Can we build a robust cross-border chain of trust for digital evidence?

Thursday 16th July 2020
10:00h to 11.00 CEST and 11.30 to 12.30 CEST

Technology and ubiquitous devices, such as computers, smartphones and smartwatches, have redefined our society and the way we live. However, malicious entities have also learnt how to exploit these assets to commit criminal activities, ranging from financial frauds, intellectual property theft, industrial espionage to contraband activities, child pornography and even murder. In this sense, digital evidences are paramount in current criminal investigations related to all kinds of criminal behaviour. Indeed, emails, phone calls, SMS messages, hidden files, etc. are in many cases the only evidences. Therefore, ensuring evidences’ integrity and availability is crucial for being admissible to a court of law to achieve successful prosecution.

Fighting against cybercrime is not straightforward nowadays, especially since their criminal activities become transnational, i.e., taking place in multiple countries. Cross-jurisdiction issues and incompatibilities difficult the cooperation and sharing of information and digital evidences between law enforcement agencies in such an international context. This alarming situation fosters an urgent need to standardise forensic procedures and protocols for guaranteeing the chain of custody of cybercrime-related digital evidences, as well as to ease the cooperation of law enforcement agencies in a trusted, secure and legal way.

To deepen the knowledge on this situation, APWG.EU, EEMA and StAG will organize the two-parts webinar, “Can we build a robust cross-border chain of trust for digital evidence?” next Thursday 16th July 2020. In the first part at 10:00h to 11.00 CEST, worldwide cybersecurity experts, law enforcement agencies and public bodies will discuss the most relevant issues when sharing digital evidences between European a non-European country. In the second part from 11.30 to 12.30 CEST, researchers will present ongoing initiatives, LOCARD, FORMOBILE and Global Cyber Crime Certification, proposing state-of-the-art solutions and technologies to fight against cybercrime. This webinar is free of charge and open to anyone motivated with this topic. Registrations are available at the following LINK.