# **EU-CIP Press Release**

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# **EU-CIP Final Conference Showcases European Blueprint for Critical Infrastructure Resilience**

On 29 September 2025, the EU-funded EU-CIP project, in collaboration with SUNRISE and ATLANTIS, hosted its final event in Brussels: "Collaborate, Innovate, Anticipate, Protect: A European Blueprint for Resilient Infrastructure." The conference brought together over 50 participants from EU institutions, international organizations, industry, and research to discuss the future of Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) and Critical Infrastructure Resilience (CIR).



## **Event Highlights**

Opening remarks by Max Brandt (EU DG HOME) and Andrew McKay Bower (UNDRR) set the tone for the day, emphasizing the urgency of aligning innovation with policy and embedding resilience from the outset. The keynote speeches underscored the importance of multi-stakeholder engagement and global cooperation.

Emilia Gugliandolo, EU-CIP Project Coordinator, introduced the newly launched EU-CIP Knowledge Hub – a centralized platform offering access to over 100 resources, training materials, observatory data, and project outcomes. With more than 330 registered users, the Hub is designed to support long-term collaboration and policy development across Europe.





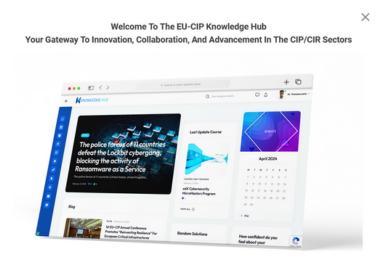
Panel discussions featured insights from end users and policymakers, including Frédéric Guyomard (EDF France), Nikolaos Papagiannopoulos (Airport of Athens), John Soldatos (EU-CIP), and Habtamu Abie (ECSCI). Topics ranged from cross-sector threat anticipation and AI-driven risk management to bridging the gap between research, regulation, and public trust.

#### **Outcomes and Achievements**

- Launch of the EU-CIP Knowledge Hub, a pan-European platform for CIP/CIR collaboration
- · Strengthened ties between research, industry, and policy communities
- · Shared recommendations for future EU-funded initiatives and regulatory alignment
- Reinforced commitment to long-term sustainability and community-based resilience

## **Looking Ahead**

The EU-CIP Knowledge Hub will remain active and open to new contributors, serving as a foundation for future initiatives in infrastructure resilience. The project partners will continue to promote knowledge exchange, capacity building, and innovation across Europe.



Introducing the EU-CIP Knowledge Hub! A Milestone in Critical Infrastructure Protection and Resilience

If you are part of the CIP/CIR community or have an interest for this field, feel free to register to the Knowledge Hub here: https://knowledgehub.eucip.eu/

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#### **About EU-CIP**

EU-CIP is an EU-funded project dedicated to enhancing the resilience of critical infrastructure through evidence-based policymaking, innovation support, and stakeholder engagement. It is part of a broader European effort to secure public spaces and essential services against evolving threats.