

## EU-HYBNET 4th Annual Workshop #AW2024



**Valencia Local Police  
HQ, Valencia, Spain**



**09.00-15.00 CET**

*The EU-HYBNET Annual Workshop presents the project's 4<sup>th</sup> year findings and focuses on new innovations and networking. The event is addressed to the EU-HYBNET network members and pan-European stakeholders; the event includes presentations from policy makers, security practitioners, industry, SMEs, academia and NGOs.*

The EU-HYBNET consortium will hold its 4th Annual Workshop (#AW2024) on 24 April 2024 in Valencia, Spain

The programme includes high-level keynote speeches, a presentation of the project results and network activities from the third project year. Additionally, the workshop will host a handful of presenters and European projects introducing their **innovations to counter hybrid threats to present identified needs.**

**Who?** The workshop is open to **project partners, network members and external participants** upon registration. The event aims at boosting cross-fertilization between the EU-HYBNET project activities, **other EU projects and institutional and industrial operators.**

**When?** The event will be held on the **24th of April 2024 from 09.00-15.00 CET**

**Where?** Valencia Local Police Headquarters, Avenida del Cid / Avinguda del Cid 37, Valencia, Spain. Please prepare to show your ID when entering the premises.

**Registration:** Open online until 30 March 2024.

**More information:** Contact the event host at [proyectosplv@valencia.es](mailto:proyectosplv@valencia.es)

# 4th EU-HYBNET Annual Workshop:

Wednesday, 24 April 2024 | 09:00 – 15:00 CET

At the Valencia Local Police Headquarters, Avenida del Cid / Avinguda del Cid 37, Valencia, Spain

Time CET	Topic	Speakers
<b>Welcome and registration</b>		
8:30-9:00	Registration	
9:00-9:10	Welcome & Practical information	José L. Diego, Inspector, Head of Innovation & Project Management Division, PLV  Päivi Mattila, EU-HYBNET Coordinator, Laurea
9:10-9:20	Keynote Speech “From analysis to (re)action – a framework for networked defence”	Chiara Pacenti Information Systems Officer European External Action Service (EEAS)/ Strategic Communications and Information Analysis
9:20-9:30	Keynote Speech “The EU approach to countering hybrid threats”	Torben Fell, Policy Officer EEAS/SECDEFPOL.2, Hybrid Threats and Cyber, Hybrid Threats Sector
9:30-9:40	Keynote Speech “European elections 2024 and hybrid threats”	Manuel Rodríguez Vico Director for Technologies and Information, DG SAFE – European Parliament
9:40-10:10	Audience Q&A	<b>Host:</b> José L. Diego, PLV
<b>EU-HYBNET’s latest findings and results</b>		
10:10-11:10	Round Table Discussion on “EU-HYBNET 4 <sup>th</sup> year findings and results to counter hybrid threats” – topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Findings on present pan-European security practitioners’ gaps&amp;needs/ threats to counter hybrid threats”</li> <li>• “Identified promising innovations to counter hybrid threats”</li> <li>• “Innovation uptake recommendations”</li> </ul>	<b>EU-HYBNET Consortium:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hanne Dumur-Laanila, Analyst, Reseach &amp; Analyses, European Center of Excellence for Countering Hybrid Threats</li> <li>- Evaldas Bruze, L3CE</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>“EU-HYBNET Network activities and sustainability”</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Souzanna Sofou, Senior Research and Innovation Manager, Satways</li> <li>Julien Theron, Researcher in Hybrid Threats, Joint Research Centre (JRC)</li> <li>Päivi Mattila, EU-HYBNET Coordinator, Laurea</li> </ul>
11.10-11:20	Audience Q&A	<b>Hosts:</b> Tiina Haapanen, EU-HYBNET Project Manager, Laurea  Iván Luis Martínez Villanueva, Project Manager at the Innovation & Project Management Division, PLV
11:20-11:50	<b>Coffee break</b>	
<b>Pitches</b>		
<b>Innovations and solutions to counter hybrid threats by organizations and projects</b>		
11:50-12:00	Denial-of-service/DDOS / attack on infrastructures critical to population livelihood - Pitch	Marios Thoma, Director, CyberEcoCul Global Services
12:00-12:10	Smart City -Pitch	Marina Galiano Botella, CSIRT-CV
12:10-12:20	Resilience Assessment Tool (R/VAT) -Pitch	Vazha Sopromadze, The University of Georgia Security, Policy and Nationalism Center
12:20-12:30	Understanding the financing of disinformation campaigns: ATENEA and other tools for tracking hybrid threats - Pitch	David Arroyo, The Spanish National Research Council
12:30-12:40	“European Knowledge Hub and Policy Testbed for Critical Infrastructure Protection” (EU-CIP), Horizon project	EU-CIP coordinator Emilia Gugliandolo, Senior Researcher, ENGINEERING
12:40-12:50	“Toward Sustainable Foresight Capabilities for Increased Civil Security” (AHEAD), Horizon project	Laure Brévignon-Dodin, Head of Office, Directorate for International Security Cooperation, Ministry of the Interior in France
12:50-13:00	“Gaming Ecosystem as a Multi-Layered Security Threat” (GEMS), Horizon project	Bledar Feta, Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy
13:00-13:10	“Protecting our strategic Assets, Values and Economy against harmful Disinformation” (PAVED) project, initiative of France	Frederic Tatout, Anatase; Anne-Marie Duval, Ministry of Ecological Transition in France
13:10-13:40	Audience Q&A	<b>Host:</b> Isto Mattila, EU-HYBNET Innovation Manager, Laurea
13:40-13:50	Closing remarks	José L. Diego, PLV
13:50-15:00	<b>Lunch</b>	
15.00-16.30	<b>EU-HYBNET General Assembly</b> <i>EU-HYBNET Consortium partners only</i>	

