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Ukrtelecom and Institute of Special Communications and Information Protection of Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute develop strategic partnership



Ukrtelecom and Institute of Special Communications and Information Protection of National Technical University of Ukraine “Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute” have announced that their partnership has reached a strategic level. This cooperation aims to strengthen the practical component in the training of highly qualified specialists in the fields of information and communications technology and cybersecurity of state information resources and critical information infrastructure facilities.

The partnership involves:

- exchange of expertise and practical experience,
- delivery of lectures, seminars, and workshops,
- establishment of modern educational laboratories.

At earlier stages of the collaboration, a series of workshops was held for the academic and research staff of the Institute. Ukrtelecom experts – Chief Technical Officer Dmytro Mykityuk, Chief Information Officer Pavlo Holitsyn, and Head of IT Security Department Yevhen Alekseiev – shared practical case studies on the design of modern network architecture for a fixed-line operator and the implementation of effective cybersecurity models for infocommunication systems. The acquired knowledge is already being incorporated into the Institute’s educational programmes.

The next step will be the establishment of a training laboratory equipped with cutting-edge communication technology from leading global manufacturers. Ukrtelecom will provide the technical equipment for the laboratory and will also offer expert and advisory support for its further development.

Yuriy Kurmaz, CEO of Ukrtelecom:

“Critical digital infrastructure must be scalable, reliable, and secure — it must be capable of meeting the challenges of our time. We are making systematic investments in cybersecurity, as well as in the modernisation and development of our network infrastructure, and we are pleased to share our practical expertise. By working together with the academic

community, we aim to help train a new generation of professionals equipped to respond to today's threats and challenges."

Brigadier General Oleksandr Puchkov, Head of the Institute of Special Communications and Information Protection at Igor Sikorsky KPI:

"The development of our partnership presents a unique opportunity to integrate the practical expertise of one of the country's leading electronic communications providers into the training of our graduates. This is more than just an exchange of knowledge — it is a strategic step towards shaping a generation of specialists capable of effectively protecting the state's information resources and critical infrastructure. It is an investment in the future of our national cybersecurity — one that is particularly timely and valuable today."