

PRAETORIAN Final Conference Report

The **final PRAETORIAN conference** took place in “Maison des associations internationales” on 22 September 2023 in Brussels.

It was a joint event with the 1st Annual conference on Critical Infrastructure Resilience, co-organized with the EU-CIP project and the ECSCI cluster.

The format was hybrid: 36 people attended the conference in-person, while 10 people joined online.



It is our great pleasure to invite you to the
PRAETORIAN final conference.

With the title *PRAETORIAN as a solution towards the resilience of critical infrastructures*, the project's final event is the opportunity to discover the [PRAETORIAN](#) innovative technologies and to participate in the discussion with our experts as well as with relevant actors on the european scene.

It is a joint event with the 1st Annual conference on Critical Infrastructure Resilience, co-organized with the EU-CIP project and the ECSCI cluster. The conference will bring together experts and policy-makers in the areas of Critical Infrastructure Protection, security and crisis management.

Agenda

Time	Title	Presenters
9:00 – 9:15	Introduction / Welcome	Frédéric Guyomard, Project Coordinator
9:15 – 9:30	Keynote	Felix Combreau (Policy Officer - DG Home)
9:30 – 10:15	Roundtable discussion: Resilience in the spotlight of CIs	Tamara Tafra (Minister Counsellor, EU) John Soldatos (University of Glasgow) Felix Combreau (EC) <i>Moderator: Jelena Levak (Project Manager)</i>
10:15 – 10:30	PRAETORIAN – Project overview	Frédéric Guyomard, EDF
10:30 – 10:45	Coffee break	
10:45 – 11:30	PRAETORIAN Solutions	Lazaros Papadopoulos (ICCS) Alfonso Climente, (UPV)
11:30 - 11:45	Validation activities: the first step for a successful deployment	Hilke Boumann (DLR)
11:45 – 12:15	PRAETORIAN demonstrators: a success story	Rafael Company (FVP)
12:15 - 13:15	Lunch	
13:15 – 13:45	Innovation and exploitation	Eva Muñoz (ETRA)
13:45 – 14:30	Roundtable with end users	Markus Plass (MUG) Christophe Mignot (SDMIS) Melita Damjanović (ZAG) Vanessa Calvo (AENA) Fabrice Klein (GPMB) <i>Moderator: Tamara Hadjina (KONCAR-DI)</i>
14:30 – 14:45	Coffee break	
14:45 – 15:30	Final panel: Legal aspects and policy recommendations, Lessons learnt focusing on CI Resilience in face of hybrid threats	Jessica Schroers (KUL) Stephane Paul (THALES) Frédéric Guyomard (EDF) <i>Moderator: Stefan Schauer (AIT)</i>
15:30 – 16:00	Final word and PRAETORIAN Conclusion	PRAETORIAN Coordination Team



The conference started with a keynote speech by Felix Combreau (Policy Officer - DG Home) about the perspective of EC and DG Home in the challenges of resilience in CIs, followed by a roundtable discussion on the resilience of CIs, in which the participants exchanged views on the threat perception, regulatory aspects and future challenges on the CI protection.



The conference continued with a PRAETORIAN overview, highlighting the objectives and the main achievements of the project. After that, the main PRAETORIAN technologies were introduced, through several short demos and videos.



The topics of the next presentations were the PRAETORIAN validation exercises, focusing on the methodology and the main outcomes, and an overview of the demonstration events, explaining the objectives, the preparation challenges and the lessons learned of the PRAETORIAN 4 demos.



After an overview of the exploitation activities, highlighting the most notable success stories, two roundtables followed: During the first roundtable, the end users provided their perspective on the project, how the PRAETORIAN tools can be exploited within CIs and shared their ideas about how the solution can evolve beyond the project. The topics of the final roundtable were legal aspects in the context of CI resilience, an overview of the policy recommendations by PRAETORIAN and the lessons learnt by the project.



A wrap-up of the whole day by the coordination team concluded the conference.