## Speaker bios and project descriptions

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### Biography

#### **Anne-Marie Duval**

Anne-Marie Duval worked for 20 years as geophysicist in the field of seismic risk. Then, as deputy director for the activities of research, she helped build an institution with national expertise in all areas of the ecological transition. Today, she is part of a ministerial department that prepares and manages crises in technical sectors such as energy, transport, water or natural and technological hazards.

#### **Bledar Feta**

Bledar Feta, IR Specialist & P/CVE Researcher, GEMS Research Team, ELIAMEP Bledar Feta is a PhD candidate in International Relations at the University of Macedonia in Thessaloniki, Greece and a P/CVE Researcher on the South-East Europe Programme of the Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP), a think tank based in Athens. He is a member of ELIAMEP's Horizon 2020 PAVE and Horizon Europe GEMS projects' research teams. A significant part of his research portfolio is dedicated to violent extremism and radicalisation, and the role that online spaces play in (de)radicalisation processes. He has extensive experience in identifying and analysing online extremist contents/narratives and a deep understanding of the online and offline recruitment methods used by extremist groups. Bledar is also skilled in the design and implementation of counter-messaging campaigns that seek to fight extremist propaganda. He also provides consultancy services as a subjectmatter expert in the field of radicalisation for different organisations, global analysis and advisory firms, governments, international organisations and private companies, such as the Moonshot CVE and the Radicalisation Awareness Network (RAN). Bledar Feta holds a Master of Arts (M.A) in Political Science from the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, and a Bachelor of Arts (B.A) in International and European Studies from the University of Piraeus where he graduated with a first-class honors degree as the first departments' graduate in 2009. Twitter: @see-eliamep

#### **Chiara Pacenti**

Chiara Pacenti is a Data Analyst in the Information Analysis, Open Source, and Data Strategy Team at the European External Action Service's Strategic Communications Division. She is currently working on analytical projects aimed at improving a common framework and methodology to collect evidence on foreign information manipulation and interference (FIMI). Previously she worked for the spokesperson's service of the European Parliament on data-driven projects related to the fight against disinformation, awareness raising and media literacy.

#### **David Arroyo**

Dr. David Arroyo is Tenured Scientist in the Institute of Physical and Information Technologies (ITEFI) of the Spanish National Research Council (CSIC). He has a MSc in Telecommunication Engineering from the

University of Seville (Spain) and a PhD in Physics of Complex Systems from the Polytechnic University of Madrid. His research focuses on cryptography, information security and privacy, disinformation. David is member of the Forum against Disinformation Campaigns in the field of National Security of the Spanish Department of Homeland Security. Dr. Arroyo's research on "Understanding the financing of disinformation campaigns: ATENEA and other tools for tracking hybrid threats" is conducted with a team. Team members are:

- Dr Sara Degli-Esposti is Research Scientist in Ethics and AI in the Institute of Philosophy of the Spanish National Research Council (CSIC).
- Dr Carlos Galán Cordero is Adjunct Professor in the Double Degree in International Relations & Security of Carlos III University of Madrid.
- Javier Valencia Martínez de Antoñana is the CEO of LYRA engineering & consulting and Adjunct Professor at Nebrija University in Madrid.

### **Emilia Gugliandolo**

Mrs. Emilia Gugliandolo (female) graduated as Doctor with Laude in Management Engineering from the University of Salento (Lecce, Italy). Currently she is working as Project Manager in the Data & Analytics R&I Lab at Engineering Ingegneria Informatica S.p.A. as part of Decision Support Systems unit. She deals with Security, Intelligent Systems & Internet of Things, Big Data Analytics & Business Intelligence, and Social Business.

Since 2015, she has focused her expertise in the Disaster Resilience and Critical Infrastructure Protection domains, being involved in numerous H2020 and HEU projects dealing with Security, Critical Infrastructure Protection and Disaster Resilience: STORM (H2020-DRS-2015), DEFENDER (H2020-CIP-01-2016-2017), FASTER (H2020 - DRS02-2018), 7SHIELD ( H2020-SU-INFRA-2019), ENSURESEC (H2020-SU-INFRA-2019), PRECINCT (H2020-SU-INFRA-2020), RESCUER (H2020-SU-SEC-2020), ATLANTIS (Horizon Europe HORIZON-CL3- 2021-INFRA-01), EU-CIP (Horizon Europe HORIZON-CL3-2021-SSRI-01). She is the EU-CIP Project Coordinator. She is also specialised in the roles of Innovation and Exploitation Manager.

