# CYBERCRIME



# AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

A series of online seminars hosted by the European Union and the Council of Europe

### Rationale

The UN Intergovernmental Expert Group on Cybercrime (IEG) was established in 2010 "to conduct a comprehensive study of the problem of cybercrime and responses to it by Member States, the international community and the private sector, including the exchange of information on national legislation, best practices, technical assistance and international cooperation, with a view to examining options to strengthen existing and to propose new national and international legal or other responses to cybercrime". In 2020, the IEG is to discuss the chapters on international cooperation and prevention of the Comprehensive Draft Study on Cybercrime, as contained in the work plan of the Expert Group for 2018-2021. In December 2019, the UN General Assembly resolution A/RES/74/247 initiated a new, parallel process. The resolution mandates the establishment of an open-ended ad hoc intergovernmental committee of experts, representative of all regions, to elaborate a comprehensive international convention on 'countering the use of information and communications technologies for criminal purposes'. The process is to begin with a three-day organisational session in August 2020.

#### Objectives

The proposed series of webinars aims to facilitate the new process through the sharing of experience between criminal justice practitioners, who are to be the beneficiaries of a future UN treaty on cybercrime, and foreign policy experts, who will be involved in the negotiation of this treaty. The webinars will focus on:

- > The concept of cybercrime as a matter of criminal justice
- The question of cybercrime legislation and reforms already undertaken by governments worldwide
- > The challenge of international cooperation in practice
- > The experience of capacity building

#### Participants

This series of webinars is aimed primarily at foreign affairs officials working on cybercrime and United Nations matters in New York (diplomatic missions to UN HQ), Vienna (diplomatic missions to UNODC) and capitals (Ministries of Foreign Affairs) as well as cybercrime and criminal justice experts from competent public authorities (for example from Ministries of Interior, Justice or Communications, and public prosecution or Attorney General's office).

This event is co-organised with







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#### Planning

Day	Time (UTC)	Seminar details
24 June 2020	7.00 AM – 8.45 AM	Seminar with Asia-Pacific countries (English) Register here
7 July 2020	8.00 AM – 9.45 AM	Seminar with African countries (English) <ul> <li>Register here</li> </ul>
9 July 2020	8.00 AM – 9.45 AM	Seminar with African countries (French) Register here
20 July 2020	3.00 PM – 4.45 PM	Seminar with Latin American and Caribbean countries (English) > <u>Register here</u>
22 July 2020	3.00 PM – 4.45 PM	Seminar with Latin American and Caribbean (Spanish) > <u>Register here</u>

#### Modalities

Duration	100 minutes	
Format	<ul> <li>&gt; Live online with one presentation maximum 10 minutes per segment, followed by the discussion;</li> <li>&gt; Pre-seminar information package prepared by the EU Cyber Direct, including presentations and introduction to the seminar will be distributed ahead of the meeting. The package will include: factsheet, bibliography, power point presentations.</li> <li>&gt; The seminars will be recorded and may or may not be published subsequently</li> </ul>	
Process	<ul> <li>Pre-registration of participants will be required</li> <li>Certificate of attendance can be issued by the Council of Europe upon request</li> </ul>	
Number of participants	About 4 per participating country	
Platform	Zoom Meetings	

## About EU Cyber Direct

The EU Cyber Direct project supports EU cyber diplomacy efforts and consequently contributes to the development of a secure, stable and rules-based international order in cyberspace through extensive dialogues with strategic partner countries and regional/international organisations. EU Cyber Direct is funded by the European Commission under the Partnership Instrument, International Digital Cooperation project: Trust and Security in Cyberspace.