



SECURE Dissemination Day Rome

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SECURE 1st Dissemination Day - Rome & online

Join the **SECURE 1st Dissemination Day** in **Rome or online** to explore how European mSMEs can strengthen their cybersecurity posture and prepare for the implementation of the **Cyber Resilience Act (CRA)**.

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EU Parliament Office in Rome, Piazza Venezia 11

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Why to attend?

The **Cyber Resilience Act** represents a major milestone in the EU cybersecurity regulatory framework, introducing horizontal cybersecurity requirements for products with digital elements throughout their lifecycle.

For many **micro, small- and medium-sized enterprises**, especially in manufacturing and technology-intensive sectors, the CRA represents both a **regulatory challenge** and an **opportunity** to strengthen resilience, trust and competitiveness.

The **SECURE project** contributes to this transition by supporting **European and EEA mSMEs** in understanding CRA requirements and adopting a security-by-design approach, through guidance, training, practical tools and funding.

This first dissemination event brings together **SMEs, industry associations, policymakers, cybersecurity experts and competence centres** to:

- Provide an overview of the policy **background and objectives of the CRA**
- Discuss the **practical implications of the CRA for mSMEs**, including **challenges and opportunities**
- **Present the SECURE project** and its contribution to CRA implementation
- Introduce the project's support framework, including **CRA guidelines** and its **first Open Call for proposals**
- Facilitate dialogue between institutions, industry and technical experts



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Agenda

09:30 – 10:00	Welcome coffee and registration
	Institutional Session & Official Opening
	<p><i>European Parliament</i> <i>European Commission</i> <i>ECCC</i></p> <p><i>ACN – Luca Nicoletti, Head of Industrial, Technological and Research Unit (ACN) and Head of the NCC-IT</i> <i>Cyber 4.0 – Paolo Spagnoletti, President of Cyber 4.0 & full professor at Luiss Guido Carli University</i></p>
10:00 – 10:30	
10:30 – 11:15	<p>Roundtable: Manufacturing mSMEs Between Cyber Threats and Regulatory Compliance, Benefits and Impacts of the CRA</p> <p><i>Assolombarda</i> <i>Unindustria / Confindustria</i> <i>PIA (Plattform Industrie 4.0) - Stefanie Werderits, Project Manager & Policy Advisor</i> <i>INCIBE – Beatriz Garcia Del Pozo, Head of Regulation and Information Security Management</i> <i>CIM Competence Center, Paolo Brizzi</i> <i>MADE Competence Center / BIREX Competence Center</i></p>
11:15 – 11:30	Coffee Break
11:30 – 12:30	<p>The SECURE project</p> <p>SECURE Project</p> <p><i>ACN – Danilo D'Elia - Deputy Head of Division Industrial and technological projects</i></p> <p>CRA GUIDELINES</p> <p><i>CCB (NCC Belgium) – Strelle Yves, Senior Program/Project Manager [Remote]</i> <i>NASK Poland - Szymon Barszczewski, Cybersecurity Certification Specialist [Remote]</i></p> <p>1st Open Call –</p> <p><i>Cyber 4.0 - Alessandro Calabrese, Head of Advisory And Training</i></p> <p>Open Call Platform</p> <p><i>IdeaRe - Alberto Garinei, CTO</i></p>
12:30 – 12:40	<p>CyberShot Lab</p> <p><i>A Practical Approach to CRA Compliance, the joint lab by Cyber 4.0 and UCBM, showcases how OT products can be tested in realistic environments to ensure compliance with the Cyber Resilience Act - UCBM</i></p>
12:40 – 13:00	Q&A and Closing Remarks
13:00 – 14:00	<p>Light Lunch</p> <p>Meet the Experts - SECURE's partners will be at your disposal to answer your questions</p>



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About the SECURE Project

The SECURE project, coordinated by the **Italian National Cybersecurity Coordination Centre (Agenzia per la Cybersicurezza Nazionale - ACN)** and involving partners from seven EU countries, is part of the **EU Digital Europe Programme**, financed by the European Commission and managed by the **European Cybersecurity Competence Centre (ECCC)**. The project is falling under the call "DIGITAL-ECCC-2024-DEPLOY-CYBER-06 (Deployment Actions in the area of Cybersecurity)" and focuses on strengthening the cybersecurity capabilities of European SMEs, in line with the requirements of the Cyber Resilience Act (CRA). **The SECURE project provides mSMEs with guidance, trainings, resources and financial support through the launch of at least two open calls.** The first Open Call for proposals runs from **28 January to 29 March 2026**.

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