

Invitation & Application Guidelines



Do not miss your chance to meet with fellow cybersecurity entrepreneurs and industry leaders and attend the pitches & B2B meetings

The European Competence Centre ([ECCC](#)), the Danish National Competence Centre, the Danish Business Authority ([ERST](#)), the Danish Agency for Digital Government ([DIGEST](#)), [CenSec](#), [DigitalLead](#), [Aalborg University](#) and [Women4Cyber](#) have the pleasure of inviting you to the Danish edition of the ECCC Access-2-Finance Series, powered by ECCO, scheduled on the 9th May 2023 in Copenhagen, Denmark.

The most promising European cybersecurity start-ups and scale-ups will have a chance to pitch their innovative cybersecurity solutions and hold B2B meetings with the leading investors and corporates from around Europe. The Danish edition of the ECCC Access-2-Finance series will be organised back-to-back the [V2 Security Conference](#) (10th-11th May 2023) and will take place in-person.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: 2nd April 2023 17:00 CET

ECCC cybersecurity business matchmaking events are designed to:

- Cover different investment phases, ranging from seed to strategic investment and M&A,
- Give exposure to potential corporate customers and business partners.

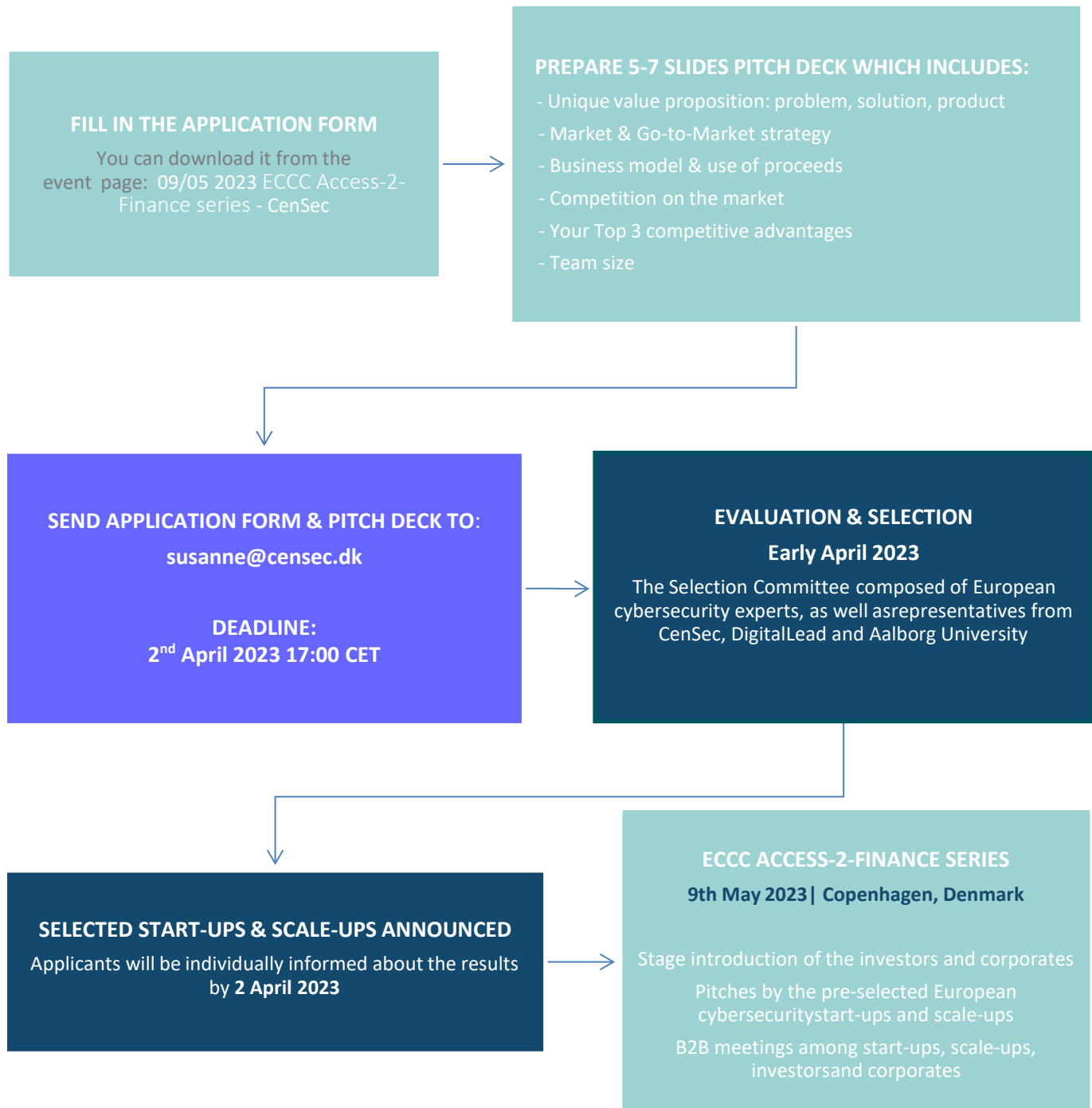
ECSSO STARTup Award 2023. The two best cybersecurity companies participating in the Danish edition of the ECCC Access-2-Finance series will be nominated to compete for the ECSSO STARTup Award 2023. Nominees will be selected by the local jury and will be invited to participate in the final competition, which will be held early 2024. During the final ceremony, nominees will pitch to the European jury and will have a unique opportunity to present themselves to high-level investors, corporate executives and cybersecurity experts. For more information, click [here](#).

