

Brief Company history

During its more than 25 years of operation, Kaspersky has made a huge contribution to the development of information security technologies used by individuals, companies and government agencies in more than 200 countries around the world.

1989 Eugene Kaspersky discovers a virus called Cascade.1704 on his Olivetti M24 work computer and creates his first virus removal tool.

June 26, 1997

Kaspersky is established as a company

1999 The Company opens its first overseas office in the UK.

2001 Kaspersky Anti-Virus software developed by the Company for portable devices is supplied to Russia with Palm, Handspring and Sony pocket computers.

2003 Kaspersky opens offices in Japan, Germany, France, Spain, Italy and China.

2004 Kaspersky becomes the world's first antivirus software developer to update its antivirus databases every hour.

The company opens its first office in the U.S.A.

2007 The Company presents the Kaspersky Open Space Security line of business products.

2008 The Global Research & Analysis Team (GReAT) is created.

2009 Kaspersky hosts the first conference for information security researchers and analysts from around the world – Security Analyst Summit.

2009 The Company sponsors an expedition to Antarctica and would go on to sponsor two more Antarctic expeditions and the 7 Volcanoes expedition.

2013 The Company begins cooperating with INTERPOL.

2016 Kaspersky, along with Europol and Intel Security, launches the No More Ransom initiative, which would soon be joined by dozens of countries and information security development companies.

2017 The Company releases its own secure KasperskyOS operating system, which provides protection against any threats, including unknown ones.

2018 Kaspersky launches the Global Transparency Initiative.

The first Transparency Center opens in Zurich, Switzerland.

2019 The Company undergoes rebranding and states its mission as "Building a Safer World".

Transparency Centers open in Spain, Malaysia and Brazil.

2020 During the pandemic, Kaspersky provides free licenses for key products to medical institutions around the world.

Transparency Center opens in Canada.

2021 Kaspersky provides access to the Software Bill of Materials (SBOM), helping customers and partners understand what's inside its products and software.

The Company finalizes a deal with Brain4Net and receives a new impetus for the development of its XDR platform.

Kaspersky continues its strategy of business diversification and investment in promising IT businesses by increasing its stake in the capital of MyOffice and purchasing shares in ForPeople, which develops solutions to automate HR processes.

The Company also acquires a 15 percent stake in Motiv NT, which it employed to continue working on the creation of Russia's first neuromorphic processor.

2022 The Kaspersky Cyber Immunity® trademark is registered in the European Union (EU).

2023 Transparency Centers open in the Saudi Arabia and Rwanda.