

Item 10

Cyberviolence

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Cybercrime Convention Committee (T-CY)

[draft] Questionnaire on cyberviolence offences

Draft version for consideration and adoption by T-CY Plenary

Background and purpose

In 2018, the Cybercrime Convention Committee of the Council of Europe (T-CY) took note of the [Mapping Study on cyberviolence](#), and adopted its recommendations¹. The mapping study defines cyberviolence as “*the use of computer systems to cause, facilitate, or threaten violence against individuals, that results in (or is likely to result in) physical, sexual, psychological or economic harm or suffering and may include the exploitation of the individual's circumstance, characteristics or vulnerabilities.*”

The Study found that the Internet facilitates a broad range of cyber-enabled crimes, including but not limited to online harassment, privacy violations, child sexual exploitation and abuse, grooming, non-consensual sharing of intimate pictures or videos, sexual extortion, hate speech and hate crime, and trafficking in human beings facilitated by computer systems.

To collect information on domestic criminal legislation and policies in relation to cyberviolence with a view to:

- assisting current and future Parties to the Convention on Cybercrime intending to address offences related to cyberviolence in their domestic law;
- updating the Council of Europe's online Cyberviolence Resource.

The purpose is **not to** assess Parties to the Convention in terms of measures taken regarding cyberviolence.

T-CY members are invited to submit consolidated replies to this questionnaire by [10 September 2025] to the T-CY Secretariat at T-CY.secretariat@coe.int