



# Global Cybersecurity Index

## An overview

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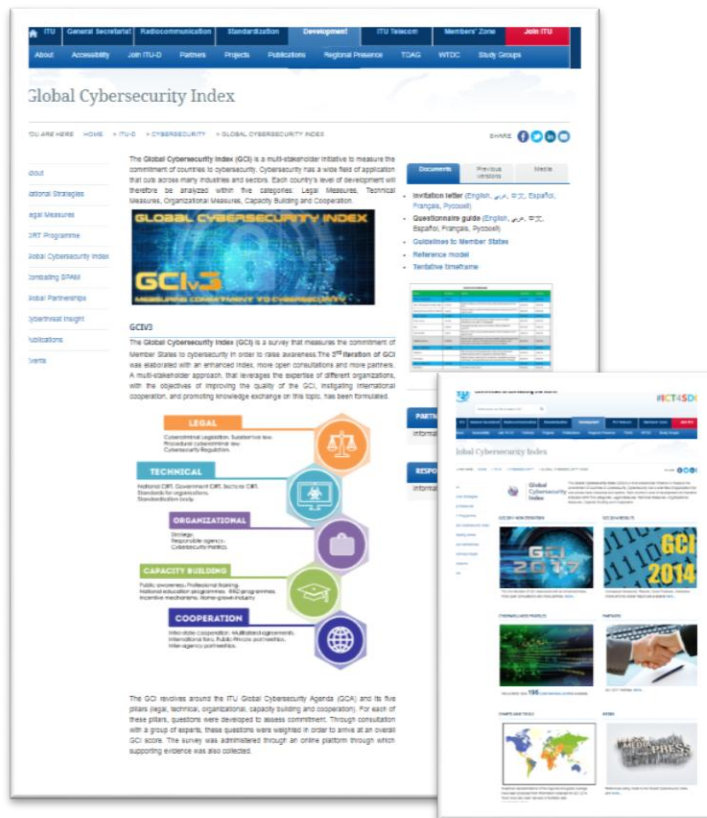
# What is GCI ...

GCI is a composite index combining 25 indicators into one benchmark measure to monitor and compare the level of ITU Member States ***cybersecurity commitment*** with regard to the five pillars identified by the High-Level Experts and endorsed by the GCA.

“GCI is a capacity building tool, to support countries to improve their national cybersecurity posture”

# Background

- GCIv1 – the 1<sup>st</sup> iteration of the GCI has started in 2013-2014 period -**105** countries responded
- GCIv2 – the 2<sup>nd</sup> iteration covered 2016-2017 period – **134** countries responded
- **GCIv3 – 3<sup>rd</sup> iteration started in March 2018**



