Spain supports the proposal to create a directory of Points of Contact within the OEWG. Its establishment will favour the implementation of other CBMs, as well as norms on the responsible behaviour of States in cyberspace, particularly with regard to the exchange of information and cooperation in the event of ICT-related incidents.

Spain would like to highlight the lessons learned from its participation in such networks among regional organisations, such as the PoC network within the OSCE (CBM 8) or the CSIRT network, CYCLONE network, the NIS Cooperation Group and the network of Cyber Ambassadors at the EU level, as well as the PoC network pursuant EU Directive 2013/40/EU on attacks against information systems.

Our experience leads us to the following considerations:

- **Voluntary basis**: the PoC directory shall be voluntary for all States, although UNODA should promote universal participation in the network.

- **Duality of members in the network**:
  - **Diplomat PoCs** should be part of the State’s Ministry of Foreign Affairs and dedicated to the field of security or cybersecurity. They will facilitate possible political responses in case of an ICT-related incident, coordinate national reports and will provide coordination with national authorities when necessary.
  - **Technical PoCs** will be representatives issued from national authorities responsible for coordination at a national level in case of ICT-related incidents. They should have operational and technical capability to provide expert assistance in case of a cyber incident.

- **Avoid designating specific individuals** or, if need be, always provide a generic e-mail address in addition to the PoC’s professional e-mail address. The possibility of rotation in the national departments leads to the need to have several ways of contacting the entity that serves as PoC.

- **Constant updating of the PoC directory**: the directory should be placed in a protected online support, thus allowing a swift update. The Secretariat will be responsible for its update once or twice a year through PING tests or e-mails to PoC’s generic and professional addresses.
- **Regular network meetings, exercises and training.** As a confidence-building measure, the PoC directory relies on the trust and coordination of its members.

- **Avoid duplication with existing regional networks:** the OEWG PoC directory should seek complementarity with existing technical or diplomatic networks. Therefore, it should be encouraged to designate the same PoCs and promote regular meetings and exercises to promote coordination.