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Letter of Appreciation to Siemens AG, Business Unit Electrification and Automation

On behalf of the NATO Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence (CCDCOE), I would like to express our sincere appreciation for your valuable contribution to Exercise Locked Shields 2026.

We greatly value your support through generously providing your expertise, dedicated personnel, and systems to develop and deliver the Energy Grid environment for the exercise. This remarkable contribution included the **SIPROTEC 5, DIGSI 5; SICAM 8 with SICAM S 8000 and SICAM HMI, SICAM Device Manager, SICAM Grid Pass with Role Based Access Control; SICAM Enhanced Grid Sensor; Electrification X with Distribution Grid Monitoring and OT Companion**. Your personnel's expertise, commitment, and willingness to collaborate enhanced the quality and overall success of the exercise. Contributions such as yours are essential to strengthening collective cyber defence capabilities and ensuring the continued realism and relevance of Locked Shields.

Locked Shields is the world's most complex and demanding cyber defence exercise, organised annually by the NATO CCDCOE in Tallinn, Estonia. In 2026, more than 4,000 participants from 42 nations took part in the exercise, defending real systems against real-time attacks while addressing technical, forensic, legal, strategic communications, and decision-making challenges. The preparation for Exercise Locked Shields 2026 ran from September 2025 until May 2026.

Exercise Locked Shields 2026

20 April – 24 April 2026

With deepest gratitude for your support and partnership.

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