**All iterations include primary research in order to provide global coverage of the 194 Member States**

# GCI aims to

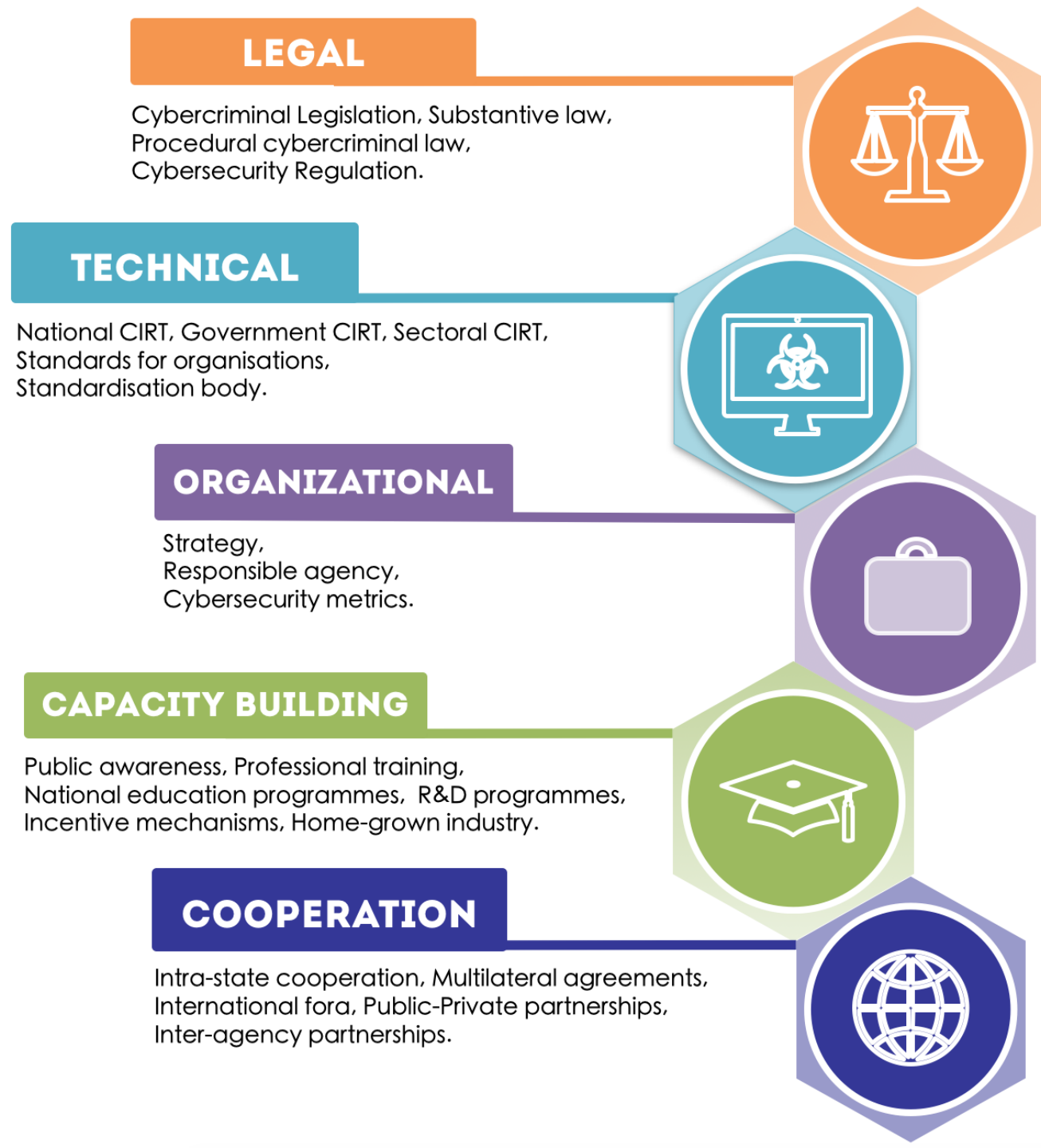
- Help countries identify areas for improvement
- Motivate action to improve relative GCI rankings
- Raise the level of cybersecurity awareness worldwide
- Help to identify and promote best practices
- Foster a global culture of cybersecurity



# GCI overall approach

The GCIv3 includes 25 indicators and 50 questions. The indicators used to calculate the GCI were selected on the basis of the following criteria:

- relevance to the five GCA( Global Cybersecurity Agenda) pillars and in contributing towards the main GCI objectives and conceptual framework;
- data availability and quality;
- possibility of cross verification through secondary data.



# GCI Indicators

Legal	Technical	Organizational	Capacity Building	Cooperation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cybercriminal legislation</li><li>• Cybersecurity regulation</li><li>• Cybersecurity training on regulation and laws</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• National CIRT</li><li>• Government CIRT</li><li>• Sectoral CIRT</li><li>• Standards implementation framework for organizations</li><li>• Standards and certification for professionals</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Strategy</li><li>• Responsible agency</li><li>• Cybersecurity metrics</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Standardization bodies</li><li>• Best practice</li><li>• R &amp; D programmes</li><li>• Public awareness campaigns</li><li>• Professional training courses</li><li>• National education programmes and academic curricula</li><li>• Incentive mechanisms</li><li>• Home-grown cybersecurity industry</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bilateral agreements</li><li>• Multilateral agreements</li><li>• International fora participation</li><li>• Public-private partnerships</li><li>• Interagency partnerships</li></ul>

# Unique Value

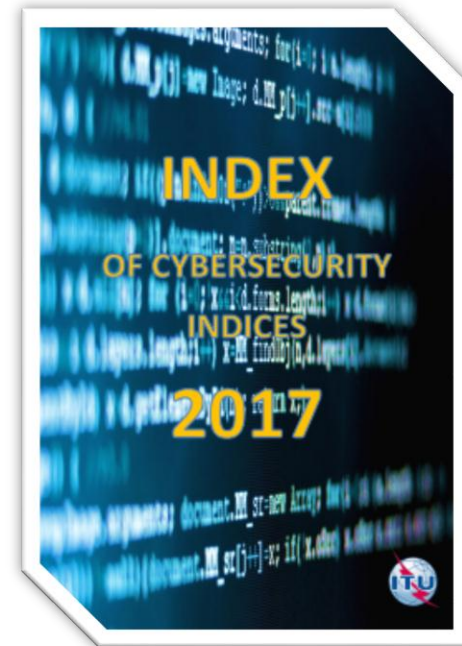
What makes the GCI unique is the balanced combination of:

