

Digital Innovation Summit Bucharest - DISB 2026

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The 2026 edition of the traditional international conference *Digital Innovation Summit Bucharest (DISB)*, organized - under the high patronage of the President of the Chamber of Deputies and of the Romanian Government - by the *National Institute for Research and Development in Informatics (ICI Bucharest)* - took place between March 10-12, in the generous space offered by the building of the Romanian Parliament.



The Romanian Parliament building that hosted the DISB 2026 works

The Summit integrated a series of conferences with a long-standing national and international tradition, including the following ones:

- Critical Infrastructure Protection Forum (CIP Forum) – 9th edition, focused on dual-use technologies and artificial intelligence;
- International Conference on Cyber Diplomacy (ICCD) – 5th edition;
- Blockchain Intelligence Forum – 2nd edition;
- International Conference on Virtual Learning (ICVL) – 21st edition;
- National Conference on Virtual Education (CNIV) – 24th edition.



The conferences organized within the DISB 2026 conferences provided the opportunity for intense debates on a diverse range of issues, circumscribed to the Summit's theme.

Below we will mention some issues of special interest to IJISC readers, which were addressed during the conference.

The first day of the summit was dedicated to the theme “*Dual-Use Innovation for Resilient Critical Infrastructure.*” Discussions underlined the role of emerging technologies and dual-use innovation in strengthening the resilience of critical infrastructure, within a regional and international context marked by complex challenges.

The agenda features high-level interventions from representatives of the Romanian Government, Parliament, national regulatory and cybersecurity authorities, as well as experts and institutional partners from European Union and NATO member states.

The *DISB 2026* agenda addressed topics such as artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, critical infrastructure protection, blockchain, digital governance, digital education, and international cooperation in emerging technologies.



Adrian-Victor Vevera, PhD, the General Director of the National Institute for Research and Development in Informatics - ICI Bucharest (left) - the Chairman of DISB conferences and Professor Ioan C. Bacivarov, PhD, the President of the Romanian Association for Information Security Assurance (RAISA) - the Chairman of Cybercon Romania conferences

“We are living in a time when technology is redefining the economic and security architecture of states. *Digital Innovation Summit Bucharest 2026* brought together institutional leaders and international experts to build a common response to these transformations. Romania has both the capacity and the responsibility to actively contribute to this agenda,” mentioned Dr. *Adrian-Victor Vevera*, the coordinator of *DISB 2026*.

The *Romanian Association for Information Security Assurance (RAISA)* was represented at *DISB 2026* by Professor Emeritus *Ioan C. Bacivarov*, PhD, the President of *RAISA*. He presented - during the debates in the cybersecurity field - several considerations regarding the future of this important field and highlighted *RAISA*'s concerns in this direction, materialized in particular through the organization of the *Cybercon Romania* conferences and the coordination and publication of the *International Journal of Information Security and Cybercrime (IJISC)*.

To conclude, the *Digital Innovation Summit Bucharest* has established itself as a strategic dialogue platform dedicated to digital transformation, bringing together decision-makers, institutional leaders, international experts, representatives of academia, and the private sector in a framework focused on cooperation, public policy, and applied solutions.