

# 2025 International White Hat Conference

Center for Cybercrime Investigation &  
Cybersecurity

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## Past Conferences

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2021 White Hat Conference: June 1-2, 2021

The Future of Cybercrime and Its Challenges Innovative Solutions Against  
Cybercrime

2022 White Hat Conference: June 1-2, 2022

The Evolution of Illicit Crypto Use Current Approaches and Future  
Challenges for Financial and Government Sectors

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2023 White Hat Conference: May 31–June 2, 2023

**Targeted Means to Combat Online Child Exploitation and Victimization**

2024 White Hat Conference: June 27–28, 2024

**Cybercrime Defense in Preparation for the AI and Robotics Revolution**

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## AI, Cybercrime, and Cyber Defense: Refining Innovations and Strategies for a Secure Digital Future

Hosted by Boston University; University of León, Spain; and the Center for CIC in Partnership with INCIBE (Institute of National Cybersecurity), Spain

**June 9–11, 2025**

Online and in Person

**University of León, Spain**

# Competitions

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## Cybercrime Investigation Competition

**Title:** AI, Cybercrime, and Cyber Defense

**Hosted By:** University of León, Spain, Boston University, and the Center for CIC in Partnership with INCIBE (Institute of National Cybersecurity), Spain

**Date:** June 9–11, 2025:

- June 9, 2025: White Hat Competition Day
- June 10–11, 2025: Official Conference Days

**Format:** Online and In-Person

**Location:** University of León, Spain <https://www.unileon.es>

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## **Cybercrime Investigation Competition (June 9-10)**

The White Hat Cybercrime Investigation Competition aims to identify and promote the common goals, skill sets, and legal expertise essential for a comprehensive, high-level cybercrime investigation curriculum.

Developed by Boston University and the Center for CIC, the competition uses an evidence-based digital case scenario framework that reflects real-world cybercrime incidents.

The 2025 Cybercrime Investigation Competition will be held both virtually and in person at the conference in Spain, providing participants an opportunity to:

- Engage in effective cyber-investigation training,
- Apply best practices that meet the needs of government agencies at all levels, and
- Establish training guidelines for computer forensics and digital evidence.

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## **Cybercrime Investigation Competition (June 9-10)**

Teams are formed of three members, each with knowledge in digital forensics, ethical hacking, and/or investigative reporting.

To participate, teams should send an email to Mike Toro at [miketoro@bu.edu](mailto:miketoro@bu.edu) with the following details:

- Team name
- Country they wish to represent
- Names of the three team members (deadline March 19)
- A video (maximum 1 minute) introducing the team and team members. (deadline March 26)

The teams will have the option to compete either virtually or by attending the conference in Spain.

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## Cybercrime Investigation Competition (June 9-10)

Who Can Participate:

- University/College students and practitioners working in teams.

Schedule:

- June 9 & 10: Teams participate in a 12-hour challenge focusing on digital forensics and cybercrime investigation.
- June 11: The top three teams present their findings in a mock trial setting, offering expert testimony.

Awards (Tentative):

- First Place Winner: \$ TBD\_\_\_\_\_
- Second Place Winner: \$\_\_ TBD \_\_\_\_
- Third Place Winner: \$\_ TBD \_\_\_\_



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