Women STARTup Award. To give recognition to the cybersecurity companies founded or co-founded by women and/or to the companies with at least 50% female employees, the Women STARTup Award will be given to the female-led company, selected by the jury for the ECCC Access-2-Finance series and European Cybersecurity STARTup Award.

See the 'Application Roadmap' on the following page. Good luck with your submission!

APPLICATION ROADMAP

The selection of the participating start-ups and scale-ups is based on the most innovative solutions to be presented to investors and corporates



About the organisers

European Cybersecurity Competence Centre (ECCC)

The European Cybersecurity Competence Centre (ECCC) aims to increase Europe's cybersecurity capacities and competitiveness, working together with a Network of National Coordination Centres (NCCs) to build a strong cybersecurity Community.

The Centre and the Network will pool resources from the EU, its Member States, as well industry, academia and other stakeholders, to improve and strengthen technology and industrial cybersecurity capacities, enhancing EU's open strategic autonomy.

The Centre will manage 2021-2027 EU funding from the Digital Europe and Horizon Europe Programmes, as well as contributions from Member States. In 2021-2022 the EU is investing more than €300 million in topics such as cyber threat intelligence, cybersecurity upgrades in SMEs, cyber in the health sector, cyber secured hardware and operating systems, or training and skills.

For more information on the Centre, including future funding and job opportunities, follow the Centre on [Twitter](#) and on [the web](#).

CenSec

CenSec – Center for Defence, Space & Security – is the Danish business cluster for stakeholders within the defence, space and security industry. CenSec has around 190 members consisting of Danish and international SMEs, larger companies, knowledge institutions and research and technological organisations. Our mission is to develop business networks among small and medium-sized enterprises and knowledge institutions in the defence, space and security industries: [CenSec - Center for Defence, Space & Security in Denmark](#)

DigitalLead

DigitalLead is Denmark's national cluster for digital technologies with strong regional roots via hubs spread across the country. DigitalLead works to transfer Danish research and knowledge in digitalization and technology development into new and better commercial solutions and the growth of digital Denmark. DigitalLead has strong partnerships with Aalborg University, University of Copenhagen, Danish Technological Universe, Aarhus University, University of Southern Denmark, IT University of Copenhagen, Roskilde University, Copenhagen Business School and the GTS-institutes Alexandra Institute and Force Technology, as well as more than 500 companies: [DigitalLead - Danmarks nationale klynge for digitale teknologier](#)

Aalborg University

Aalborg University (AAU) is an internationally acclaimed university with its very own specific learning model - the Aalborg model for problem based learning.

Students work in groups applying problem oriented methods in preparing projects of a high academic standard to solve real world challenges. As such we strive to achieve sustainable solutions and define and take part in missions that help solve real problems for real people. These missions are the driving force behind our work where we work closely with industries, organizations and government to contribute with knowledge for the world. AAU is ranked the best university in Europe in engineering, ranks eighth in the field worldwide and holds a top ten on the most important ranking of the world's universities and their contribution to the UN Sustainable Development Goals: [AAU - Viden for verden - Aalborg Universitet](#)