### **Frederic Tatout**

Dr. Eng. Frederic Tatout. Two decades at the service of the ministries in charge of defense and industry, as scientist, technical architect and project manager, emerging technologies evangelist (e.g information security, data protection, IoT) and senior (complex) project manager. Founder of ANATASE, a company active in startup development and digital transformation, with a focus on security and governance

### **Hanne Dumur-Laanila**

Mrs. Hanne Dumur-Laanila works as an analyst at the Hybrid CoE Research and Analysis team. As a part of the Hybrid CoE EU-HYBNET team, she is responsible for coordinating the EU-HYBNET project. Prior to joining Hybrid CoE in October 2022, she worked at the Hanken School of Economics, located in Helsinki, where she supported the planning and coordination of large national and international research projects. She has also worked for the Finnish Defence Forces in various positions. Hanne holds a master's

degree in world politics from the University of Helsinki. In addition, she has studied management at Aalto University and military strategy at the Finnish National Defence University.

### **Isto Mattila**

R&D Director of Laurea University of Applied Sciences, Isto Mattila, has wide working experience covering diverse assignments in different organisations national and international level. He is a Captain Navy, Finnish Border Guard. As from 2008 to 2014 he has worked for the European Commission, DG MARE. He was a second penholder for Maritime Security Strategy and designed new information sharing mechanism (CISE) between maritime authorities in EU, which is now hosted by EMSA. Today he is responsible for R&D activities, mainly in international scale at Laurea. He is also a project coordinator of the AI-ARC Horizon 2020 project, which aims to build information sharing and anomaly detection to Arctic stakeholders.

### **Iván L. Martínez Villanueva**

Mr Iván L. Martínez is a Project Manager at the Innovation & Project Management Division of PLV: Police officer in Valencia Local Police (Spain) since 2002, he studied Agricultural Engineering and Social Work; currently he is studying network systems administration and cybersecurity. In the professional field, he has worked in community policing, patrolling, police headquarters - police data analysis -, Security councillor consultancy and finally in the management of researching projects in the security field, being currently project manager in the R+D division of this LEA. He has managed PLV's participation in 7 H2020 projects over the last 7 years, currently managing 3 projects linked to Domestic Violence, AI, AR, Smart Cities and Hybrid Threats. As a teacher, he has given several training courses in various municipalities in the Valencian Community, especially in subjects related to school bullying, cyberbullying, cybersecurity, new technologies applied to LEAs, social media, etc. In addition, he is teacher at the Valencian police academy (IVASPE) in the Hate Crimes subject.

### **José L. Diego**

José L. Diego is Head of the Innovation and Project Management Division of Valencia Local Police and an expert-evaluator for the European Commission within different initiatives:

- Horizon Europe – Security
- EUROPOL Platform for experts
- DG JUSTICE Research Programmes
- DG HOME Research Programmes
- Radicalisation Awareness Network

He began his career as a consultant at Deloitte, and nowadays is a Police Inspector, Head of Innovation & Project Management in the Valencia Local Police, as well as International Lecturer, OSCE Hate crimes trainer & Liaison officer and also Professor for a Master on Human Resources, for two Masters in Criminology and for the Chiefs' Police Academy as well. He has managed +30 EU projects (including 15 Horizon-Security projects) in matters like R&D, domestic violence, police mediation and training, community policing, forensics, youth offending, crime fighting, road traffic, police management, diversity, emergencies, environmental police, cybercrime, Police ICTs, hybrid threats, AI, AR, smart cities & security, etc. He holds Degrees in Law and in Criminology and a Master in Human Resources Management as well.

### **Julien Théron**

Dr Julien Théron taught at the universities of Budapest (BME), Beirut (USJ, USEK), Paris (Nanterre, Panthéon-Assas). He also collaborated with the French Institute of International Relations (IFRI) and the International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS). He is a former Senior Fellow in European Security of the Norwegian Institute for Defence Studies (IFS). In policy, he worked for the French government (MFA, MoD, INSP) as well as for the European Union (EU) and the United Nations (UN). He is a lecturer in War Studies at Sciences Po's Paris School of International Affairs and a researcher in Hybrid Threats for the European Commission Joint Research Centre (JRC).

### **Laure Brévignon-Dodin**

Laure Brévignon-Dodin is the head of the research & innovation office at the Directorate for International Security Cooperation of the French Ministry of Interior where her work is mainly concerned with fostering police cooperation in innovation. She is part of the coordination team of AHEAD, a HE2022 project concerned with developing a foresight approach to help civil security actors anticipate their capability needs. Prior to joining the French Ministry of Interior in May 2021, Laure worked for 3 years in a consultancy and EU project management company, where she specialised in security and crisis management, and for 13 years as a researcher in innovation systems for the Department of Engineering of the University of Cambridge, UK.

### **Manuel Rodríguez**

Manuel Rodríguez Vico initiated his professional career as Lieutenant in the Guardia Civil after graduating from the military college of Zaragoza in 1992. He is an official of the European Institutions since 2003 where he has been working in different managerial positions in the areas of Justice and Interior and Security. Currently, he is Director for Technologies in Directorate General for Security in the European Parliament, in charge of preventing and combating hybrid threats and providing information and technology solutions in the field of security for Members, parliamentary bodies and services. He holds a degree in Philosophy, a Master in Security and Defence and Ph Doctorate.

### **Marina Galiano Botella**

Biomedical Engineer. Industrial cybersecurity responsible in CSIRT-CV. Experienced in the development of projects and operation of services in the industrial and healthcare fields.

