

Open Source Intelligence in Law Enforcement

Expert Forum and Workshop, 18.-20.09.2013, Ispra, Italy

Objectives

The event provides a forum to **exchange best practices and lessons learned** on the use of Open Source Intelligence (OSINT) tools between European law enforcement authorities.

The first part of the event contains presentations given by law enforcement experts from EU countries to share their insights and practical experiences. The second part consists of hands-on sessions for beginners and advanced users of the EMM Media Monitoring tools and the EMM OSINT Suite desktop toolkit on how to apply these tools to real world case studies.

Target Audience

Experts of law enforcement authorities in the Member States of the EU dealing with Open Source Intelligence and Media Monitoring. The hands-on part is primarily intended for existing users of JRC's software tools or users who want to employ those tools in the near future.

Ideally, participants should have practical experience in security and crime areas such as terrorism, cybercrime, human trafficking etc. where the use of open sources intelligence is an integral part of daily work. Participants with a strong interest to learn the use of OSINT tools will also benefit from this workshop and are encouraged to register.

Please bring a notebook computer to take part in the interactive session, the venue is equipped with a wi-fi network.

Programme

You can find an up-to-date version of the event's programme at the following website:

<https://osint.jrc.ec.europa.eu/events/agenda.jsp>

Background

As part of the collaborative activities of DG Home Affairs – Internal Security Directorate and the Joint Research Centre (JRC) software tools for media monitoring and open source intelligence (OSINT) have been developed. These tools are shared with national authorities in the Member States of the EU.

The policy areas of DG Home Affairs are to define the internal security component in the development of the space on justice, freedom and security. DG Home Affairs defines and develops activities, from best practices to legislation, in the fight against terrorism and organised crime. Furthermore, it promotes law enforcement cooperation at the European level,

including through Europol, and access to information for law enforcement purposes. You can find more about the mission of DG Home Affairs at:

<http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/home-affairs/>

The JRC undertakes research aimed at supporting EU policies in these areas. Over the years it has developed a suite of server based tools and a desktop toolkit founded in its research in text mining and information extraction. An overview of the available tools can be found at:

<http://emm.newsbrief.eu/overview.html>

The tools described on the website are complemented by editorial applications to generate newsletters and to feed the data to other systems.

Organisers

The workshop is organised by the Institute for the Protection and Security of the Citizen of the JRC in collaboration with DG Home Affairs – Internal Security Directorate.

Venue

The workshop will be hosted at the Ispra (Italy) site of the Joint Research Centre of the European Commission. For more information about the institute and the location refer to our website at

<http://ipsc.jrc.ec.europa.eu> .

Registration

If you intend to attend the workshop, please note that there are strict security rules governing the access to the JRC, so it is important that you register with your personal details and information on your travel plans by no later than 30.08.2013.

Please use the following website to register and to learn how we can help you to find accommodation:

<https://osint.jrc.ec.europa.eu/events/register.jsp>

If you have any questions about the registration or logistics of your visit, please contact

(+39 033278 [redacted])

If you have questions about the workshop's programme, please get in touch with:

(+39 033278 [redacted]).

Please note that there is only a limited amount of places available.

Closing date for registration is the 30.08.2013.