The Hague: a leading international **cybersecurity hotspot**

As the International City of Peace and Justice, The Hague plays an essential role in a fast-moving, digital world. As our lives have begun to gravitate online, digital security has become an important priority for governments, organisations and the general public. The Rotterdam-The Hague area is one of the most important hotspots worldwide when it comes to cybersecurity. Here, a large number of start-ups, scale-ups, corporations and governments work closely together to develop the cybersecurity solutions of the future.

Amongst others, The Hague hosts the European Cybercrime Centre of Europol (EC3), the National Cyber Security Centre and the NATO Communications and Information Agency. Choosing The Hague as a base, therefore, means gaining access to a unique tech and cybersecurity ecosystem.

There are two tech-communities and a leading security cluster situated in The Hague: The Hague Tech, incubator YES!Delft and The Hague Security Delta (HSD). Together they form an ecosystem that consists of a total of 125 organisations. Next to that, international tech-companies such as Siemens and the Indian organisation JK Technosoft have established offices in The Hague.

Top Position in the Field of Cybersecurity

The Hague Security Delta is a leading security cluster in Europe. The cluster consists of companies, governments and knowledge institutions, the so-called triple helix, that work closely together to develop innovations and knowledge. Many crucial international developments and breakthroughs in the areas of forensic research, national security, vital infrastructure and cybersecurity originate from this region. The Hague Security Delta also has strong relationships other important security clusters in Europe and worldwide. It is for these reasons that the Netherlands is a global leader when it comes to fighting cybercrime and international security breaches.

Community of Innovators and new Talent

The area surrounding the train station Laan van NOI hosts many IT and security organisations. This area is not only home to The Hague Security Delta Campus but also to big industry players such as Siemens and AT&T, fast-growing start-ups and innovation communities such as The Hague Tech and the start-up incubator YES!Delft. Anyone can develop professional skills in The Hague, as knowledge institutions such as the Cyber Security Academy (CSA) and the Internet of Things Forensic Lab of the University of Applied Sciences of Leiden are located in the city. The CSA, established in cooperation with the Leiden University, the Technical University of Delft and The Hague University of Applied Science, offers executive education.

The campus also organises many networking events and knowledge cafés. By doing so, it offers an ideal platform for economic growth, knowledge development and education in the fields of IT and security. Over 125 organisations come together to work on a common mission: To create a more digitally secure world.

The Impact
The Security
The **Hague.**

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Soft Landing Program

Created specifically for start-ups in the field of cybersecurity who are seeking opportunities to grow within the European market, The Hague offers an appealing international soft-landing program. Included in the program:

- Access to unique contacts in the cybersecurity sector
- Support to make strategic partnerships and gain capital as well as help developing a business model that increases market chances within the EU
- Coaching by, amongst others, the InnovationQuarter, the Chamber of Commerce and The Hague Security Delta

- Five meetings with potential business partners
- Tailored advice on current and future market trends, opportunities to collaborate with knowledge institutions, immigration-law and other practical matters.
- A free meeting location at the HSD-campus

Interested?

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National and Regional Strength
(Source: InnovationQuarter)

Fastest mobile internet
The Netherlands has the largest broadband penetration & fastest mobile internet in the EU

largest cybersecurity community
Europe's largest cybersecurity community is located in The Hague

60%
of all Forbes 2000 companies active in the IT industry have operations in the Netherlands

4,500
students at research universities in IT-related disciplines
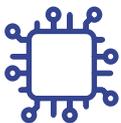
leading position
Our region has a leading position in quantum technology

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