



# European Critical Infrastructures

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## ABSTRACT

This article approaches the issue of critical infrastructure at European level. The whole European Community pays an increased attention to the critical infrastructures starting from the terrorist events of 11.09.2001. Presently, the policy and strategy regarding critical infrastructures security is more important than ever being given the current realities (growing number of terrorist attacks, radicalized European citizens and seizing terrorist expansion, Islamic State). Critical infrastructure must be protected as its high vulnerability affects the citizen safety as well as the national security and even the European one, creating difficulties in the smooth functioning of society and institutions. This article approaches the critical infrastructures in terms of their dynamism. It also presents the ways to provide their protection, safety and security and the European Program for Critical Infrastructures Protection. An important element is also the cooperation way at international level regarding the critical infrastructure. Research methods used for the achievement of this article were mainly qualitative, consisting of observation, study of documents and comparative analysis of bibliographic sources.

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