### **Marios Thoma**

Dr. Thoma is a retired military officer, having achieved the rank of Colonel in Signals. He commenced his military career after graduating from the Hellenic Military Academy and joining the National Guard of Cyprus in 1997. He holds a Master of Science degree in communications and computer science from the University of Athens, Greece, and is a graduate of the Hellenic Military School of Signals Officers, specializing in Telecommunications and Electronics. In 2018, he obtained his PhD degree from the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at the University of Cyprus. His doctoral research

focuses on cyberspace defence, particularly on modelling and early detection techniques for cyber attacks, with a specific emphasis on Advanced Persistent Threats (APTs). Throughout his career, Dr. Thoma has amassed significant expertise across various domains such as Information Assurance, Development Security Operations, Cyber Security Engineering, Data Governance and Information Security Management. He has been involved in a multitude of projects, ranging from accrediting Communication Information Systems to crafting Business Continuity and Recovery Plans. Furthermore, his knowledge extends to Hybrid Threats and Space, particularly in conjunction with Cybersecurity. Dr. Thoma has actively participated in strategic, operational, and technical endeavours within both national and EU contexts. Currently, he holds the position of Director at Cyberecocol Global Services, a newly established startup, committed to delivering cybersecurity services spanning research, development and innovation domains.

### **Päivi Mattila**

Dr. Päivi Mattila holds a position of Director of Security Research Program at Laurea University of Applied Sciences (Finland), and she is responsible for quality and growth and strategic goals of security RD activities. Dr. Mattila is the coordinator of EU H2020 funded EU-HYBNET project. She is a Doctor of Philosophy (General History). Formerly she has worked as the head of the Project and Development Unit at the Crisis Management Centre Finland (CMC Finland) and in the Embassy of Finland in Tel Aviv and in the Finnish Institute in the Middle East alike in the Ministry for Foreign Affairs in Finland.

### **Souzanna Sofou**

Dr. Souzanna Sofou, Senior Research and Innovation Manager at Satways Ltd, serves as the EU-Hybnnet WP3 Leader: Surveys to Technology, Research and Innovations. She is a Dipl. Mining and Metallurgical Engineer and a holder of an MBA in Engineering –Economic Systems. With respect to basic research, her Doctoral Thesis and most of her published research work fall in the fields of computational rheology, rheometry and polymer processing. In the area of applied research, she has worked in FP7 & Horizon 2020 projects in various fields, including security, new product development, metallurgy, polymer processing, RET modelling, software development and value management. She also has background and experience in Intellectual Property, as she has received relevant training and has worked in this field as a Product Design Engineer for a multinational company. Dr. Sofou has served as the innovation, exploitation and dissemination manager in several H2020, EDF and PCP projects and is an experienced research proposals writer and project manager. She is responsible for the Innovation Management of Satways products.

### **Tiina Haapanen**

Tiina Haapanen is Project Specialist at Laurea University of Applied Sciences and the Project Manager of EU-HYBNET project. She has over 10 years expertise in EC funded research project (H2020, Horizon Europe, Erasmus+) administration and management.

### **Torben Fell**

Torben Fell is a Policy Officer in the Hybrid Threats & Cyber division (SECDEFPOL.2) of the European External Action Service (EEAS), working in the hybrid threats sector. SECDEFPOL.2 leads on and



coordinates the EU's efforts to address external security threats in the fields of hybrid and cyber, in particular through the development and operationalisation of policies, operational tools and international engagement, fulfilling the EU level of ambition, as expressed in the Strategic Compass. Prior to joining the EEAS in 2020, Mr Fell worked on counter terrorism in DG Migration & Home Affairs of the European Commission, covering issues such as critical infrastructure protection and countering terrorist financing, and has also previously worked in both the private and public sectors.

### Vazha Sopromadze

The University of Georgia Security, Policy and Nationalism research center (UGSPN) research fellow. In 2016, he was awarded a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Georgia. In 2020, he received a master's degree in international relations from the University of Georgia, specializing in Russian foreign policy research. From 2022, Vazha has been working on a doctoral research project in political science, focusing on the process of transformation of Georgian political elites. Along with his academic activities, Vazha has extensive experience working in the public service in the areas of Euro-Atlantic integration and foreign policy analysis.

### Project descriptions

#### AHEAD

AHEAD is a 30-month HE2022 project concerned with providing a tested prospective methodology tailored to the civil security domain. Taking into account long-term driving forces and contextual elements, it aims to generate foresight-informed roadmaps that anticipate the capability needs of civil security forces when potentially facing threats posed by new technologies. Concretely, iterative foresight exercises covering the 5 operational destinations of Horizon Europe Cluster 3 (crime and terrorism, border management, resilient infrastructures, cyber security and disaster resilient society) and involving a combination of workshops and interviews with multidisciplinary experts and civil protection representatives are to be conducted throughout the project. AHEAD's ultimate aim is to strengthen a forward-looking civil protection culture and embed in a more systematic way strategic foresight into decision-making.

The AHEAD is coordinated by Ministry of the Interior in France/ Thierry Hartmann. More on AHEAD: <https://he-ahead-project.eu/>

#### EU-CIP: European Knowledge Hub and Policy Testbed for Critical Infrastructure Protection



The main goal of EU-CIP is to establish a novel pan European knowledge network for Resilient Infrastructures, which will enable policy makers to shape and produce data-driven evidence-based policies, while boosting the innovation capacity of Critical Infrastructures (CI) operators, authorities, and innovators (including SMEs). In this direction, the partners have already established the European Cluster for Securing Critical infrastructures (ECSCI), which brings together more than 30 projects that

collaborate in CI Resilience. EU-CIP will leverage the capacity, organization, community, and achievements of the ECSCI cluster towards establishing an EU-wide knowledge network with advanced analytical and innovation support capabilities.