- The **broad geographic range** covering all Member States
- The **multi-stakeholder** approach
- The **scoring and ranking** mechanisms
- The **cyberwellness** country **profiles**

# Index of Indices – situates GCI unique value



	Metrics						Content								Presentation Format				
	Score	Ranking	Information Society Development Score (ISD) score)	Cyber Maturity	Cyber Threats	Cyber Vulnerabilities	Organizational	Technical	Economical	Legal Framework	Cooperation	Capacity Building	Recommendations	Profiles	Website	PDF	Visualization	No. of Iterations	
Cyber Maturity in the Asia-Pacific Region	x			x					x	x	x			x	x	x		2	
National Cyber Security Index	x	x	x	x	x		x	x		x	x	x			x	x	x	1	
Global Cybersecurity Index	x	x					x	x		x	x	x		x	x	x	x	2	
Kaspersky Cybersecurity Index	x				x				x					x	x	x	x	1	
Asia-Pacific Cybersecurity Dashboard		x		x			x			x	x	x		x	x	x		2	
Cyber Readiness Index 2.0	x	x		x		x	x		x	x	x			x	x	x		2	
Cybersecurity Poverty Index	x			x			x	x							x		x	1	
CyberGreen Index	x	x			x			x							x		x	1	
The Accenture Security Index	x	x			x		x	x	x		x		x		x	x	x	1	
Global Cybersecurity Assurance Report Cards	x				x	x		x							x		x	1	
Index of Cybersecurity					x			x							x	x	x	73	
Cybersecurity Capability Maturity Model				x			x	x		x	x	x			x	x		2	
Cyber Power Index	x	x		x			x	x		x		x			x	x	x	1	
IBM X-force Threat Intelligence Index					x			x							x			3	



**Index** from different organizations and companies are researched and compared



# GCI v2 Partners



# Score calculation

**Panel of Expert:** an average for each question weightage provided by GCI Partners

2. Do you have any technical measures?	19.12
2.1. Is there a CIRT, CSIRT or CERT with national responsibility?	4.65
2.1.1. Does it have a government mandate?	1.33
2.1.2. Does the CIRT, CSIRT or CERT conduct recurring cybersecurity exercise?	1.23
2.1.3. Is the CIRT, CSIRT or CERT affiliated with FIRST?	1.04
2.1.4. Is the CIRT, CSIRT or CERT affiliated with any other CERT communities? (regional CERT)	1.06
2.2. Is there a Government CERT?	3.03
2.3. Are there any sectoral CERTs?	2.71

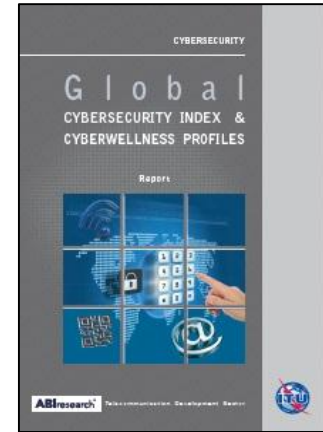
1. Is there any Cyber related legislation?	20.94
2. Do you have any technical measures?	19.12
3. Do you have any organizational measures?	19.67
4. Do you have any capacity building activities?	18.93
5. Do you have any cooperative measures?	21.34

