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## CYBER-SECURITY

The Cyber-security sessions have been prepared in cooperation with the Geneva Security Forum (GSF)

The following key points emerged during the cyber-security discussions:

Policy-makers, industry and experts recognize and are aware of the grave and increasing vulnerabilities, and cost to society at large, of the internet web-based network upon which we depend for virtually all transactions, exchanges, critical infrastructure protection, mobility, safety, banking and business activities. In fact these software, hardware and user-related technological vulnerabilities have been the topic of serious discussion for years. Unfortunately, to date, after countless initiatives and consultations, there still has not been enough progress toward creating an effective and sustainable global system for responding to cyber-crime and cyber-threats. This is mainly due to:

1. A lack of proper incentives (or liability) for technology and software producers to integrate security elements, which are essential for the protection of the consumer.