

CyberNext Bucharest

27–28 May 2026



Venue: The Faculty of Sociology and Social Work of UB (90 Panduri Street)
Amf. Ioan Mihăilescu (Room 205, 1st floor) | Parallel sessions will be in Room 103 (ground floor).

Day One – Context & Complexity

08:30 – 09:30 Registration & Welcome Coffee

09:30 – 10:00 Opening Remarks

Prof. Marian Preda, Rector of the University of Bucharest

Mr. George J. Schultzel, FBI Law Enforcement Attaché for Romania and Moldova

Prof. Paul Irofti, the Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science, the University of Bucharest

10:00 – 11:15 Panel: AI vs Cybersecurity – Arms Race or Alliance?

With the participation of FBI, Palo Alto Networks, Google & the University Politehnica of Bucharest

11:15 – 11:45 Coffee Break

11:45 – 13:00 Panel: Inside a Cyber Attack – From Breach to Recovery

With the participation of FBI, DNSC, IBM

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch Break

14:30 – 15:30 Panel: Crypto, Cybercrime & the New Threat Economy

With the participation of Chainalysis, FBI, CrowdStrike & the Bucharest University of Economic Studies

15:30 – 16:30 Panel: Public–Private–Academic Collaboration in Cybersecurity: From Strategy to Execution

With the participation of FBI, ANCOM, ADR & the University of Bucharest

15:30–16:30 Parallel: Talent & Careers Track – Entering Cybersecurity – Skills & Opportunities

With the participation of the FBI, University of Bucharest, the Bucharest University of Economic Studies, the University Politehnica of Bucharest, the Ovidius University of Constanța, SRI (HR section) & private companies

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee Break

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Day Two – Skills & Direction

09:00 – 09:30 Morning Coffee & Networking

09:30 – 10:15 Keynote Lecture – Cybersecurity in Practice: Challenges and Opportunities Ahead

Prof. Paul Irofti, the Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science, the University of Bucharest

Mr. George J. Schultzel, FBI Law Enforcement Attaché for Romania and Moldova

10:15 – 11:15 Panel: Breaking In – Careers in Cybersecurity

With the participation of the University of Bucharest, Google, Palo Alto Networks, IBM & Bittnet

11:15 – 11:45 Coffee Break

11:45 – 12:45 Panel: Ethical Hacking & Bug Bounties – From Skill to Impact
With the participation of Chainalysis, Microsoft & CrowdStrike

12:45 – 14:15 Lunch Break

14:15 – 15:15 Panel: Cybersecurity for Everyone – Building Safer Digital Habits
With the participation of DNSC, Ovidius University of Constanța, Vodafone & Bittnet

14:15 – 16:15 Parallel: Applied Security Track – CTF Competition

With the participation of the participant students & Chainalysis

14:15 – 16:15 Parallel: Talent & Careers Track – Career Lab (CV Reviews & Recruiter Discussions)

With the participation of SRI (HR section), private companies, the University of Bucharest, the Bucharest University of Economic Studies, the University Politehnica of Bucharest, the Constanța Maritime University

15:15 – 16:30 Networking & Coffee

16:30 – 17:00 Closing Remarks

17:00 End of Conference