**Total of all weightages = 100**

# Presentation of analysed information

Global Report

Regional Report



Cyberwellness Profiles

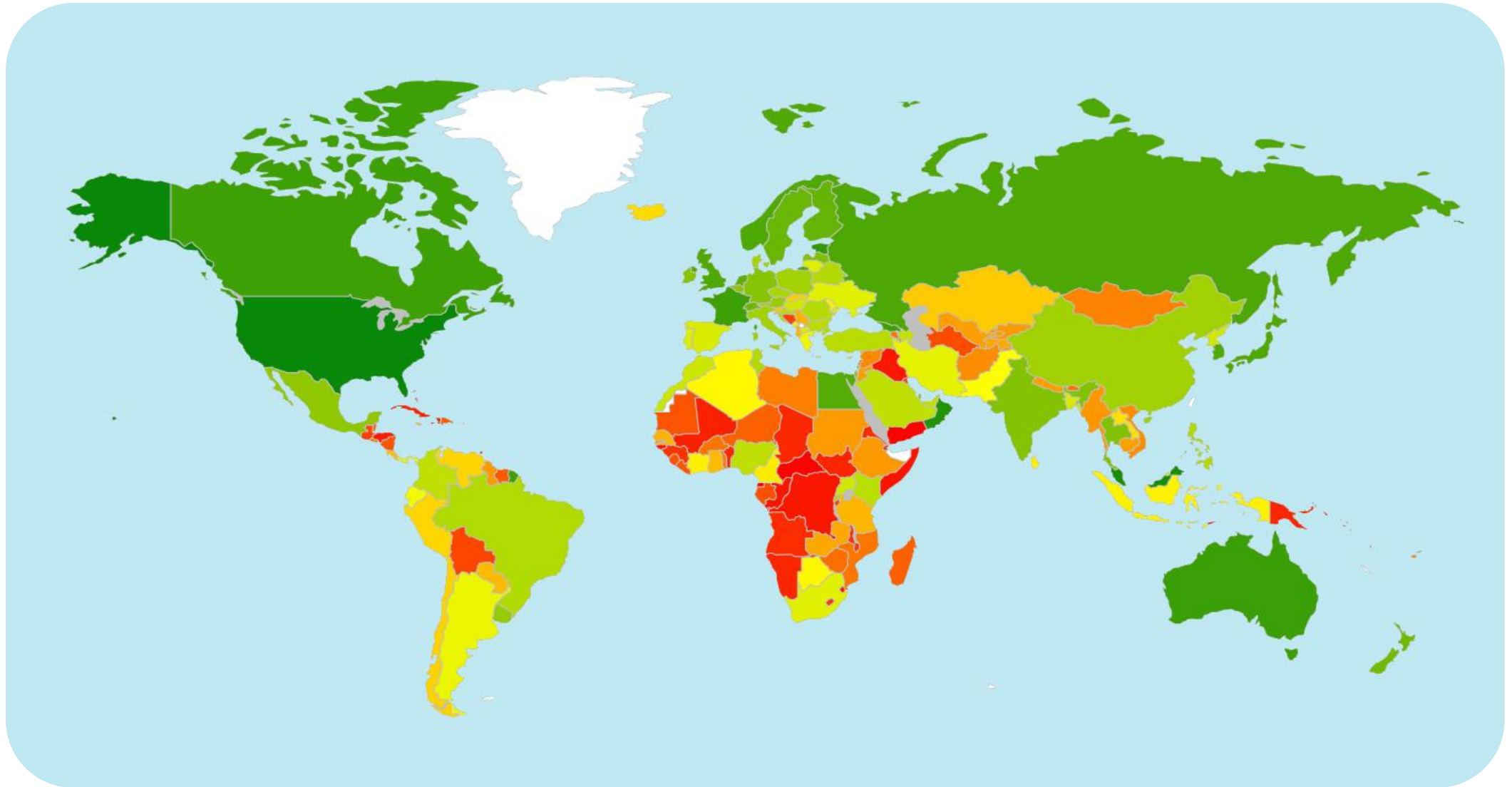
Factual information on cybersecurity achievements on each country





**Focus on Europe and CIS Results**

# GCI 2017 Heat Map



Commitment levels

■ High

■ Medium

■ Low



# GCI 2017 : Global Top Ten

Country	GCI Score	Legal	Technical	Organizational	Capacity Building	Cooperation
Singapore	0.92	0.95	0.96	0.88	0.97	0.87
United States	0.91	1	0.96	0.92	1	0.73
Malaysia	0.89	0.87	0.96	0.77	1	0.87
Oman	0.87	0.98	0.82	0.85	0.95	0.75
Estonia	0.84	0.99	0.82	0.85	0.94	0.64
Mauritius	0.82	0.85	0.96	0.74	0.91	0.70
Australia	0.82	0.94	0.96	0.86	0.94	0.44
Georgia	0.81	0.91	0.77	0.82	0.90	0.70
France	0.81	0.94	0.96	0.60	1	0.61
Canada	0.81	0.94	0.93	0.71	0.82	0.70

