



CYBERWELLNESS PROFILE

REPUBLIC OF BENIN



BACKGROUND

Total Population: 9 352 000

(data source: [United Nations Statistics Division](#), December 2012)

Internet users, percentage of population: 4.90%

(data source: [ITU Statistics](#), December 2013)

1. CYBERSECURITY

1.1 LEGAL MEASURES

1.1.1 CRIMINAL LEGISLATION

Specific legislation on cybercrime has been enacted through the following instrument:

- Decree No. 200/MISP/DC/SGM/DGPN/SERCT/DER/SA related to the [creation](#) of a division in charge of the fight against internet crime. This decree stipulates that victims of internet crime can approach Interpol or the BEF with their complaints.

1.1.2 REGULATION AND COMPLIANCE

Specific legislation and regulation related to cybersecurity has been enacted through the following instrument:

- Loi 9 of 27 Apr 2009 (protection of personal information in databases).

1.2 TECHNICAL MEASURES

1.2.1 CIRT

Benin does not have an officially recognized national CIRT.

1.2.2 STANDARDS

Benin does not have an officially approved national or sector specific cybersecurity framework for implementing internationally recognized cybersecurity standards.

1.2.3 CERTIFICATION

Benin does not have a cybersecurity framework for the certification and accreditation of national agencies and public sector professionals.

1.3 ORGANIZATION MEASURES

1.3.1 POLICY

Benin does not have a national or sector-specific cybersecurity strategy. However the Telecoms Regulatory Authority has presented a plan to combat cybercrime to the president in November 2012.

1.3.2 ROADMAP FOR GOVERNANCE

There is no governance roadmap for cybersecurity in Benin.

1.3.3 RESPONSIBLE AGENCY

The Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) is responsible for cybersecurity in Benin.

1.3.4 NATIONAL BENCHMARKING

Benin does not have any benchmarking or referential to measure cybersecurity development.

1.4 CAPACITY BUILDING

1.4.1 STANDARDISATION DEVELOPMENT

There is no officially recognized national or sector-specific research and development program or project for cybersecurity standards, best practices and guidelines in Benin.

1.4.2 MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT

The CNF of the AUF at Cotonou, in association with the Abomey-Calavi University, The Lawyer Order of Benin and the Union of Media Professionals of Benin organize a training seminar on the topic Cyber-criminality: New threats to privacy, companies, banks and administrations.

1.4.3 PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION

Benin does not have the exact number of public sector professionals certified under internationally recognized certification programs in cybersecurity.

1.4.4 AGENCY CERTIFICATION

Benin does not have any certified government and public sector agencies certified under internationally recognized standards in cybersecurity.

1.5 COOPERATION

1.5.1 INTRA-STATE COOPERATION

There is no framework to facilitate sharing of cybersecurity assets across borders or with other nation states.

1.5.2 INTRA-AGENCY COOPERATION

Benin does not have an officially recognized national or sector-specific program for sharing cybersecurity assets within the public sector.

1.5.3 PUBLIC SECTOR PARTNERSHIP

There is no officially recognized national or sector-specific program for sharing cybersecurity assets within the public and private sector in Benin.

1.5.4 INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Benin is a member of the [ITU-IMPACT](#) initiative and has access to relevant cybersecurity services.

2. CHILD ONLINE PROTECTION

2.1 NATIONAL LEGISLATION

Specific legislation on child online protection has been enacted through the following instruments:

- None.

2.2 UN CONVENTION AND PROTOCOL

Benin has acceded, with no declarations or reservations to articles 16, 17(e) and 34(c), to the [Convention on the Rights of the Child](#).

Benin has acceded, with no declarations or reservations to articles 2 and 3, to the [Optional Protocol to The Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography](#).

2.3 INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT

There is no agency responsible for child online protection in Benin.

2.4 REPORTING MECHANISM

There is no website or hotline to report incidence in Benin.

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