



**SECOND INFORMAL STAKEHOLDER DIALOGUE, JULY 17, 2026:**

**Global Mechanism on developments in the field of information and communications technologies (ICTs) in the context of international security and advancing responsible State behavior**

**Contribution:**

Thank you Madame Chair, for the opportunity to share a few words in the second informal stakeholder dialogue of the Global Mechanism on ICT Security. I would like to extend my gratitude to the respectable Chair and the Member States of the Global Mechanism on ICT for approving accreditation of Third Eye Legal as a stakeholder. As, the Chief Consultant, I look forward to contributing to the work meaningfully and collaborate on initiatives with interested States and stakeholders in a mutually beneficial manner.

Concrete action oriented proposals for implementation can only devised by stakeholders, if States can clarify on complex issues:

Firstly, the overarching question Third Eye Legal would like to pose to member States is how would they ensure that the Global Mechanism on ICT Security for responsible State behavior operationalize norms that are voluntary and implement the rules and principles enshrined under International Law to the behavior of States in the realm of ICTs to bring legal certainty?

Secondly, how would the stakeholder community including Third Eye Legal collaborate with States such that responsible behavior of States and non-States actors is assured through cooperation, confidence and capacity building?

Clear guidelines on these issues during the plenary sessions next week would be highly appreciated!

States may rely on Third Eye Legal's document shared in the previous OEWG (2021-2025) on convergences and divergences of State positions on the application of International law, norms, rules and principles of responsible State behavior in ICT for peace and security, which includes analyses and scenarios for better comprehension; for both States and stakeholders.

Lastly, modalities of stakeholder participation in the dedicated thematic groups should also be discussed where at least accredited stakeholders may have the opportunity to contribute to the work during formal hybrid sessions.

Third Eye Legal unfortunately will not be able to participate in the plenary this year due to logistical reasons but looks forward to better conditions the following year and beyond, nonetheless, will stay engaged with the process via UN Web TV.

Third Eye Legal wishes the Honorable Chair and member States a fruitful and consensus driven first biennium of the Global Mechanism on developments in the field of information and communications technologies (ICTs) in the context of international security and advancing responsible State behavior in the use of ICTs.

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