# Lessons in cybercrime legislation - Philippines

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#### Year 1 (2007) *Find champions*

- 1. Initial contact COE and Ministry of Justice
- 2. Assessment of laws Country profile
- 3. National cooperation
- Private sector + public sector
  - Criminal law approach
- 4. First international conference

### Year 2 (2008) Focus efforts

- 1. Convened technical working group (TWG)
- 2. Consolidate all bills, compliant with CoC
- 3. Issues
  - Spectrum of crimes
  - Separate entity?
  - 24/7 contact?
- 4. Invitation to accede

#### Year 3 (2009) Forging legislation

- 1. Bicameral congress
  - Senate
  - House of Representatives
- 2. Final bill reported out of ICT committee, for appropriations, for plenary
- 3. Constant advocacy
- 4. International cooperation

## Challenges

- · Prioritization of cybercrime bill
- Technical expertise technology & law
- · Bundling with constitutional rights

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