Regional and International Cooperation on Cybersecurity

ITU Forum – Brisbane Keith Besgrove

First Assistant Secretary, Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy Chair, OECD Working Party on Information Security and Privacy (WPISP)

Role of WPISP

- WPISP is the Working Party on Information Security and Privacy
- It is a Working Group of the Information, Computer and Communications Policy (ICCP).
 - It undertakes important activities including
 - **Cross-border cooperation**
 - **Critical Information Infrastructure Protection**
 - Digital Identity Management work.

WPISP work

- Formed 10 years ago its work provides a useful foundation for developing national coordinated policies.
- A platform to monitor trends, analyse the impact of technology on information security and privacy and develop policy guidance.
- Key projects to improve cyber security and privacy. These include Malware, Spam, identity management, Security Guidelines and Critical Information Infrastructure protection.

WPISP in the OECD Structure

- WPISP works under the direction of the Committee for Information, Computer and Communications Policy (ICCP) which reports to the OECD Council.
- Participants are delegates from member countries.
 Business, civil society, other international organisations and non-members are also sitting at the table.

OECD Security Guidelines

Last revised in 2002

- Provide an important set of principles for the development of e-security in a wide range of countries
- The guidelines have been widely adopted and have stood the test of time as a useful framework for guiding policy development

Critical Information Infrastructure protection

- A report on Critical Information Infrastructure has been developed and is a major information resource on activities being undertaken by governments.
- It is based on the experience and practices of nine OECD countries and has formed the basis for a recent recommendation to the OECD Council which was subsequently provided as an output to the Seoul, OECD Ministerial meeting

Collaboration with other groups

- OECD works closely with the Council of Europe and with the ENISA
- In recent years it has developed a number of joint projects with the APEC-Tel of which the most well known is the joint project on Malware
- OECD and APEC-Tel are exploring options to establish an anti-malware collaboration framework.

Digital Identity Management

- In March 2008, a Volunteer Group of member countries commenced work on a digital identity management (IDM) primer for consideration by WPISP in November.
- A second IDM project is likely to be undertaken in 2009 focusing on IDM privacy and security issues, possibly leading to the development of OECD guidance principles.

June 2008 Seoul Ministerial Meeting

The closing comments from the Secretary General at Seoul OECD June 2008

- Internet has a role in addressing global issues
- Need to formulate and implement policies that acknowledge the importance of working together to achieve common goals.
- Strong emphasis on the importance of global collaboration
- The Seoul Declaration would provide ongoing guidance for governments and stakeholders around the world to overcome current challenges and to further develop the Internet economy.

Thank you & Questions?