

PROGRAMME DETAILS

GLOBAL ROUNDTABLE ON ICT SECURITY CAPACITY-BUILDING

Date: 10 May 2024, 9:45 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Venue: United Nations Headquarters, New York

Introduction

The Global Roundtable will be a full-day, in person, high-level event with a signature panel, complemented by a lunchtime “matchmaking” session and breakout groups in the afternoon to delve deeper into the specifics of capacity-building. The updated Global Roundtable schedule is appended below.

Signature Panel: Building Cyber Resilience for Sustainable Development by Bridging the Global Capacity Gap

It is clear that capacity-building is key to developing the resources, skills, policies and institutions necessary to increase the resilience and ICT security of States. It supports the framework of responsible State behaviour in the use of ICTs and contributes to the building of a safe and secure ICT environment for all, which is an essential building block for sustainable digital development. As the digital landscape evolves, it is more important and urgent than ever that capacity-building efforts are accelerated to ensure that all States can safely and securely seize the benefits of digital technologies. It is also vital that the international community come together to encourage, assist and inspire one another by sharing success stories and integrating lessons learnt into future capacity-building programmes.

This signature panel will begin with opening remarks from a geographically diverse group of panellists, followed by time for speakers from the floor to give interventions.

Questions for Discussion at the Signature Panel:

- What barriers do countries face in building the ICT security capacities required to support their sustainable development goals? How do we overcome these barriers?
- How is your country/region overcoming the capacity gap and/or assisting others to do so?
- Are there lessons in capacity building to be shared and applied internationally?

Lunchtime: Matchmaking Session

The lunchtime “matchmaking” session will be an opportunity for partners in capacity-building, including States, international organizations, and stakeholders, to showcase existing programmes and initiatives on offer. Capacity-building partners will have the opportunity to make short three minute, three slide “elevator pitch” presentations providing an overview of their available programmes. Interested States may approach presenters directly to discuss potential partnership and/or collaboration.

Afternoon: Breakout Sessions

Two concurrent breakout group sessions will provide a platform for practical discussion on concrete and action-oriented measures that States, International Organizations and stakeholders should take to improve capacity-building measures. Discussions will seek to unpack the five foundational cyber capabilities identified in the UNIDIR “**Unpacking Cyber Capacity Needs: Part I – Mapping the Cyber Foundational Capabilities**” Report. Breakout Group I will discuss the development of ICT policies and processes on a strategic level, while Breakout Group II will focus on the capacities needed to strengthen technology, people and skills and partnerships, as follows:

I. Strengthening Governance Policies and Processes

Featuring discussion on developing national cyber strategies and regulatory acts (“Policies and Regulations”) and improving governance structures (“Processes and Structures”).

II. Developing Technology, Talent and Partnerships

Featuring discussion on the development of operational and technical capacities (“Technology”), growing the talent pipeline (“People and Skills”), and partnerships (“Partnerships and Networks”).

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, 9 May

6:30pm **Welcome Reception for Participants of the Global Roundtable on ICT Security Capacity Building**

Heads of delegations are cordially invited to a welcome reception hosted by the Chair of the OEWG at the Singapore Mission

Friday, 10 May

8:00am-9:30am **Ministerial Breakfast Meeting**

9:45am-11:00am **Opening Plenary of Global Roundtable**

11:00am-1:00pm **Signature Panel: Building Cyber Resilience for Sustainable Development by Bridging the Global Capacity Gap**

1:30pm-3:00pm **Lunchtime: Matchmaking Session**

3:00pm-5:00pm **Breakout Sessions**

Group I: Strengthening Governance Policies and Processes

Group II: Developing Technology, Talent and Partnerships

5:00pm-6:00pm **Closing Plenary of Global Roundtable**