



# WELCOME TO MERAKI

THE ULTIMATE CHALLENGE FOR YOUR BRAIN AND YOUR FINGERS. THIS EVENT IS ALL ABOUT CRACKING NUMBER PATTERNS, SOLVING UNIQUE PUZZLES AND UNLOCKING SECRETS.

ARE YOU READY TO PROVE YOUR SKILLS?

THE EVENT IS DIVIDED INTO 4 STAGES, EACH ONE HARDER THAN THE LAST. THE STAGES ARE PRESENT AS FOLDERS IN THIS DIRECTORY. INSIDE THE STAGES ARE PDF FILES THAT CONTAIN THE CLUES AND THE TASKS FOR EACH STAGE. TO OPEN A PDF FILE, YOU NEED A KEY (A FLAG) THAT YOU GET FROM COMPLETING THE PREVIOUS STAGE.

FOR EXAMPLE, TO OPEN STAGE 2, YOU NEED THE FLAG FROM STAGE 1.

SOUNDS EASY, RIGHT? WELL, THERE ARE SOME RULES YOU HAVE TO FOLLOW:

- ALL PASSWORDS USED TO UNLOCK THE PDF'S ARE TO BE ENTERED IN CAPS
- NO INTERNET ACCESS. YOU HAVE TO RELY ON YOUR OWN KNOWLEDGE AND LOGIC.
- NO PHONES. YOU CAN'T CALL A FRIEND FOR HELP  
(OTHER THAN YOUR TEAMMATE, OF COURSE).
- NO TAMPERING WITH THE LAB SYSTEMS. YOU CAN'T HACK YOUR WAY TO VICTORY.

THE WINNERS WILL BE DECIDED BASED ON WHO FINISHES THE EVENT FIRST. IF NO ONE REACHES THE FINAL STAGE, THE NUMBER OF FLAGS COLLECTED WILL BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT. WHEN YOU GET THE FINAL FLAG, LET THE COORDINATORS KNOW ASAP SO THEY CAN VERIFY IT. YOU HAVE ONLY 1 HOUR TO COMPLETE THE EVENT, SO HURRY UP!

- GOOD LUCK AND HAVE FUN -