

WELCOME TO WEM CYBER

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Newsletter #2



October Is Giving Main Cyber Energy

Hi everyone,

It's Cybersecurity Awareness Month, and while the rest of the world is busy reminding everyone to update their passwords, we've had a few other things on our to-do list.

Because cybersecurity awareness is important, but so is what happens beyond October: creating opportunities, sharing expertise, and helping more women build their careers in the field.

And on that front, things are moving! **Our first two WEM Cyber secondees have started their research placements** at partner universities. We've also received **over 100 applications from prospective mentors and coaches**, which is both exciting news.

And we're not done yet: on **27 October**, we're hosting a webinar exploring how technology, security and privacy can serve the public good.

So yes, October has been busy. But it's nice to see all those months of planning finally turning into something tangible.

[Read our latest press release about secondments](#) →

The Reading Corner

Back from Holiday? Give Yourself a Cybersecurity Reset

Holidays are a chance to switch off, but our digital lives rarely take the same break. By the time we return home, we may have accumulated more digital clutter than we realise.



[Read it if your inbox needs a post-holiday detox](#) →

The Missing Link in Europe's Cybersecurity Skills Agenda



Cybersecurity is a critical condition to Europe's competitiveness, resilience and preparedness. Yet the policy conversation often stops at a familiar conclusion: Europe needs more cyber skills.

[Read if you think Europe's cyber skills gap is more than just numbers](#) →

 You might also like:

CYBER AWARENESS MONTH WEBINAR

CYBERSECURITY FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD

Tuesday, 27 October



Annika Wägenbauer
Founder & Strategic Partner
Cybersecurity Redefined

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What's next?

More WEM Cyber secondees will begin their research placements across Europe, while our mentoring and coaching activities get underway. We'll be sharing their experiences, introducing the people behind the programme, and keeping you posted. **Stay tuned!**



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