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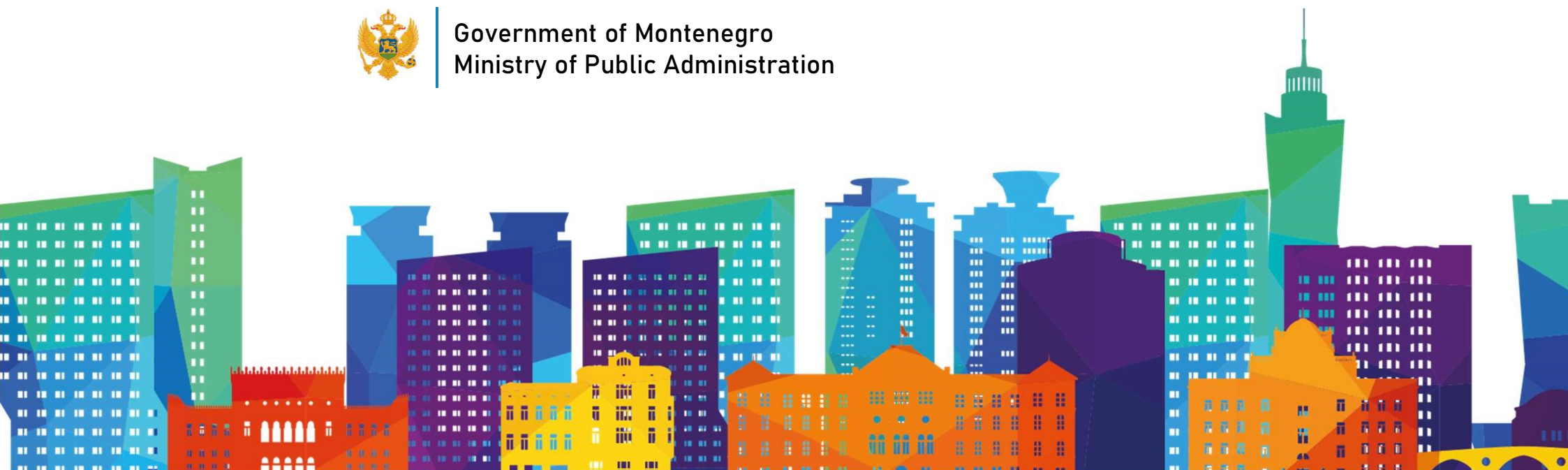


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The tripartite initiative



France



Slovenia



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WB3C - The tripartite initiative

- WB3C will have the **legal status of an international organization**.
- The main goal - **to build the capacity of the WB6 countries for cyber security and the fight against cyber crime**.
- The **first center of its kind in the Western Balkans**.
- Educational hub for WB6 in field of **cyber security, cyber awareness and cyber diplomacy**.

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Activities so far

- November 16, 2022 – signed the **Letter of Intention** for establishing the WB3C, between France, Slovenia & Montenegro
- Established management structure – **Steering Committee**; established **5 working groups**; appointed **national coordinators** for each country
- In addition to a large number of online SC meetings, **two Steering Committee in-person meetings were held in Paris and Ljubljana**

