

BELGRADE WOMEN'S CYBER FORUM 2019: LAUNCHING CAREERS IN CYBER SPACE

September 19, Belgrade City Hall

Initiated by the [Energypact Foundation \(www.energypact.org\)](http://www.energypact.org) in the context of its flagship event, the [Vienna Cyber Security Week \(viennacybersecurityweek.org\)](http://viennacybersecurityweek.org), the Women's Cyber Forum has the mission to build awareness and promote cyber security, by conducting a series of one day seminars focused on information sharing, networking and mentoring for women professionals seeking opportunities in cyber security.

The goal of these seminars is to create a platform for information sharing, networking and mentoring and to raise awareness about the importance of cyber security as a career choice for young women in particular.

These seminars are designed for young professional women and men with an interest in cyber security issues. Desired attendees include women and male allies already engaged or considering careers in cyber security, including university students and faculty, industry professionals, members of the government, and professional organizations.

The rapid expansion of the cyber security sector offers one of the fastest growing areas of opportunity for professionals seeking to enhance or diversify their career. A 2018 the Forbes magazine reported that there will be up to 3.5 million job openings by 2021. Meanwhile, women make up only 20% of the cybersecurity workforce. While that's up from a mere 11% in 2013, there's still a lot of opportunity to be seized in cybersecurity careers.

This is an unsatisfactory and unsustainable model. Cyber security is not merely a technical, but a societal and business challenge that requires a diverse set of disciplines and skillsets that includes traditional areas such as computer science, but also increasingly requires strong competences in criminology, psychology, business, law, and political science.

Together with its national and international and governmental and non-governmental partners, The Vienna based Women's Cyber Forum is initiating the Western Balkans Women's Cyber Forum Project, a series of conferences and seminars to be organized in the coming period.

The inaugural conference – pilot project will be held on September 19, 2019 in Belgrade, Serbia, considering particularly the challenging projects of the Digital Serbia Initiative, the recent Serbian Initiative of Dual Education and the Digital Agenda for the Western Balkans launched by the European Commission.

08.30 – 09.30	<p>Registration & coffee</p>
09.30 – 11.00	<p>FORUM OPENING SESSION</p> <p>Vanja Rokvić, Associate Professor, Faculty of Security Studies, University of Belgrade (moderator)</p> <p>OFFICIAL OPENING</p> <p>Andreja Mladenović, Assistant Mayor, City of Belgrade</p> <p>Tatjana Matić, State Secretary, Ministry of Trade, Tourism & Telecommunications, Republic of Serbia</p> <p>Ivanka Popović, Rector, University of Belgrade</p> <p>WELCOME FROM ORGANIZERS</p> <p>Alexandre Dimitrijević, President, Energypact Foundation</p> <p>Diana Grigorijević, Vice President, Women's Cyber Forum</p> <p>Vladimir Cvetković, Dean, Faculty of Security Studies, University of Belgrade</p> <p>KEYNOTE SPEECHES</p> <p>Joseph Mellott, Deputy Head of the OSCE Mission to Serbia</p> <p>Marta Arsovska Tomovska, Director for PAR/Advisor for IT and Entrepreneurship, Office of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Serbia</p> <p>Carla Licciardella, Intersectoral coordinator, ITU</p> <p>Maria Possobom Rocha, Power Systems Management & Associated Information Exchange Committee IEC, Cyber Security Engineer, ENEL</p> <p>SPECIAL SESSION</p> <p>Ana Bošković, Country Leader, Serbia and Montenegro, Cisco</p> <p>Snežana Lakićević, Advisor to Deputy CEO - Director of Function for government relations and corporative communications, President of Executive Council of The Association for gender equality, NIS</p>

11.00 – 11.15	Coffee break
11.15 – 12.00	<p>SESSION 1</p> <p>GENDER EQUALITY AND WOMEN EMPOWERMENT IN THE DIGITAL/ CYBERSPACE – AN OVERVIEW FROM INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND GOVERNMENTS</p> <p>Alona Fisher-Kamm, Ambassador of Israel to Serbia</p> <p>Dejan Tonic, Associate, Advice for Small Businesses (ASB), Serbia SME Finance & Development Group, EBRD</p> <p>Aleksandar Pavlović, Security Sales Specialist, Adriatic & Balkans, Cisco</p> <p>Diana Gligorijević, Vice President, Women’s Cyber Forum (moderator)</p>
12.00 – 12.30	Coffee break
12.30- 13.45	<p>SESSION 2</p> <p>WOMEN IN CYBER – SETTING THE CONTEXT OF THE ROLE OF GENDER EQUALITY IN CYBER AND STEMS* EDUCATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF SERBIA</p> <p>Gabrijela Grujić, Assistant Minister for Dual and Entrepreneurial Education, Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development, Republic of Serbia</p> <p>Bojan Lalić, Professor, Faculty of Technical Sciences, University of Novi Sad</p> <p>Ivan Rakonjac, Director, Innovation Fund, Republic of Serbia</p> <p>Predrag Spasić, Sales manager Serbia and Macedonia, Check Point Software Technologies</p> <p>Momir Đekić, Chief Disruption Officer, TeleGroup Innovation team (moderator)</p>

13.45 – 14.00

Coffee break

14.00 - 15.15

SESSION 3**NEW FRONTIERS – NEW CARRIERS****OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN IN CYBERWORLD AS ONE OF THE FASTEST GROWING AREA FOR PROFESSIONALS**

Mirjana Kovačević, Head of Centre for Education, Dual Education and Education Policies, Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia

Goran Matić, Director, Office of the National Security Council & classified information protection, Republic of Serbia

Danijela Đokić Pavlica, Director, IDEGO / Training Model Presentation

Mila Milenkovic, Head of Digital Innovations and Applications Dept at Digital transformation and IT Planning, Telekom Srbija (moderator)

15.15 – 15.30	CLOSING REMARKS
15.30– 16.30	RECEPTION & NETWORKING
	* SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING & MATHEMATICS