



**GLACY+**

**Global action on Cybercrime Extended  
Action Globale sur la Cybercriminalité Elargie**

# **REGIONAL CONFERENCE**

## **POLICIES AND STRATEGIES ON CYBERCRIME FOR THE CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY**

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# OUTLINE

## Background and justification

Offences involving computers have grown rapidly both in number and in sophistication, affecting individuals, institutions, organizations and States. The cross-border and cross-sector nature and the evidential implications of cybercrimes and cyber-related crimes are significant transversal challenges not only to criminal justice but human rights, democracy and the rule of law. Effective and consistent strategies and policies on cybercrime and cyber security are therefore crucial to ensure a coherent and comprehensive response involving all stakeholders concerned.

A number of countries are in the process of developing such strategies with a strong focus on cyber security, including the establishment of Computer Emergency Response Teams (CERTs) or Computer Security Incident Response Teams (CSIRTs). Often, however, criminal justice requirements related to cybercrime and electronic evidence are not sufficiently reflected in strategies on cyber security.

Robust domestic legislation, institutional capacities for effective investigation, prosecution and adjudication of offences against and by means of computers and in fact any offence involving electronic evidence, public/private and international cooperation are essential elements of the criminal justice response and should be reflected in policies or strategies on cybercrime.

The approach of the Council of Europe – supported also by the European Union – is built on the [Budapest Convention on Cybercrime](#) which provides a guideline to any country for the development of criminal legislation on cybercrime and e-evidence and which offers Parties to this treaty a framework for international cooperation.

In the Caribbean region, several countries have moved ahead with the development of policies and strategies on cyber security, however, without fully reflecting the criminal justice response to cybercrime and electronic evidence.

The Dominican Republic – while not yet having adopted a cyber security or cybercrime policy – was the first country in Latin America acceding to the Budapest Convention and is a priority country of the project on Global Action on Cybercrime Extended ([GLACY+](#)) of the Council of Europe and the European Union since 2016. In December 2017, the Dominican Republic hosted the first [Cybercrime Forum for the Americas](#) with the participation of countries also from the Caribbean Community. It was agreed on that occasion that the Dominican Republic would host a follow up event specifically for the Caribbean region.

The CARICOM region is currently working on a single ICT Space and is seeking on how to develop, implement and sustain a regional framework for cybercrime in a harmonized way. In this regard, the Budapest Convention, being the only international binding instrument on cybercrime worldwide is the most suitable model for countries to elaborate and/or align their national legislation with international standards. The conference will therefore offer an opportunity to share information on the features of the Budapest Convention and the procedures and advantages of accession to this treaty.

The Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Implementation Agency for Crime and Security (IMPACS) was established by the Twenty Seventh Meeting of the Conference of Heads of Government in July 2006, in Bird Rock, St Kitts and Nevis, as the implementation arm of a new Regional Architecture to manage CARICOM's action agenda on crime and security.

At this Meeting, the Heads of Government signed an Inter-Governmental Agreement establishing the Agency as a legal entity, with direct responsibility for research, monitoring and evaluation, analysis and preparation of background documents and reports, as well as project development and implementation of the regional Crime and Security agenda.

## **Expected results**

This regional conference is carried out under the GLACY+ project, in particular result 1.1 – “Cybercrime and cyber security policies and strategies strengthened in priority and a number of other countries and experience shared with further countries” - and Activity 1.1.3 – “Support regional meetings amongst relevant countries and international/ regional organizations to share experience and disseminate good practices and develop a guide on cybercrime strategies, including an inventory of existing strategies(...)”.

**Representatives of public authorities of Caribbean States participating in the Conference will have prepared proposals on possible steps to be taken in their respective countries:**

- 1. For the strengthening or development of national policies or strategies on cybercrime either as part of or separate from cybersecurity strategies;**
- 2. For the strengthening or development of domestic criminal legislation on cybercrime and electronic evidence;**
- 3. For more efficient international cooperation, including the option of accession to the Budapest Convention**
- 4. For the strengthening of criminal justice capacities on cybercrime and e-evidence.**

Each delegation is thus expected to prepare in the course of the conference – and with the support of experts – a set of proposals related to each of the topics of the event, and to present these proposals on the last day of the meeting.

## **Participants**

Officials involved in the development and reform of national policies, strategies and legislation, and any other official considered relevant to the discussions that will be held, as per the given agenda. The workshop will have a maximum number of 65 participants from the following 28 countries: Antigua and Barbuda, Anguilla, Aruba, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Colombia, Cuba, Curaçao, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Mexico, Montserrat, Puerto Rico, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Sint Marteen and Suriname, Trinidad & Tobago, Turks and Caicos Islands.