To facilitate information collection and analysis, the project established a FAIR data observatory of research projects, research outcomes, technologies, standards, and policies. Along with analytical capabilities for evidence-based policies, the project organizes and offers a rich set of innovation support services to EU projects and other innovators in CI security and resilience. These services include training, support in business planning and access to finance, as well as support in the validation, standardization, and certification of novel solutions. The projects outcomes are integrated and made available through a Knowledge Hub, which provides a singly entry point to the EU-CIP results. EU-CIP will build a vibrant ecosystem of over 1000 stakeholders around this Knowledge Hub. To animate and grow the project's community, EU-CIP will execute an ambitious set of dissemination activities, including the establishment and organization of an annual conference on Critical Infrastructures Resilience, which will become a flagship event for critical infrastructures.

The EU-CIP is coordinated by Engineering/ Emilia Gugliandolo. More on EU-CIP: <https://www.eucip.eu/>

### **GEMS – “Gaming Ecosystem as a Multi-layered Security Threat” Project**

The HORIZON EUROPE research project GEMS aims to contribute to the fight against the rapid spread of extremism across the gaming ecosystem. The GEMS' aims are: To contribute to a scientific advancement of the field of radicalisation and violent extremism by developing a new academic field of Sociology of Gaming and Radicalisation; To provide European Police Authorities (EPAs) with a novel Training Curriculum and an innovative tool, the Watchtower (a future-proof AI platform trained to recognise and prevent the spread of extremist content and recruitment in the online gaming space); To create a new cross-sectoral collaborative network dedicated to countering extremist presence in the gaming ecosystem – European Networks Against Gaming-Related Extremism (ENgaGE); To develop an effective Citizens Awareness Campaign and evidence-based Policy Solutions which will greatly improve high level decision making, empower citizens and enhance youth/gamers protection. In order to achieve these aims GEMS will coalesce the knowledge, expertise and experiences of the security community, the European police authorities, technical innovators, academics from a host of disciplines, policy makers and influencers, all led by a profound dedication to the protection and security of EU citizens.

GEMS is a project which answers a particular security challenge, i.e., the presence of extremism in the gaming ecosystem. Consequently, it is envisioned as a product-oriented, practical project, with major contributions from EPAs and the technical sector, specially the AI developers. The overarching aim of the project is to minimize if not outright remove the threat of extremist recruitment in the gaming ecosystem in its earliest stages. GEMS will be in the position to reach this aim by focusing on arguably the only area where meaningful and effective intervention during the radicalization process is in fact possible, i.e., the in-game communication platforms.

The GEMS is coordinated by Trinity College Dublin/ Maja Halilovic-Pastuovic. More on GEMS: <https://www.projectgems.eu>

**PAVED**

Over the past few years, the development of public capabilities to combat the risks posed by information disorders focused on hybrid acts targeting security, defence and public order. PAVED is both a project, and a Working Group composed of experts in different disciplines (law, social sciences, cybernetics and AI, cognition, social sciences and crisis management), focusing on acute risks posed by information disorders to infrastructure and economic key operators. In a first step, PAVED produced a broad (horizontal) analysis of the phenomena and the risks, and carried out a more in-depth analysis in two concrete cases, the individual vehicle and strategic minerals. The groupe explored FIMI as well as ideological and activist mobilizations likely to be violently translated on the ground. Current work (second step) aims at integrating several dimension of « complex » threats / crisis (Hybrid operations, natural, industrial, etc.), in the perspective of resilience.

## **Companies**

### **Cybereco Global Services**

In particular Cybereco Global Services can implement activities in the domains of cyber, space, defence, hybrid and critical infrastructures protection, tailoring the provided cybersecurity services and the research innovation activities into the core cyber business objectives. Key Cybersecurity Activities of the Cybereco Global Services:

- Cyber Security Services at Strategic, Operational, Tactical and Technical levels including the development of cyber skills
- Information Assurance and Infosec Services, on System security architecture and engineering including the advice on the EU and National Policies, Rules and Directives on the protection of classified information (SSRS and SecOps)
- Cyber in Critical Infrastructures Protection and advice on National Laws and EU Regulations/ Directives
- Cyber in Defence in particular Cyber security capabilities building including in Common Security and Defence Policy(CSDP)
- Cyber in Space and in particular Cyber security capabilities building including research and innovation activities
- Cyber in Diplomacy and in particular activities on external relations and capacity building
- Cyber and Hybrid Threats and in particular advice on hybrid threats link with cyber
- Information Technology (IT) Security Standards and Frameworks in particular advice and related activities on the implementation of the IT Security Standards and frameworks such as NIST and ISO 27000 series including the General Data Protection Regulation (EU GDPR)
- Cyber Insurance in particular activities on the cyber insurance domain.

## **Practical Information**

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The working language of the event is English while Spanish translation is served.

### **VENUE**

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop will take place at the Valencia Police Local Headquarters ([Google Maps](#)).



