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Cybersecurity innovation ecosystem expands into India; Welcomes Center of Excellence in Cyber Security, K-Tech Bangalore

The Global Ecosystem of Ecosystems Partnership in Innovation and Cybersecurity (Global EPIC) today welcomed the CS-CoE (Center of Excellence in Cyber Security), K-Tech, Bangalore – India as its 24th partner in this rapidly expanding global initiative.

Global EPIC partners are co-creating and adopting world-changing solutions to high-impact cybersecurity challenges, both current and emergent. Underpinning this perspective is a conscious attempt to glocalize – localize the global and globalize the local to generate economic development opportunities whilst simultaneously tackling cybersecurity issues.

David Crozier, President of Global EPIC and Head of Strategic Partnerships and Engagement at Queen's University of Belfast's Centre for Secure Information Technologies (CSIT) said "Bangalore is rightly recognised as the silicon valley of India. A hub for the information technology industry, it is heartening to see that the wider State of Karnataka government has recognised the challenges and opportunities that cybersecurity represents with its support of the CS-CoE (Center of Excellence in Cyber Security), K-Tech. I welcome CS-CoE to Global EPIC, our first keystone organisation in India, and look forward to collaborating and sharing knowledge with them in the months and years ahead."

Ravikishor Mundada, CEO of CS-CoE said "We are living in the one global innovation economy where the boundaries of countries are blurred. It's a rapidly changing ecosystem within India and globally, driven by advances in technology. CS-CoE (Center of Excellence in Cyber Security) at Bangalore has set-forth a comprehensive plan to build this platform for cybersecurity technology capability building & innovation. We relish the opportunity to collaborate with this global platform and peer-groups across the world and provide a meaningful support to the industries, academics and start-up enterprises. As part of the Global EPIC member organizations, we are eager to contribute and learn from them, to work on the challenges that we are all facing in the common cyber world today. We appreciate this gesture by Global EPIC to welcome the CS-CoE at Bangalore, as the first keystone in India. We look forward to collaborate and strengthen this community for a safe and secure cyber presence."

Global EPIC has set a target of 50 member cyber security ecosystems by October 2020. Further information on Global EPIC can be found at https://globalepic.org/.

The 24 ecosystems are:

B-Hive (Brussels, Belgium), bwtech@UMBC (Baltimore, U.S.A.), Camaras (INCYDE) (Madrid, Spain), Carelton GCR (Ottawa, Canada), CETC (Massachusetts, U.S.A), CROW (Waikato, New Zealand), Centre for Secure Information Technologies - CSIT (Belfast, U.K.), CS-CoE (Center of Excellence in Cyber Security), K-Tech, (Bangalore, India), Cyber Leadership Alliance (Indiana, U.S.A), Cyber Wales (Cardiff, U.K), Cyberspark (Be'er-Sheva, Israel), CyberTech (San Diego, U.S.A.), Hague Security Delta (The Hague, Netherlands), IAAC

(Wiltshire, U.K.), ITRI (Taiwan), Kosciuszko Institute (Krakow, Poland), LSEC (Heverlee, Belgium), Politecnico di Torino (Turin, Italy), Procomer (Heredia, Costa Rica), Siberkume (Turkey), Surrey Innovation Boulevard (Surrey, Canada), UNB (Fredericton, Canada), UNILAG (Lagos, Nigeria), Union Square (North Carolina, U.S.A.)