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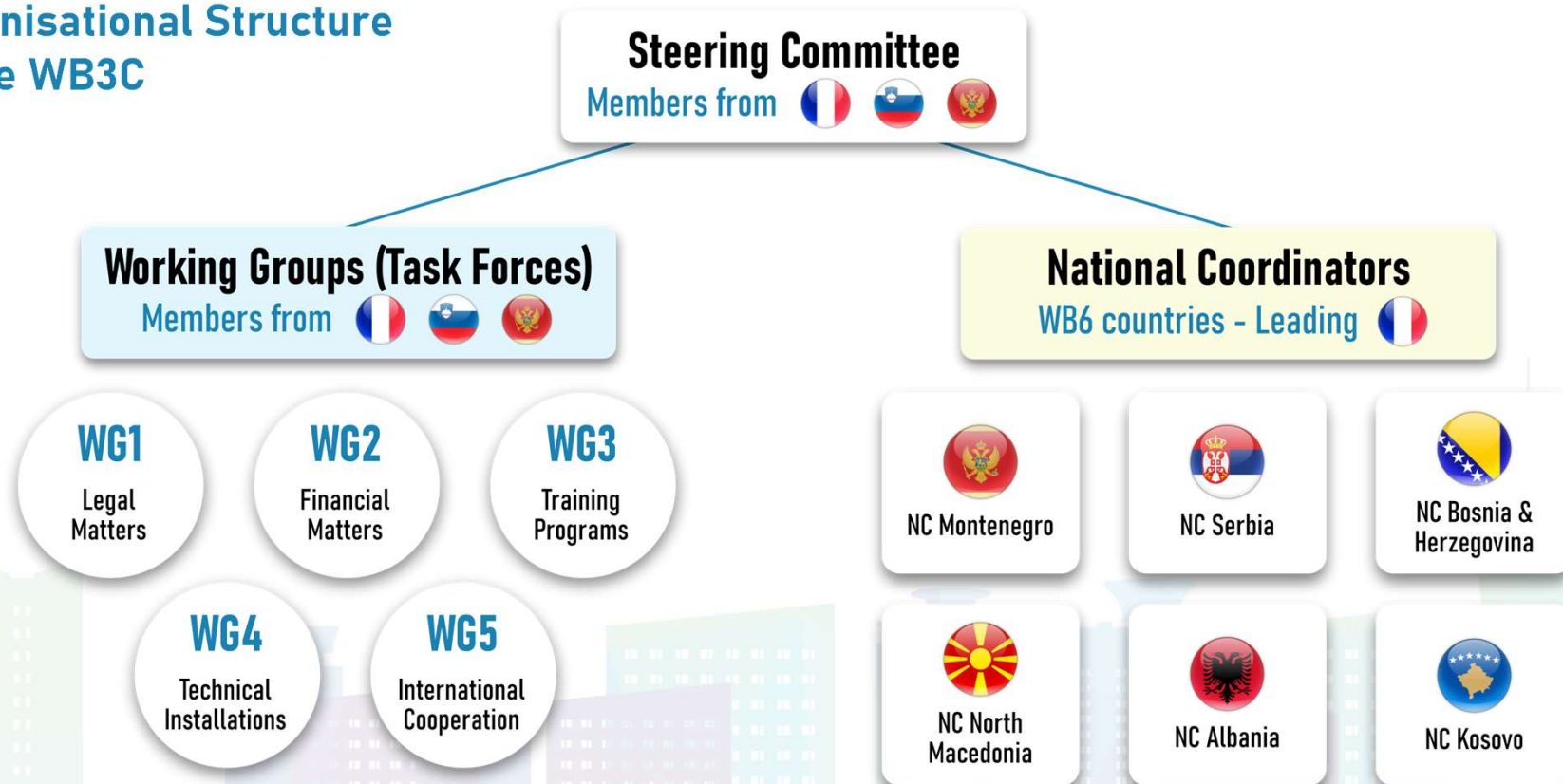


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Organisational Structure of the WB3C



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Activities so far (Cont.)

- **Provided premises for WB3C** within the Montenegrin Science and Technology Park
- **The first training** in the field of **cyber hygiene** was successfully organized at the beginning of May 2023

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Planned activities

- Two more trainings are scheduled until the end of 2023 - for the **judiciary** (October) and **the police** (November)
- Next **in-person Steering Committee meeting** will be held in **Podgorica**, at the start of October
- Planned **formalization and signification of the Agreement on the establishing of the WB3C** till the end of 2023

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Planned activities (Cont.)

- Planned **signification of the Letter of Intent** with other WB6 countries till the end of 2023
- **Contruction works on premises** for WB3C are ongoing, and planned to be finished till the end od 2023

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