Moderator: Mr. Jimmy Cams, Manager IT Risk Governance & IT Processes, KBC Group Rapporteur:  <b>Breakout group 3:</b> Future Threats and Academic Perspectives on Systemic Maritime Cyber Risk Moderator: Prof. Nineta Polemi, University of Piraeus / trustilio BV. Rapporteur:
<b>16:00 – 16:20</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>16:20 – 17:20</b>	<b>Plenary Session: Breakout Feedback and Discussion</b>  Rapporteurs from breakout groups  Plenary discussion
<b>17:20 – 19:00</b>	<b>Networking Reception</b>  UN House

**Day 2 – Morning session**  
**Exploring the Way Forward**

<b>08:30 – 09:00</b>	<b>Welcome Coffee</b>
<b>09:00 – 10:20</b>	<p><b>Panel Discussion 1: Strengthening International Cooperation on Maritime Cybersecurity</b></p> <p>Moderator : Mr Denys Reva, Researcher, ISS Institute for Security Studies</p> <p>Panel : Mr. Jeremy Greenwood, IMO</p> <p>Mr. Johan Romkes, Rabobank</p> <p>Mr. Jimmy Cams, Manager IT Risk Governance &amp; IT Processes, KBC Group</p> <p>Mr. Matthew Parker, UK Department for Transport</p> <p>Prof. Kevin Jones, University of Plymouth</p>
<b>10:20 – 10:40</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>10:40 – 11:40</b>	<p><b>Panel Discussion 2: Advancing Capacity Development in Maritime Cybersecurity</b></p> <p>Moderator : Prof. Vasile Draghici, EU Cybernet</p> <p>Panel : Mrs. Chloe Rowland, International Association of Ports and Harbors (IAPH)</p> <p>Mr. Juuso Jarviniemi, European Commission DG CNCT</p> <p>Mr. Peter Van Eeckhoutte, Corelan</p> <p>Mr. Serguei Ouattara, Co-Founder &amp; Senior Advisor, EU-Africa Chamber of Commerce</p>
<b>11:40 – 12:00</b>	<p><b>Final Session: Towards a Roadmap for Security in the Maritime Supply Chain Industry</b></p> <p>Mr. Christophe Van Maele, Maritime Governance Coordinator, UNITAR</p> <p><i>🔗 Key outcomes and next steps</i></p>
<b>12:00 – 12:10</b>	<p><b>Closing Remarks</b></p> <p>Mr. Sascha Weh, Chief, Division for Peace, Brussels</p>
<b>12:10 – 14:00</b>	<p><b>Networking Lunch</b></p> <p>UN House</p>