Valencia Local Police Headquarters

Address: Avenida del Cid / Avinguda del Cid 37, Valencia

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Metro station: Avenida del Cid /  
Avinguda del Cid

## SOCIAL DINNER

Following the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop, in the evening of 24<sup>th</sup> of April 2024 a social dinner will be arranged at a local venue. More information will be shared shortly.

## HOTELS

For your accommodation, you may contact e.g. the following hotels:

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For your accommodation, you can contact the following hotels:

#### 1) Hotel NH Las Artes, Valencia \*\*\*\*

- Area: Ciudad de las Artes y las ciencias (City of Arts and Sciences)
- Address: Avenida Instituto Obrero 28, 46013 València, España
- Distance to PLV Headquarters: 4.6km, 14 min by taxi.
- Phone number: +34 91 6008146
- Email: [nhlasartes@nh-hotels.com](mailto:nhlasartes@nh-hotels.com)
- Web (Spanish, top right corner to change language): [NH Hotel Las Artes](#)



The Hotel NH Las Artes (4 Stars) is located a couple of minutes walking distance from the Prince Felipe Science Museum and the Oceanogràfic. Hotel NH Las Artes has the following services:



Bus service arranged by PLV: Yes

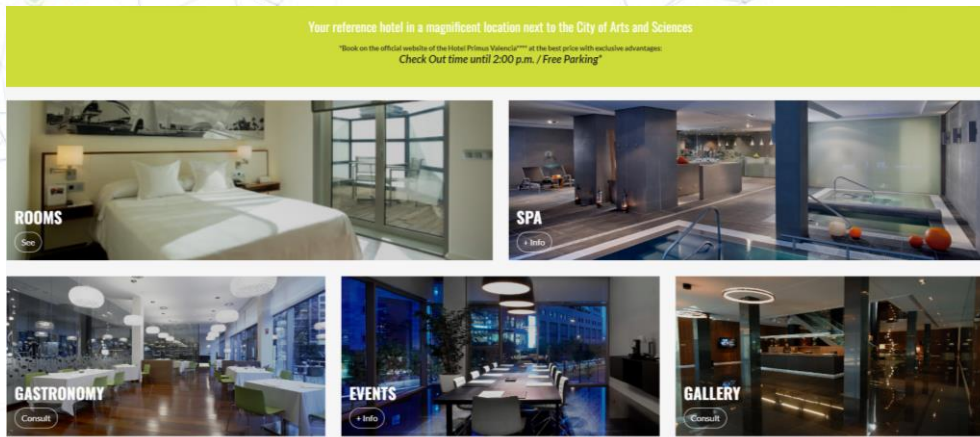
Close to metro station: No

**2) HOTEL PRIMUS VALENCIA \*\*\*\***

- Area: Ciudad de las Artes y Las Ciencias (City of Arts and Sciences)
- Address: C/ Menorca, 22, 46023 - Valencia – Spain
- Distance to PLV Headquarters: 8.1 km, 18 min by taxi.
- Phone number: (+34)96 331 84 74, (+34) 963 352 016
- E-mail: [reservas@hotelprimusvalencia.com](mailto:reservas@hotelprimusvalencia.com)
- Web (Eng): <https://hotelprimusvalencia.com/en/>

How to reach Valencia Local Police Headquarters: Walk 15 minutes until Marítim metro station-line 5. Take the train to Aeroport and exit at Avenida del Cid. From there, take the exit “Parque del Oeste” and the Central Station is right in front of it.

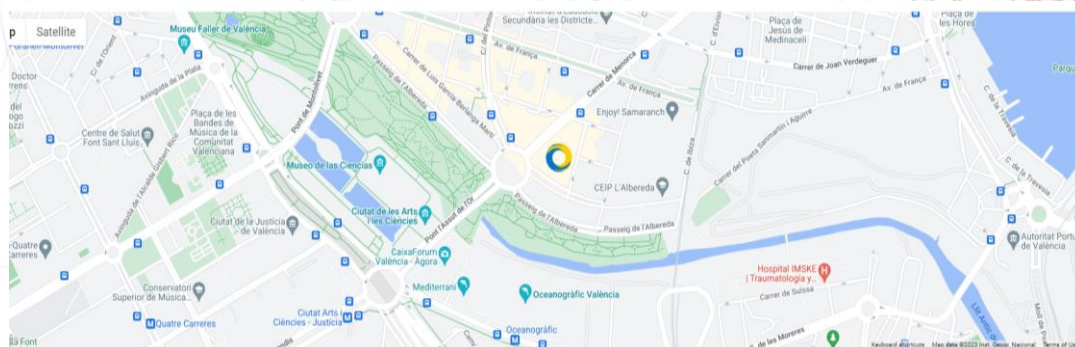




### 3) Hotel Ilunion Aqua 3 Valencia \*\*\*

- Area: Ciudad de las Artes y Las Ciencias (City of Arts and Sciences)
- Address: Carrer de Luis García-Berlanga Martí, 19, 21, 46023 València
- Distance to PLV Headquarters: 7.9 km, 16 min by taxi.
- Phone number: +34 902 42 42 42
- E-mail: [reservasqua3@ilunionhotels.com](mailto:reservasqua3@ilunionhotels.com)
- Web (Eng): <https://en.ilunionaqua3.com/contact/>

How to reach Valencia Local Police Headquarters: Walk 18 minutes until Marítim metro station-line 5. Take the train to Aeropuerto and exit at Avenida del Cid. From there, take the exit “Parque del Oeste” and the Central Station is right in front of it.



