Messaging Anti-Abuse Working Group

MAAWG cooperation against cybercrime

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Messaging & cybercrime

- International industry open consortium since 2004
- 184 member companies worldwide
  - ISPs & webmail providers, vendors, senders, registrars
  - representing ~ 1 billion mailboxes
- Pre-normative and influential
  - not a standards organisation, not a certification body
- Not a lobbying organisation
- Main output: anti-abuse operational best practices
  - recommendations on port 25, botnets, walled gardens, webmail, phishing, …
  - quarterly: "abusive mail" metrics reports (~ 500 M mailboxes)
  - occasionally: responses to consultations
- Liaisons (APWG, IETF, GSMA, …)
- Cooperation with authorities
  - member of London Action Plan
  - direct participation of LEA, joint meetings and training seminars
  - creation of MAAWG metrics programme in 2005 (OECD request)
  - ? CoE Global Project on Cybercrime

Messaging & cybercrime

- MAAWG General Meetings
  - 3 every year (one in Europe)
  - Technical: committee work to progress operational best practices, panels on emerging threats, tutorials, alerts, etc
  - Collaborative: exceptional international meeting ground for anti-abuse staff

- GM # 19: Barcelona, 7-10 June 2010
  - with focus on mobile abuse
- GM # 20: Washington DC, 4-6 October 2010
  - with focus on public policy issues

- Thank you !