Maximum score is 1

# GCI 2017: Heat map – regional perspective

Region	Legal	Technical	Organizational	Capacity Building	Cooperation
AFR 0.210	0.29	0.18	0.16	0.17	0.25
AMS 0.296	0.40	0.30	0.24	0.28	0.26
ARB 0.334	0.44	0.33	0.27	0.34	0.29
ASP 0.370	0.43	0.38	0.31	0.34	0.39
CIS 0.430	0.58	0.42	0.37	0.38	0.40
EUR 0.53	0.62	0.61	0.45	0.50	0.47

Regional Score on  
a maximum on 1

# GCI 2017 for ITU Europe & CIS region



**43 Countries EUROPE** : Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Vatican, United Kingdom

**11 Countries CIS** : Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Moldova, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan

## GCI TIERS out of 54 countries

- *Leading stage* refers to the **22** countries (i.e., GCI score in the 60<sup>th</sup> percentile and higher) that **demonstrate high commitment**.
- *Maturing stage* refers to the **22** countries (i.e., GCI score between the 30<sup>th</sup> and 59<sup>th</sup> percentile) that have **developed complex commitments, and engage in cybersecurity programmes and initiatives**.
- *Initiating stage* refers to the **10** countries (i.e., GCI score less than the 30<sup>th</sup> percentile) that have **started to make commitments in cybersecurity**.

# Some responses for Europe & CIS regions



## Out of 54

- ✓ 24 countries have Cybercriminal legislation
- ✓ 32 countries have Cybersecurity legislation
- ✓ 20 countries have Cybersecurity training on regulation and laws
- ✓ 35 countries have National CIRTs
- ✓ 43 countries have Government CIRTs
- ✓ 34 countries have sectoral CIRTs
- ✓ 38 countries have an entity responsible for Child Online Protection
- ✓ 7 countries use Cybersecurity metrics at national level
- ✓ 12 countries have standardization bodies handling Cybersecurity
- ✓ 23 countries have good practices in Cybersecurity
- ✓ 17 countries have R&D programmes in Cybersecurity

# Some Noteworthy practices



**United Kingdom** issued in 2016 its second five years *National Cyber Security Strategy*. The strategy, issued by the Cabinet Office, aims to make the country one of the safest places in the world to carry out online business and doubles investment in cybersecurity compared to the first plan.

**Netherlands** uses metrics annually in order to measure cybersecurity development at a national level, summarized in the Cyber Security Assessment Netherlands report. The National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) compiles disclosure reports, security advisories and incidents using a registration system. The metrics allow trends to be observed and acted on.

**UK and China** agreed to establish a high-level security dialogue to strengthen exchanges and cooperation on security issues such as non-proliferation, organized crime, cyber crime and illegal immigration. The UK and China agree not to conduct or support cyber-enabled theft of intellectual property, trade secrets or confidential business information with the intent of providing competitive advantage

- Cyber Security information Sharing Partnership (CiSP) - <https://www.cert.gov.uk/cisp/>



# Online Survey is Ready – Action is needed by GCI National Focal points



**GCIv3**  
**50**  
questions



## Global Cybersecurity Index

The GCI measures the commitment of countries to cybersecurity in the five pillars of the [Global Cybersecurity Agenda](#): Legal Measures, Technical Measures, Organizational Measures, Capacity Building, and Cooperation.

This questionnaire has merged questions elaborated for establishing the GCI 2015/16 Score together with those required by [ITU-D Study Group 2 Question 3](#). The questionnaire is composed of three separate sections, where questions in the first two sections have yes/no responses whilst the questions in the last section are open ended. The questionnaire should be completed online. Each respondent will be provided (via an official email from ITU) a unique url for his/her safekeeping. The online questionnaire enables the respondents to upload relevant documents (and urls) for each question as supporting information.

*Information being provided by respondents to this questionnaire is not expected to be of confidential nature.*

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### Technical Measures

#### SECTION 1

Technology is the first line of defense against cyberthreats and malicious online agents. Without adequate technical measures and the capabilities to detect and respond to cyberattacks, nation states and their respective entities remain vulnerable to cyberthreats. The emergence and success of ICTs can only truly prosper in a climate of trust and security. Nation states therefore need to be capable of developing strategies for the establishment of accepted minimum security criteria and accreditation schemes for software applications and systems. These efforts need to be accompanied by the creation of a national entity focused on dealing with cyber incidents at a national level, at the very least with a responsible government agency and with an accompanying national framework for watch, warning and incident response.

