

**SUPPORT THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN IN THE  
DEVELOPMENT OF EFFECTIVE POLICIES TO COUNTER  
CYBERCRIMES (PHASE I)**

**Duration:** 01 August 2023 - 01 May 2026

**Total budget:** EUR 1,093,007

**Pledged budget:** EUR 477,090.61

**Donors:**    

Supporting Kazakhstan in building a comprehensive, systematic approach to tackling cybercrimes through the development of a strategic document compliant with the international legal framework, capacity building of law enforcement instructors, and raising overall public cyber awareness.

**PHASE I**  
2023-2025  
Aims to support Kazakhstan in developing effective policies to counter cybercrimes, including establishing of multi stakeholders coordination working group for the development of the overarching “Joint Action Plan on Countering Cybercrimes”. It will lay the foundation for further legislative improvements. During Phase I, an educational strategy for the national cybercrime specialists in law enforcement agencies will be developed. Training of core change agents within main stakeholders’ agencies and law enforcement educational institutions is envisaged.

**PHASE II**  
2025-2027  
Aims to support Kazakhstan in implementing effective policies defined in the Joint Action Plan developed during Phase I. The phase will include large-scale education of law enforcement officers, based on the developed National Cybercrime Training Framework (NCTF), enhancing international cooperation and greater public participation. Phase II will be launched after the results of Phase I are achieved.

**BENEFICIARIES &  
KEY NATIONAL PARTNERS**

- Ministry of Interior (20 Police Departments in 20 regions of Kazakhstan)
- Five police academies
- Prosecutor General's Office
- Law Enforcement Academy under the Prosecutor General's Office
- Supreme Court and Judicial Administration
- Committee of National Security
- Financial Monitoring Agency
- Ministry of Digital Development, Innovations and Aerospace Industry
- Ministry of Defense
- Ministry of Justice
- Ministry of Information and Social Development
- Ministry of Science and Higher Education
- Ministry of Education
- National Bank of the Republic of Kazakhstan
- Agency for Regulation and Development of the Financial Market
- National Chamber of Entrepreneurs "Atameken"
- IT private sector
- NGOs

**PROJECT CONTEXT**

➤ In November 2022 Ministry of interior requested POiA to support Kazakhstan’s police on enhancing its capacity to counter cybercrimes.

➤ On April 19, 2023, the Council of Europe extended an invitation to Kazakhstan to join the Budapest Convention.

➤ On October 9, 2023 POiA hosted coordination meeting under the chairmanship of the Presidential Administration to announce the start of the project.

➤ On December 15, 2023, the Head of POiA and the Minister of the Interior signed a Joint Action Plan with the Ministry of Interior for implementing the Project.

**PROJECT MILESTONES**

In February 2024, a National Coordination Mechanism, the Steering Committee, comprising 55 representatives from key governmental agencies, was established to develop the Joint Action Plan on countering cybercrimes.



From March to September 2024, three meetings of the Steering Committee were held to develop the Joint Action Plan, which was adopted and signed into action for the years 2025 and 2026.



From August to October 2025, the expert team conducted an assessment of cybercrime competencies among police officers of 9 police departments (138) and staff of educational institutions (46 members and 80 cadets). Assessment findings were designed to support the development of the future National Cybercrime Training Framework (NCTF).

# OPERATIONAL PLAN OF THE EXB PROJECT (PHASE I)

## RESULT I

A national coordination mechanism for the development of the National Comprehensive Action Plan on countering cyber crimes is established.

1.1 Assisting in managing the work of the Steering Committee and preparatory activities.

1.2 Conducting round table discussions of the Steering Committee, observers, and civil society.

1.3 Conducting Cybercrime Forums in Kazakhstan.

## RESULT II

International expertise and policy advice are provided for the development of the National Comprehensive Action Plan on countering cyber crimes.

2.1 Assisting in the designing of the draft of the National Comprehensive Action Plan.

2.2 Advising on international legal norms and good international practices in OSCE pS on countering cybercrimes in line with international human rights and rule of law standards.

## RESULT III

Law enforcement academies developed training strategy in the field of countering cybercrimes and enhanced their trainers' capacity.

3.1 Developing national training strategy to counter cybercrimes and cyber enabled crimes.

3.2 Law enforcement personnel received basic and advance training as defined in the national training strategy.

3.3 Equipping cybercrime training centres with new hardware.

## RESULT IV

Public awareness raised in the prevention of cybercrimes.

4.1 Conducting public cyber awareness campaigns.

4.2 Supporting the cyber volunteering programme.

4.3 Supporting juvenile police to raise children's preparedness for cyber threats.