

CYBERWELLNESS PROFILE STATE OF PALESTINE



BACKGROUND

Total Population: unknown **Internet users**, percentage of population: 46.60%

(data source: <u>United Nations Statistics Division</u>, December 2012) (data source: <u>ITU Statistics</u>, December 2013)

1. CYBERSECURITY

1.1 LEGAL MEASURES

1.1.1 CRIMINAL LEGISLATION

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

- None.

1.1.2 REGULATION AND COMPLIANCE

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

- Electronic Transactions Act.

1.2 TECHNICAL MEASURES

1.2.1 CIRT

Palestine does not have any officially recognized national CIRT. ITU conducted a CIRT assessment for Palestine in 2014.

1.2.2 STANDARDS

Palestine 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 Palestine.

1.3 ORGANIZATION MEASURES

1.3.1 POLICY

Palestine has an officially recognized <u>Information Security Policy</u> and the <u>National Strategy for Information and</u> Communication Technology.

1.3.2 ROADMAP FOR GOVERNANCE

There is no national governance roadmap for cybersecurity in Palestine.

1.3.3 RESPONSIBLE AGENCY

The Ministry of Communication and Information Technology is the agency responsible for cybersecurity in Palestine.

1.3.4 NATIONAL BENCHMARKING

Palestine does not have any officially recognized national 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.

1.4.2 MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT

The Information Security Bulletins serve as an educational tool and to promote professional cybersecurity awareness.

1.4.3 PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION

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

1.4.4 AGENCY CERTIFICATION

Palestine 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 in Palestine.

1.5.2 INTRA-AGENCY COOPERATION

Palestine 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 Palestine.

1.5.4 INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

There is no information on any international cooperation Palestine participates in.

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

Palestine has acceded, with no declarations or reservations to articles 16, 17(e) and 34(c), to the <u>Convention on the Rights of the Child.</u>

Palestine has acceded, with no declarations or reservations to articles 2 and 3, to the <u>Optional Protocol to The</u> 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 Palestine.

2.4 REPORTING MECHANISM

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