**\* Q.2. Do you have any technical measures?**

☐ Yes ☐ No

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#### Question index

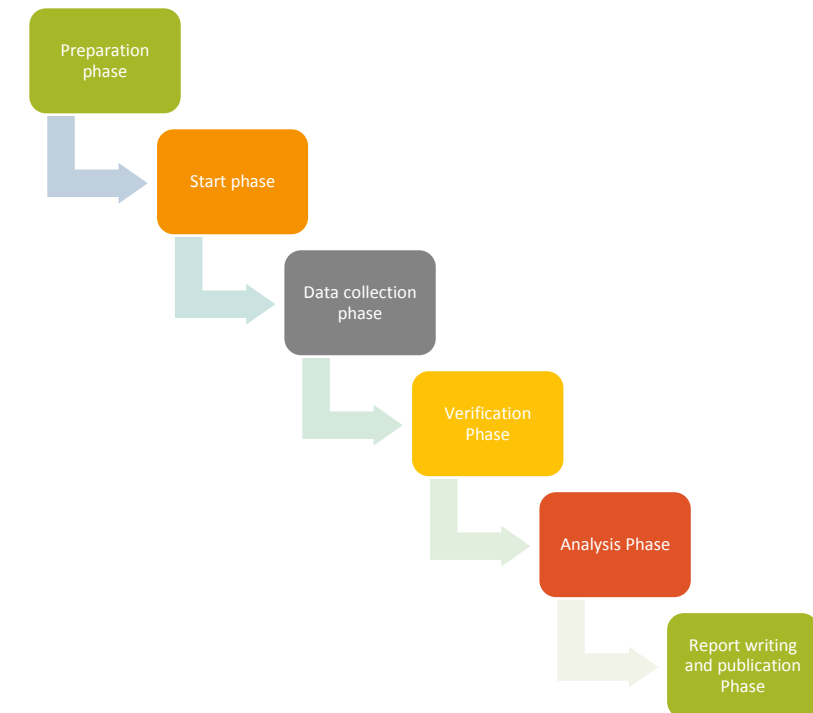
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the online survey.

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Last name: Bishop  
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Q01 Please enter your position: Assistant Director  
Q02 Please enter the organization you are representing: DCHS  
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regulator, OFCOM, has powers within the telecoms Commissioner's Office which has regulatory functions.  
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# How it functions. Main steps.

- **Preparation phase**
  - Elaboration of the survey in collaboration with experts and partners
  - Development of online survey system
  - Preparation of supporting documentation (guides, conceptual framework, letters etc.)
  - Announcement on the ITU website
- **Start phase**
  - Informing/invitation Member States via official letter from the BDT Director to Administrations (Responsible Ministry, organization, agency...)
  - **Collection of contact details of Focal Point(s) assigned by the Administration**
  - Contacting FPs and providing access to the online survey together with all necessary documents and instructions
  - Technical Support
- **Data collection phase**
  - Filling the questionnaire (FPs provide data, links, supporting documents etc.)
  - Collection of data from open sources for non-respondents (ITU helps Member States to appear in the Report)
- **Verification Phase**
  - ITU specialists verify and all provided data and contact FPs for more details if needed.
  - ITU shares the verified data with FPs
- **Analysis Phase**
  - Analysis of all collected data (for respondents and non-respondents).
  - Ranking. Preparation of comparison charts, maps, tables and other statistical elements.
  - Illustrative practices extraction.
- **Report writing and publication Phase**
  - Elaboration of the GCI Report
  - Publication on the ITU website and printing
  - Official launch and informing Member States
  - Follow-up



# How to improve GCI score and position

- Identify a National GCI Focal point and inform ITU
- Make all relevant data available to the National GCI Focal point
- Seek clarifications by connecting the ITU GCI team

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# JOIN US

- As a partner
  - Add to this body of knowledge under construction
  - Your expertise on thematic to help enhance the GCI process and deliverables
  - Connect better with ITU and Member States
- As a respondent to questionnaire
  - Reflect your Country's achievements and plans for enhancing Cybersecurity
  - Share best practices
  - Position your country on the cybersecurity commitment scale

**Thank you**

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