# 5 International cooperation in the fight against cyber-enabled financial crimes in Africa

## Room 2 | Wednesday, 17 October 2018, 9h30-13h00

<u>Background</u>: The workshop will focus on all those forms of criminal activities aimed at getting illicit financial gain by the instrumental use of information and communication technologies. In this category one can easily identify many forms of Internet-related scams, frauds, ransomware attacks, but also targeted phishing attacks such as the so-called Business Email Compromise.

They have represented an increasingly concerning issue all over the world in the past years, and have caused consistent financial losses to many organizations, both in the public and in the private sector, also in many African countries. Once more, international cooperation is essential to address these issues, surely between criminal justice authorities of the affected countries, but also with private parties – and specifically with the financial sector.

<u>Purpose</u>: The aim of this workshop is to assess the current situation in Africa as compared to the international scenario and to discuss possible approaches aimed at reducing connected risks.

<u>Chair</u>: Timothy FLOWERS, Senior Trial Attorney, Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Section at Main Justice, **U. S. Department of Justice** 

Rapporteur: Timothy Flowers, U.S. Department of Justice

#### Panel:

- ▶ General Introduction Issues at stake, global trends and threats for African countries
  - Timothy FLOWERS, U.S. Department of Justice

# Case studies – Successful investigations

Timothy FLOWERS, U.S. Department of Justice

#### **▶** Commonwealth

- Shadrach HARUNA, Commonwealth Secretariat

#### ▶ The situation in Africa

- Alhagie MBOW, Member of the Parliament, The Gambia
- Henry KAYIZA, CID Cybercrime, Uganda Police
- Ratjindua TJIVIKUA, Head of Cybercrime Investigations, Namibia

# **▶** Possible solutions

- Keong Min YOON, Legal Consultant, The World Bank
- George Maria TYENDEZWA, Head of Cybercrime Prosecution Unit, Federal Ministry of Justice on behalf of Nigeria Electronic Fraud Forum

## Discussion and the way forward

Reference	
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