October 2015 is Cyber Security Month. Several events and activities are organized by ENISA, the European Network and Information Security Agency, in cooperation with organizations in the Member States. CECUA is a European Cyber Security Month Partner and urges you to support the raising of Cyber Security awareness wherever and whenever you can. Please read more on [www.cecua.eu](http://www.cecua.eu)

October is a European Cyber Security Month to raise everybody’s awareness of what is commonly called computer security. Also what was commonly called virus attacks is now called cyberattacks. Those attacks have become so common and increasingly sophisticated that nobody can afford to disregard the issue of cyber security. The general message is:

**Cyber security is a shared responsibility! STOP.THINK.CONNECT**

Unfortunately too many people disregard cyber security issues, according to some estimates only 10% of people take it seriously, the rest 90% are not interested or take it for granted. And taking it for granted is exactly what the ECSM is trying to reverse. Cyber Security unlike water and electricity cannot be taken for granted. **Everybody has to practice self-defense.** Else it will not work. The ECSM [https://cybersecuritymonth.eu/](https://cybersecuritymonth.eu/) is organized by European Union Agency for Network and Information Security for short ENISA [https://www.enisa.europa.eu/](https://www.enisa.europa.eu/) located in Crete Greece. CECUA is an ECSM Partner and presents a series of activities in its support.

CECUA has always stood for computer security or now Network and Information Security. An Internet of Trust and Confidence has been a keyword for CECUA since the beginning of the Internet and has developed into being a utility for everybody’s use. This has becoming increasingly important with the new Internet of things where almost everything
including fridges, freezers, washing machines, dryers, heating and cooling and more are hooked onto the Internet and controlled through it. A breech of security will hit the whole household when the washing machine continues and continues to wash or the fridge reports it is full although empty and so on. CECUA supported the establishing of the dot eu (European Registry for Internet Domains http://eurid.eu/) and is a member of EURid and is represented on the EURid Strategic Committee. Also through its membership in EIF (European Internet Forum https://www.eifonline.org/) CECUA has focused on citizens and users concerns including strong support for security issues.

Information and Network security has never been more important than now. CECUA urges you to support Network and Information Security including the ECSM activities now in progress in your member states. Also to advocate and support Network and Information Security wherever and whenever you can. ENISA alone cannot do it but together we can get it moving. Any comments from you as always are more than welcome. Thanking you in advance

I remain,

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