

Appendix 3 Risk assessment

Definition	1	2	3	4	5
Territorial A fundamental threat to European member states' monopoly on violence and/or territorial integrity	Some EU member states are verbally threatened with a military or terrorist attack	All/almost all EU member states are verbally threatened with a military or terrorist attack	Some EU member states experience a military or terrorist attack	All/almost all EU member states experience a military or terrorist attack	One or more EU member states is/are occupied (or destroyed)
Economic Harm to the economic foundations of the EU and its member states	There is damage to the economy which causes a nuisance, but no fundamental disruption	Some EU member states experience major economic damage (5%) or a trade downturn (5%) for several years	All/almost all EU member states experience major economic damage (5%) or a trade downturn (5%) for several years	Some EU member states experience disastrous economic damage or a severe trade downturn	All/almost all EU member states
Societal Harm to the foundations of a peaceful European social climate and the democratic rule of law in the member states and/or European institutions	There are social tensions and there is dissatisfaction with politicians, but not of a sufficient degree to cause fundamental harm	In some member states there is regular conflict between groups OR virtually no confidence in national and European politicians/ institutions	In all/almost all member states there is regular conflict between groups OR virtually no confidence in national and European politicians/ institutions	In some member states there are large-scale protests over several days accompanied by destruction and violence against authority figures (EU/ national) OR other groups	In all/almost all member states there are large-scale protests over several days accompanied by destruction and violence against authority figures (EU/national) OR other groups
Ecological Fundamental harm to the European living environment	There is deterioration of the living environment, but not enough to cause fundamental damage	In some member states some (10-100) people die in natural disasters, and some biodiversity disappears	In all/almost all member states some (10-100) people die in natural disasters, and some biodiversity disappears	In some member states many (>100) people die in natural disasters, and much biodiversity disappears	In all/almost all member states many (>100) people die in natural disasters, and much biodiversity disappears
Technological Harm to the integrity and openness of essential information or information systems of the EU and/or its member states	Cyberattacks occur, but there are no integrity breaches to essential information and information systems	In some member states, European companies (large and small) or European governments are victims of large-scale and successful cyberattacks and espionage relating to essential information	In all/almost all member states, European companies (large and small) or European governments are victims of large-scale and successful cyberattacks and espionage relating to essential information	In some member states the critical digital infrastructure experiences prolonged paralysis	In all member states the critical digital infrastructure experiences prolonged paralysis