

## Action Line: C5 Confidence and Cybersecurity in Cyberspace (ITU)

Wednesday, 18 May, 11:30–13:00, Room XI



This Action Line Facilitation Meeting provided an account of the work carried out in the area of cybersecurity under the Action Line C5.

In particular, national experts of ICTs shared their experiences on how they are dealing with cyberthreats and what measures have been adopted. For instance, Turkey conducted civilian–military exercises, while Oman explained how its CERT became an umbrella agency for all the ministries. Costa Rica, on the other hand, has confirmed its commitment in improving actions at the national level in order to protect children online, while ensuring the cooperation with international organizations such as ITU. Representing the private sector, Symantec mentioned that their recent publication “Symantec Internet Threat Report” displays the need for more security for mobile phones, as well as a shift in the operational mode targeting specific users. Civil society sector was represented by the University of Lausanne.

Within the overall framework of the GCA, international organizations such as IMPACT and ITU are deploying joint services in order to harmonize at the international level different national approaches to better prepare countries to face cyberthreats and solve cyberattacks through information sharing, awareness raising and trainings.

The main outcomes of the meeting highlighted the need for better coordination at any level (national, regional, international), and through organizations such as ITU, ensuring harmonization of efforts and sharing of best practices to advance work and build the necessary capacities.

### List of speakers

Opening remarks: **Dr Yury Grin**, Deputy Director, BDT, ITU

Moderator: **Mr Alexander Ntoko**, ITU WSIS C5 Focal Point and Head of the Corporate Strategy Division, ITU

H.E. **Mr Manuel B. Dengo**, Ambassador Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica

**Eng. Badar Ali Al-Salehi**, Director, Oman National CERT

**Ms Solange Ghernaouti Hélie**, Professor, Faculty of Business and Economics – HEC, University of Lausanne

**Mr Zoltán Préczésny**, Symantec

**Mr Salim KETEVALIOGLU**, ICT Expert, BTK-Turkish ICT Regulatory Body, Turkey,

**Mr Mohamed Shihab**, Advisor (technical), IMPACT