

## **ASECAP's statement on cybersecurity risk management & reporting obligations for digital infrastructure, providers and ICT service managers**

The Commission has launched a consultation with the focus on Cybersecurity risk management & reporting obligations for digital infrastructure providers and ICT service managers.

ASECAP would like to take the opportunity to highlight the following points:

- In the Road Transport sector, cybersecurity is of particular importance as the sector is named as "Critical Infrastructure" by the EU directive 2016/1148, the "NIS" directive, which has been repealed by the EU directive 2022/2555. Those EU directives mandate member states to legislate cybersecurity aspects of critical infrastructures, including Road Authorities and Intelligent Transport System Service providers and operators.
- The objective of the NIS 2 directive is to build security capabilities and ensuring continuity of essential services across the union. ASECAP members enable the transport of goods across the union by providing a network of tollways which are digitally interconnected. The interconnection is multifold: it enables cooperative traffic management, management of crisis through the automatic exchange of control messages, run of a variety of Intelligent Transport Systems, or sharing of similar life-saving platforms in Tunnel Automation Systems. Moreover, each operator is running (eventually) automated systems (NIS 2 Critical Assets) to enable traffic management, implementing life-saving tunnel automation systems, or static monitoring of their assets.
- Most of the NIS 2 requirements cover aspects of cybersecurity governance, creating a potential interoperability problem among the technical resources. For this reason, the EU commission started to finance research and innovation actions aimed at cross-sector cyber risk evaluation frameworks and ENISA started studies and published guidance on this regard.
- Recently, cybersecurity projects started to stimulate industrial research in key digital areas, such as Collaborative ITS, Traffic Management Plans and Regulations, and situation awareness. Initiatives such as the C-Roads platform, or the NAPCORE project aim at initiating a set of international standards agreed and supported by the operators.
- Cybersecurity is a key enabler for those critical sectors who embrace digitalization.

### **About ASECAP:**

***ASECAP is the European Association of Operators of Toll Road Infrastructures across 18 member countries representing 125 companies employing more than 44.000 direct jobs and 200.000 indirect jobs. They operate, maintain, manage a network of more than 81.000 km with a long-term vision that ensures highest quality standards to make the road infrastructure safest thank to the user/payer principle providing sustainable financing.***

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