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Inspired by Brittany: CAMPUS turns regional cyber experience into practical resilience

Inspired by the French Bretagne Cyber Campus and the Brittany Cyber Alliance, 10 partners from 7 countries are mapping regional needs, sharing proven solutions and helping businesses and public organisations prepare for digital disruption.

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A cyber incident can stop a production line, delay a municipal service or cut an organisation off from essential data. For small businesses and public institutions, even a short disruption can become costly. CAMPUS - Digital campuses for European resilience - starts from a practical truth: digital resilience is not only an information technology challenge; it depends on preparedness, cooperation and public policy.

The Interreg Europe project takes as its starting point a working French example: the Bretagne Cyber Campus, the regional hub of the national Cyber Campus initiative. Connected through the Brittany Cyber Alliance, it is not a single building but a decentralised ecosystem linking public authorities, companies, universities, researchers, training providers and cybersecurity specialists. It turns cyber risks into coordinated regional action through training, working groups, advice and practical tools.

Cybersecurity is an investment, not a cost. CAMPUS helps regions turn that principle into better policies, stronger cooperation and practical support for organisations.

The journey began in Rennes

The project started in May 2025 with ten partners from seven countries. At the first in-person meeting in Rennes in September 2025, the partnership stepped inside the Brittany model. Over three days, exchanges with Le Pool x La French Tech Rennes - St Malo, Cyberschool, research teams and Orange Cyberdefense showed how education, innovation support, public policy and specialist expertise can turn a regional ambition into services and action.

Ten territories, ten different starting points

Rennes did not offer a structure to copy. A model must first be understood, then adapted. Each CAMPUS territory therefore examined its own digital landscape using the Strengths, Challenges, Options, Responses and Effectiveness (SCORE) framework, looking at the personal sphere, business and public services, with cybersecurity running across all three.

The analyses showed different levels of digital maturity, from coordinated ecosystems to fragmented responsibilities and skills gaps. Yet the shared needs were clear: stronger cooperation, practical support for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and public institutions, more resilient infrastructure, and better preparation before disruption occurs.

Székesfehérvár: where diagnosis became direction

The second international partner meeting in Székesfehérvár, Hungary, turned these findings into a shared European conversation. Over two days, partners compared their analyses and asked what each region needs to remain functional, competitive and trusted when digital systems come under pressure.

The meeting closed the regional scouting phase and opened the search for solutions. Sessions on cybersecurity, blockchain, educational technology and the DigitalTech European Digital Innovation Hub brought businesses, public institutions and support organisations into the discussion. Székesfehérvár became the bridge between understanding the problem and finding approaches that could respond to it.

Eleven good practices: different routes to the same goal

That search produced 11 good practices. On 17 June 2026, 23 participants from eight European regions met online to examine solutions ranging from smart classrooms and practical cyber challenges to support for public institutions, shared cloud infrastructure, regional clusters, hackathons and evidence tools such as the Cyber Barometer.

For SMEs, the practices show how trusted advice, training and innovation networks can make cybersecurity support easier to use. For public organisations, they offer ideas for protecting essential services and building capacity with limited resources. For citizens, the result is more reliable services, safer data and better-prepared organisations.

The exchange also confirmed that a successful practice cannot simply be copied and pasted. Transfer depends on governance, funding, stakeholder ownership, skills and long-term evidence. CAMPUS is examining those conditions so that promising ideas can become realistic regional actions rather than isolated examples.

Why this matters now

- For businesses: fewer barriers to trusted cybersecurity support, skills and partners.
- For public organisations: stronger services, infrastructure and preparedness for disruption.
- For regions and citizens: policies that connect digital innovation with safety, trust and continuity.

Next stop: Tampere

The next stage will take place at the third CAMPUS project meeting in Tampere, Finland, on 22-23 September 2026. Partners will examine which of the 11 practices best match their territorial challenges and what would be required to adapt them. The longer-term goal is clear: to improve regional policies so that digital resilience becomes part of economic development, public-service planning and everyday organisational practice across Europe.

Follow the CAMPUS journey

Read the first CAMPUS newsletter, explore the 11 good practices and follow the partnership as it moves from regional insight towards policy improvement.

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About CAMPUS

CAMPUS - Digital campuses for European resilience is an Interreg Europe project running from 1 May 2025 to 31 July 2029. It brings together ten partners from seven countries to improve regional development policies under the Smarter Europe policy objective. Starting from the example of the Bretagne Cyber Campus, the partnership uses territorial analysis, interregional exchange and the adaptation of good practices to strengthen digital resilience across the personal sphere, business and public services, with cybersecurity as a cross-cutting priority.

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