### 4) Hotel Barceló Valencia \*\*\*\*

- Area: Ciudad de las Artes y las ciencias (City of Arts and Sciences)
- Address: Avenida de Francia 11, 46013 València, España
- Distance to PLV Headquarters: 5.2km, 15 min by taxi.
- Phone number: +34 [910 78 54 11](tel:910785411)
- Email: [valencia@barcelo.com](mailto:valencia@barcelo.com)

- Web (Eng): [Barceló Valencia](#)



Barceló Valencia\*\*\*\* exudes urbanism and modernity opposite the City of Arts and Sciences, offering a unique city experience next to the Turia riverbed. Well-connected with the airport, it is ideal for business or leisure trips.



Bus service arranged by PLV: Yes

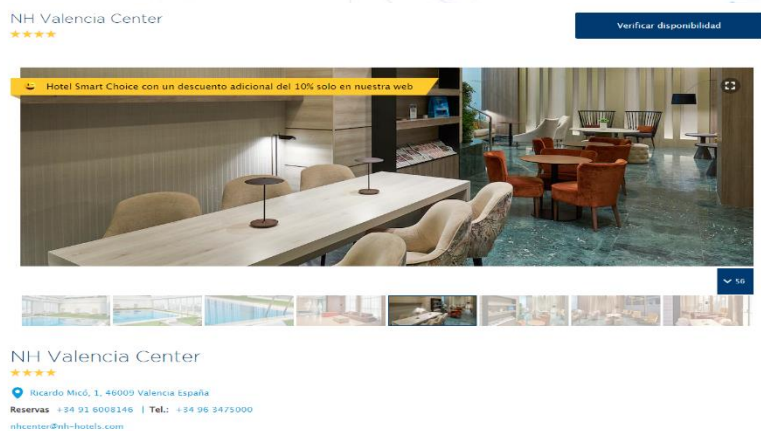
Close to metro station: No

## 5) NH València Center \*\*\*\*

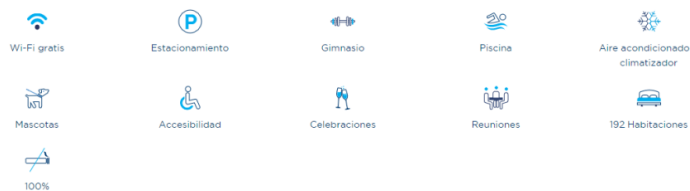
- Area: Campanar – Tendetes
- Address: Ricardo Micó, 46009 València, España
- Distance to PLV Headquarters: 3,4km, 10 min by taxi.
- Phone number: +34 91 6008146
- Email: [nhcenter@nh-hotels.com](mailto:nhcenter@nh-hotels.com)
- Web (Eng): [NH Valencia Center](#)



The **NH Valencia Center** hotel is in the quiet Campanar-Tendetes area of Valencia. It's within 15 minutes' walk of the historic center, and it's even closer to a green park, a movie theater and the Valencia Institute of Modern Art.



Hotel NH València Center offers the following services:

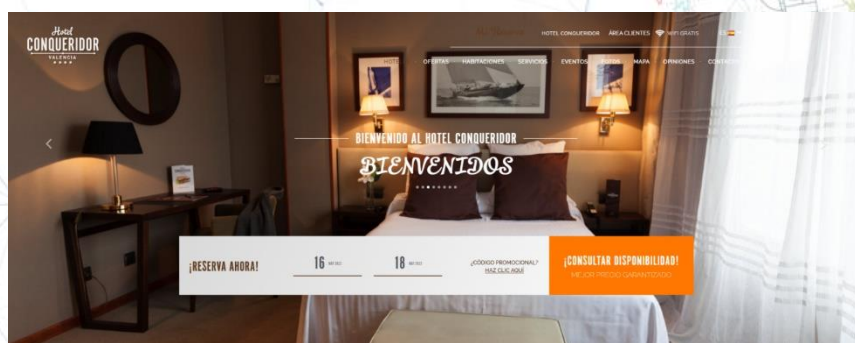


Bus service arranged by PLV: No

Close to a metro station: Yes (Turia)

## 6) Hotel Conqueridor \*\*\*\*

- Area: City Center
- Address: Cervantes 9-11, 46007 València, Spain
- Distance to PLV Headquarters: 2,5km, 9 min by taxi.
- Phone number: +34 963522883



- Email: [reservas@hotelconqueridor.com](mailto:reservas@hotelconqueridor.com)



- Web (Eng): [Hotel Conqueridor](#)

Hotel Conqueridor is located in the city centre, just three minutes away from the railway station and the City Hall square. Restaurant and cafe services are available. It offers free wi-fi and express breakfast, gym, sauna, and a room for meetings and events. It is the ideal hotel for business trip or holidays.

