Open-ended working group on security of and in
the use of information and communications
technologies 2021–2025
Sixth substantive session
New York, 11-15 December 2023

Provisional programme of work

Note by the Secretariat

1. The sixth substantive session of the open-ended working group on security of and in the use of information and communications technologies 2021–2025, established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 75/240, will be held at Headquarters from 11 to 15 December 2023.

2. The provisional programme of work is contained in the annex to the present note. The annotated agenda for the session, as adopted at the organizational meeting, on 1 June 2022, is contained in document A/AC.292/2021/1.

3. Additional information can be found at https://meetings.unoda.org/open-ended-working-group-on-information-and-communication-technologies-2021
Annex

Provisional programme of work

Monday, 11 December

10 a.m.–1 p.m.  Opening of the session

Opening statements

– Mr. Adedeji Ebo, Director and Deputy to the Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for Disarmament Affairs

– H.E. Ambassador Burhan Gafoor, Chair of the Open-ended working group on security of and in the use of information and communications technologies 2021-2025

Agenda item 3: organization of work

3–6 p.m.  Agenda item 5: discussions on substantive issues contained in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 75/240

Continue to study, with a view to promoting common understandings, existing and potential threats in the sphere of information security, inter alia, data security, and possible cooperative measures to prevent and counter such threats [from para 1, GA resolution 75/240]

Tuesday, 12 December

10 a.m.–1 p.m.  Agenda item 5: discussions on substantive issues contained in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 75/240 (continued)

Further develop the rules, norms and principles of responsible behaviour of States and the ways for their implementation and, if necessary, to introduce changes to them or elaborate additional rules of behaviour [from para 1, GA resolution 75/240]

3–6 p.m.  Agenda item 5: discussions on substantive issues contained in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 75/240 (continued)

How international law applies to the use of information and communications technologies by States [from para 1, GA resolution 75/240]

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1 States are strongly encouraged to use their interventions under each sub-agenda item, under “Agenda item 5: Discussions on substantive issues contained in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 75/240”, to focus on the specific topics and discussion points identified for follow-up in the Working Group’s second annual progress report as contained in A/78/265.
Wednesday, 13 December

10 a.m.–1 p.m.  Agenda item 5: discussions on substantive issues contained in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 75/240 (continued)

*Confidence-building measures [from para 1, GA resolution 75/240]*

3–6 p.m.  Dedicated stakeholder session (in accordance with agreed modalities for the participation of stakeholders of 22 April 2022)

Thursday, 14 December

10 a.m.–1 p.m.  Agenda item 5: discussions on substantive issues contained in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 75/240 (continued)

*Capacity-building [from para 1, GA resolution 75/240]*

3–6 p.m.  Agenda item 5: discussions on substantive issues contained in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 75/240 (continued)

*Establish, under the auspices of the United Nations, regular, institutional dialogue with the broad participation of States [from para 1, GA resolution 75/240]*

Friday, 15 December

10 a.m.–1 p.m.  Agenda item 6: other matters

3–6 p.m.  Closure of the session

– Concluding remarks by the Chair