



CYBERWELLNESS PROFILE CO-OPERATIVE REPUBLIC OF GUYANA



BACKGROUND

Total Population: 758 000

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

Internet users, percentage of population: 33.00%

(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 instruments:

- None.

1.1.2 REGULATION AND COMPLIANCE

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

- None.

1.2 TECHNICAL MEASURES

1.2.1 CIRT

Guyana has an officially recognized national CIRT known as [GNCIRT](#).

1.2.2 STANDARDS

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

1.2.3 CERTIFICATION

There is no cybersecurity framework for the certification and accreditation of national agencies and public sector professionals in Guyana.

1.3 ORGANIZATION MEASURES

1.3.1 POLICY

Guyana does not have any officially recognized national or sector-specific cybersecurity strategy.

1.3.2 ROADMAP FOR GOVERNANCE

There is no national governance roadmap for cybersecurity in Guyana.

1.3.3 RESPONSIBLE AGENCY

[GNCIRT](#) and the Criminal Investigations Department of the Guyana Police Force are the agencies responsible for cybersecurity in Guyana.

1.3.4 NATIONAL BENCHMARKING

Guyana does not have any officially recognized national benchmarking or referential to measure cybersecurity development.

1.4 CAPACITY BUILDING

1.4.1 STANDARDISATION DEVELOPMENT

Guyana does not have an officially recognized national or sector-specific research and development program or project for cybersecurity standards, best practices and guidelines.

1.4.2 MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT

There are no educational and professional training programs for raising awareness, higher education and certification in Guyana.

1.4.3 PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION

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

1.4.4 AGENCY CERTIFICATION

Guyana 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

Guyana does not have any framework to facilitate sharing of cybersecurity assets across borders or with other nation states.

1.5.2 INTRA-AGENCY COOPERATION

Guyana does not have any 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 Guyana.

1.5.4 INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

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

2. CHILD ONLINE PROTECTION

2.1 NATIONAL LEGISLATION

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

- [Section 351](#) of the Criminal Law Offences Act – *does not explicitly criminalize child pornography but only indecent or obscene material.*
- [Sections 11](#) to [13](#) and [21](#) of the Sexual Offences Act of 2010.

2.2 UN CONVENTION AND PROTOCOL

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

Guyana 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

[Child Care and Protection Agency](#) was created by the government, under the Ministry of Labor, Human Services and Social Security, and is responsible for child protection.

2.4 REPORTING MECHANISM

There is no website or hotline dedicated to child online protection in Guyana.

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