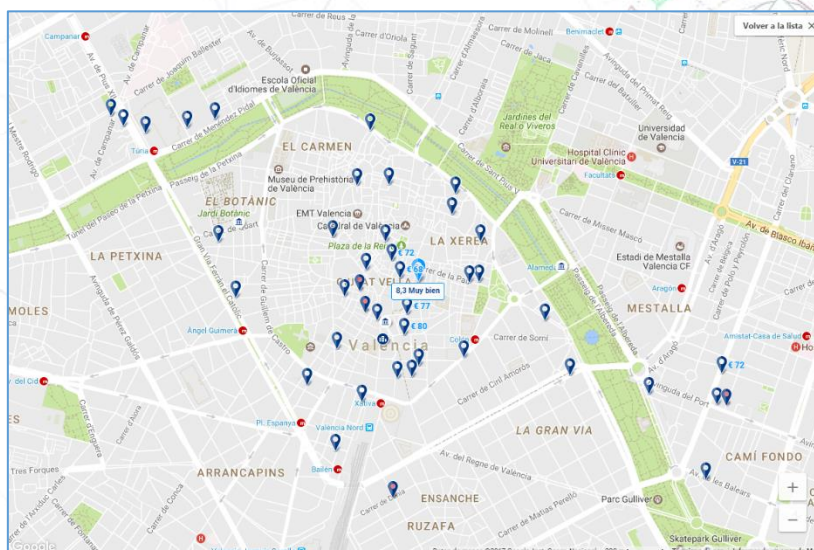
Bus service arranged by PLV: No

Close to a metro station: Yes (Plaça Espanya)



## 7) Hotel SH Inglés Boutique \*\*\*\*

- Area: Old town (near city centre)
- Address: Marqués de Dos Aguas, 6, Ciutat Vella, 46002 València, España
- Distance to PLV Headquarters: 5,1km, 13 min by taxi.
- Phone number: +34 963 516 426
- Email: [reservas.ingles@sh-hoteles.com](mailto:reservas.ingles@sh-hoteles.com)
- Web (Eng): [Inglés Boutique](#)



The SH Ingles hotel is located in the heart of the city of Valencia, in what was once the Palace of the Duke of Cardona, an historic building from the 18th century. Hotel SH Inglés Boutique has the following

services: wi-fi, car, bike and electric scooter rental, buffet breakfast, pharmacy, 24h reception, bar, hot springs, Laundry and dry-cleaning, tourist information and ticket centre and newspapers.

Bus service arranged by PLV: No

Close to a metro station: Yes (Colón)

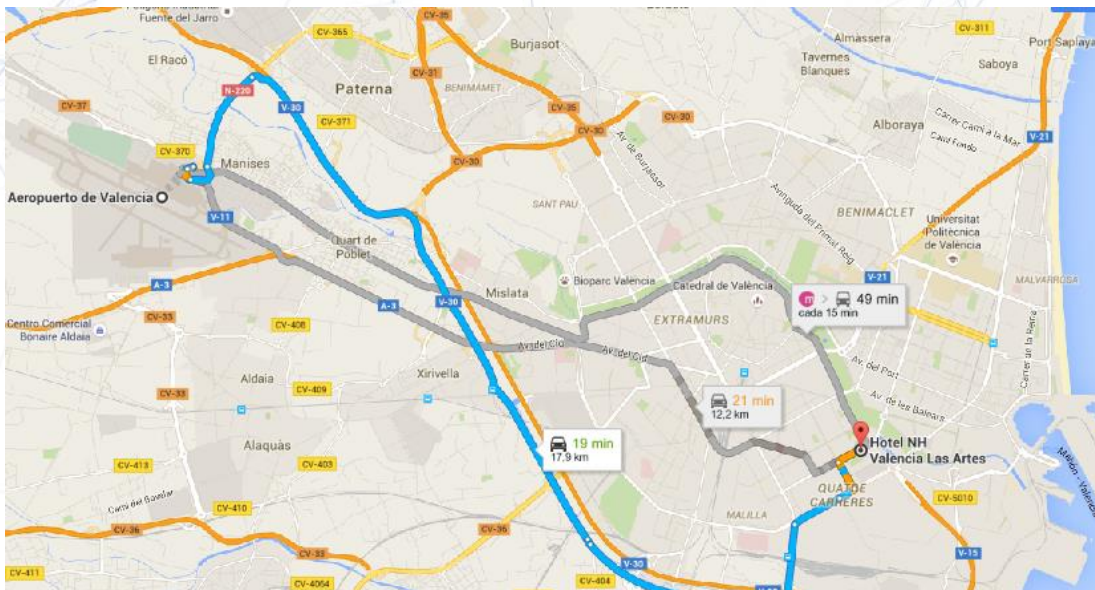
## AIRPORT INFORMATION

The Valencia Airport ([website](#)), also popularly known as Manises Airport, is located just 8 kilometres west of the city of Valencia.

### BY TAXI

The airport has taxis available right outside of the arrivals' terminal. There are various taxi companies that operate within Valencia, which can be found outside said terminal. They all have the same rates and offer their services 24 hours a day. All the taxis in the city of Valencia are white coloured.

The distance between the Valencia Airport and city centre is 17.9 kilometres, and the journey usually takes around 20 minutes. The fare is around 25€. This is the fastest and most direct option.



### BY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Two metro lines connect the airport with the city of Valencia. The journey takes around 25 minutes, with an estimated cost of 5€.

**Línea L3** (red colour): Rafelbunyol – Aeroport

**Línea L5** (Green colour): (Marítim Serrería - Aeroport)



## MORE INFORMATION

For more information about Valencia, you can consult the València Tourist information website: <https://www.visitvalencia.com/en>

For any questions around the event, you can contact the Innovation & Project Management Division – València Local Police, PM Iván L. Martínez Villanueva – [proyectosplv@valencia.es](mailto:proyectosplv@valencia.es)

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