WORKSHOPS OVERVIEW

1	*Cybercrime and cyber security policies - the global outlook and the African Continent*
Room 1	*Tuesday, 16 October 2018, 14h00-17h30*

Background: *Cybercrime has become a major concern across the world, the large scale and sophistication of the cyber-attacks and the related monetary damage has been increasing at exponential rates for several years affecting governments , businesses and individuals .To address the policy challenges posed by criminal and malicious activities committed over ICT networks in a regional and continental and international compatible manner , there is a need for harmonized security frameworks and flexible mechanisms to enhance cooperation and exchange of information on cyber threats among concerned stakeholders. The definition of national strategies and consequent policies to tackle such issues has become a top priority in many African countries, and their adoption requires a strong commitment from national authorities and appropriate resources and capacities.*

Purpose: *To discuss the current status of Cybersecurity and Cybercrime policies in Africa, see how African countries deal with the complexity and international dimension of Cybersecurity policy making as well as international and regional debates over the creation of a global framework to fight transnational cybercrime. What new approaches or policies should be taken in account while drafting the national and regional legislations and how better align national laws with the international instruments and best practices?*

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Panel:

► **General Introduction**

► **Cybercrime and cyber security strategies in Africa - the general outlook**
  – World Bank
  – U.S. Department of Justice

► **Case studies and good practices**
  – Ghana
  – Morocco
  – Uganda

► **Challenges in implementing national strategies**
  – Panel discussion

► **Discussion and the way forward**

Reference materials	