



## Cyber and Technology News Digest For August

### Azerbaijan

#### In the first half of the year, the State Service found 373 vulnerabilities in state information systems

In the first half of 2023, as a result of the audit checks and monitoring conducted by the State Service for Special Communication and Information Security (SCIS) in state institutions, 373 security gaps and deficiencies were discovered in state information systems, audit reports were prepared and submitted to relevant institutions along with recommendations for eliminating such issues.

Source: [scis.gov.az](https://scis.gov.az) 3 August 2023

#### Trainings on combating fake news in cyberspace are being launched

The Association of Cyber Security Organizations of Azerbaijan (AKTA) will conduct a training program for journalists and media representatives called "Combating Fake News in Cyberspace" in September of this year. AKTA stated that the main goal of the trainings, which will last four weeks, is to raise awareness among media representatives about the concept of fake news and

fight against them, to encourage and support the participation of media representatives in the prevention of relevant problems.

Source: [akta.az](https://akta.az) 11 August 2023

## A register of information security and cyber security risks will be created in Azerbaijan

The information about the creation of this register is reflected in the "Strategy for information security and cyber security for 2023-2027" approved by President Ilham Aliyev. In addition, during the period covered by the Strategy, it is intended to achieve many goals, such as strengthening the protection of personal data, forming the information security and cyber security ecosystem and ensuring the security of critical information infrastructure objects.

Source: [xeberler.az](https://xeberler.az) 28 August 2023

## Organizational baselines will be created for the security of critical information infrastructures in war and emergency situations

Organizational baselines will be created to ensure the security and management of critical information infrastructures in war and emergency situations, and a risk assessment and management plan will be prepared. The main executive body in the implementation of the mentioned activities is the State Security Service of the Republic of Azerbaijan (SSS).

Source: [xeberler.az](https://xeberler.az) 28 August 2023

## Information security solutions based on artificial intelligence will be developed

Artificial intelligence-based solutions will be developed for the purpose of pre-determining potential threats and risks to information security and predicting measures to be taken. According to the approved information and cyber security strategy, State Service of Special Communication and Information Security of the Republic of Azerbaijan has been instructed to research modern technologies and solutions in the field, study application areas, develop and implement artificial intelligence-based solutions in cooperation with the State Security Service, the Ministry of Digital Development and Transport, and the Ministry of Science and Education during the period 2023-2027.

Source: [xeberler.az](https://xeberler.az) 28 August 2023

## Information security and cyber security consultation platforms will be created

According to the newly approved strategy, in 2023-2024, SCIS together with the Ministry of Internal Affairs, the Ministry of Digital Development and Transportation and State Security Service will create public-private coordination and consultation platforms in the field of information security and cyber security while ensuring the investigation of the effectiveness of various forms of cooperation, the creation of a legal basis for cooperation, the organization of obtaining and collecting information on threats, gaps, risks and other

information on a regular basis, sharing the obtained information and creating early warning mechanisms and expanding the possibilities of automating mechanisms.

Source: [apa.az](http://apa.az) 28 August 2023

## Kazakhstan

### 65 million tenge was stolen from the accounts of Kazakhstanis by a cybercriminal group

According to the police, the beginning of the investigation was the statement of a resident of the city, who became a victim of Internet fraud and lost 4 million tenge. The "bankers" called from an unknown number and, reporting a possible attack on his finances, asked him to do several online transactions on his phone to save money. So, the victim issued two loans and transferred them to supposedly "safe" accounts of the fraudsters.

As a result of several operational works, it became known that the crime was committed by a whole fraudulent group operating throughout the country.

Source: [profit.kz](http://profit.kz) 3 August 2023

### A new information system was presented for the consular services of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan

The Migration Committee of the Ministry of Labor and Social Protection of the Republic of Kazakhstan presented the automated information system called "Kandas" for assigning the status of ethnic Kazakhs and issuing an "Ata Zholy" card (a special document issued to ethnic Kazakhs who have specialties in short supply in the country) for representatives of the consular services of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan who are abroad.

Source: [kazpravda.kz](http://kazpravda.kz) 24 August 2023

## Uzbekistan

### Uzbekistan climbed in the world open data ranking

Uzbekistan, according to the Open Data Inventory (ODIN) rating, scored 70 points this year and rose to the 30th place in the world. This indicator clearly illustrates the ongoing reforms in the field of openness in the country. In the Open Data Inventory rating, 195 countries of the world were evaluated as a whole.

Source: [uzdaily.uz](http://uzdaily.uz) 9 August 2023



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