## **4** *Current status of cybercrime legislation in Africa. International standards – The Budapest Convention and the Malabo Convention*

## Room 1 Wednesday 17 October, 09h30 – 13h00

<u>Background</u>: Over 80% of African countries had reforms of legislation on cybercrime and electronic evidence in place or underway at the beginning of 2018, based on findings from the <u>background desktop</u> <u>study</u> on the state of cybercrime legislation, completed by the Council of Europe. Many of these governments use the <u>Malabo</u> and the <u>Budapest</u> Conventions as guidelines in the process of drafting specific legislation, consistent with human rights and rule of law requirements. The aim of this workshop is to review the progress made so far throughout the African continent, including examples of good practices, problematic areas and lessons to be drawn.

<u>Purpose</u>: (1) To discuss the current status of cybercrime legislation in the African Continent, progress made, issues encountered (2) To assess the status of adoption and implementation of international and regional standards in the field. (3) To discuss good practices, problematic areas and the way ahead.

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## • Cybercrime legislation in Africa: State of play [60 min]

- The Malabo Convention
  - Moctar YEDALY, African Union Commission
- The Budapest Convention on Cybercrime
  - Alexander SEGER, Council of Europe
  - The journey towards the Budapest Convention: United Kingdom - Daniel GRUBB, UK
- Overview of progress made
- Discussion
- Substantive criminal law: examples of good practice [40 min]
  - Benchmarks: what is required?
  - Country example [Cape Verde]
    - Mrs. Angela Cristina MARQUES RODRIGUES, Juiz Criminal, Conselho Superior da Magistratura Judicial, Cape Verde
  - Discussion

## Procedural powers to secure electronic evidence [40 min]

- Benchmarks: what is required?
- Country examples [Ghana]
  - Mr.Albert ANTWI-BOASIAKO, National Cyber Security Advisor, Ministry of Communications, Ghana
- Discussion
- > Panel Discussion: How to ensure completion of legislative reforms in Africa? [40 min]
  - Mr. Cecil O. MASIGA, Senior Official Ministry of Transport and Communications, Botswana
  - Mr. Khumbuzo NKUNIKA, Assistant Director Ministry of Transport and Communications, Zambia

ReferenceMalabo ConventionmaterialsBudapest Convention