## **Location**

The workshop will take place in the [Hotel Crowne Plaza](#) in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

## AGENDA

Wednesday, 12 June 2019	
09h00	<p><b>Opening event</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Manuel ALMEIDA PEREIRA, Programme Manager, GLACY+, Cybercrime Programme Office, Council of Europe, Bucharest, Romania</li> <li>- Ambassador Gianluca GRIPPA, Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the Dominican Republic, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic</li> <li>- Lt. Colonel Michael JONES, Executive Director (Ag) of the CARICOM IMPACS, Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago</li> <li>- Anthony V. TEELUCKSINGH, Senior Counsel   Computer Crime, Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Section, United States Department of Justice and Chair of the OAS/REMJA Cybercrime Working Group, Washington, USA</li> <li>- Gustavo MONTALVO, Minister of Presidency, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic</li> </ul>
09h45	<p><b>Introductory remarks (Panel)</b> Cybercrime in the Caribbean region and the action of the Council of Europe Objectives for the mission and how to achieve them The role of CARICOM and/or IMPACS in promoting cybercrime and cybersecurity policies in the region</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Lt Colonel Michael JONES, CARICOM IMPACS</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Claudio PEGUERO, General, National Police, National Coordinator for the GLACY+ Project and Member of the Cybercrime Convention Committee, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic</li> <li>- Manuel ALMEIDA PEREIRA, Programme Manager, GLACY+, Council of Europe</li> <li>- Mr. Anselm CHARLES, ICT Manager, CARICOM IMPACS</li> </ul>
10h30	Coffee break
11h00	<p><b>Current policies and strategies</b></p> <p>National policies and strategies on cyber security and cybercrime in the Caribbean region The link between cyber security and cybercrime strategies</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Rodrigo SILVA, Organization of American States, Washington, USA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation done by each delegation (4 minutes each)</li> </ul>
13h00	Lunch break
14h00	<p><b>Defining the cybercrime policy and the strategy</b> – Panel discussion (all)</p> <p>Cybercrime policy and cybercrime strategy; Key principles and priorities of the national cybercrime strategy; Vision, mission and goals of a national cybercrime strategy; Ownership of the national cybercrime strategy</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Manuel ALMEIDA PEREIRA</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Antonio LOPEZ and Uwe RASMUSSEN, Council of Europe experts</li> <li>- Anthony TEELUCKSINGH</li> </ul> <p>Discussion (15 minutes)</p>
15h30	Coffee break

16h00	<p><b>Legal framework on cybercrime and electronic evidence</b> National legal framework, international standards and technical implementation of the Budapest Convention</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Uwe RASMUSSEN</li> <li>- Anthony TEELUCKSINGH</li> </ul> <p>Discussion (15 minutes)</p>
17h30	End of Day 1

Thursday, 13 June 2019

09h00	<p><b>Capacity building for criminal justice authorities</b> – Workshop discussion (all) Judicial and prosecutorial training strategies Capacity building for LEAs</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Uwe RASMUSSEN and Antonio LOPEZ</li> <li>- Anthony TEELUCKSINGH</li> <li>- Rodrigo SILVA</li> </ul> <p>Discussion (15 minutes)</p>
10h30	Coffee break
11h00	<p><b>The role of the private sector</b> – Workshop discussion (all) Competencies and responsibilities (Research, Reporting, Digital Forensics) Public-private partnership and information sharing practices</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Uwe RASMUSSEN</li> <li>- Anthony TEELUCKSINGH</li> </ul> <p>Discussion (15 minutes)</p>
12h00	<p><b>International cooperation</b> International cooperation and the international perspective on data exchange with multi-national service providers</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Claudio PEGUERO, General, National Police, National Coordinator for the GLACY+ Project and Member of the Cybercrime Convention Committee, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jennifer BRITTON, CARICOM Secretariat</li> <li>- Uwe RASMUSSEN and Antonio LOPEZ</li> </ul> <p>Discussion (15 minutes)</p>
13h00	Lunch break
14h00	<p><b>Prevention, public awareness and education</b> – Panel discussion (all) Early warning and the role of the national CERT Cybercrime intelligence and cyber-defense: the institutional framework Prevention campaigns</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Ana ELEFTERESCU, Project Officer, Council of Europe</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Uwe RASMUSSEN</li> <li>- Jennifer BRITTON</li> <li>- Antonio LOPEZ</li> <li>- Anthony TEELUCKSINGH</li> </ul> <p>Discussion (15 minutes)</p>

15h30	Coffee Break
16h00	<p><b>Action plan</b> – Workshop discussion (all) Stakeholders Roles and responsibilities Priorities and implementation roadmap</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Manuel ALMEIDA PEREIRA</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Anthony TEELUCKSINGH</li> <li>- Antonio LOPEZ and Uwe RASMUSSEN</li> </ul> <p>Discussion (15 minutes)</p>
17h30	End of Day 2

Friday, 14 June 2019

09h00	<p><b>The Budapest Convention on Cybercrime</b> Features and accession procedure Advantages</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Manuel ALMEIDA PEREIRA</li> <li>- Claudio PEGUERO</li> <li>- Anthony TEELUCKSINGH</li> </ul> <p>Discussion (15 minutes)</p>
10h00	Coffee break
10h30	<p><b>Conclusions and recommendations</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Manuel ALMEIDA PEREIRA Presentation of country-specific proposals by delegations Facilitated by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Uwe RASMUSSEN</li> <li>- Antonio LOPEZ</li> <li>- Anthony TEELUCKSINGH</li> <li>- Anselm CHARLES</li> <li>- Rodrigo SILVA</li> <li>- Jennifer BRITTON</li> </ul>
13h30	<p><b>Closing ceremony</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Manuel ALMEIDA PEREIRA, Council of Europe</li> <li>- Anselm CHARLES, CARICOM IMPACS</li> <li>- Anthony TEELUCKSINGH, OAS-REMJA /USDoJ</li> <li>- Gustavo MONTALVO, Minister of Presidency, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic</li> </ul>
14h00	Lunch and end of the event

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