

PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE UNITED NATIONS | NEW YORK

9 February 2024

Excellency,

I have the honour of addressing you in my capacity as Chair of the Open-Ended Working Group on security of and in the use of information and communications technologies 2021-2025 (OEWG), established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 75/240 adopted on 31 December 2020.

I would like to thank delegations for their participation in the virtual informal briefing I convened on 31 January 2024. Further to my update during the briefing on the OEWG's upcoming work over the course of 2024, I am pleased to enclose a **schedule of events for 2024**, containing the dates of (a) all OEWG substantive sessions in 2024, (b) other currently scheduled OEWG meetings in 2024, (c) POC directory-related events and activities in 2024, and (d) other relevant events and deadlines, for delegations' reference.

Further to my comments during the briefing, I have asked the Secretariat to compile **an informal list of experts** for selection as potential panelists and speakers at our dedicated intersessional meetings taking place in May 2024 as agreed in the OEWG's second Annual Progress Report. I am pleased to invite delegations to **nominate experts** to be included in this informal list. As I explained, compiling this informal list will help me ensure equitable geographical representation in my selection of experts and will help ensure the quality and diversity of views represented in our intersessional discussions. The **nomination form** is enclosed, with delegations kindly requested to submit their nominations in accordance with the instructions contained in the form by **8 March 2024**.

I thank all delegations for their contributions to the OEWG and look forward to working together with all delegations to continue advancing our work in accordance with our mandate contained in General Assembly resolution 75/240.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Burhan Gafoor

Chair

Open-Ended Working Group on security of and in the use of information and communications technologies 2021-2025

All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York

Enclosures:

- Annex A Schedule of Events for 2024
- Annex B Nomination Form for Informal List of Experts (Potential Panelists and Speakers) at the OEWG Dedicated Intersessional Meetings in May 2024

OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP ON SECURITY OF AND IN THE USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGIES 2021-2025 (OEWG)

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR 2024 (AS OF 9 FEB 2024)

SEVENTH SUBSTANTIVE SESSION	4-8 MARCH 2024
DEADLINE FOR WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS FROM STATES ON CAPACITIES REQUIRED FOR EFFECTIVE PARTICIPATION OF POCS (REFER TO SECRETARIAT NOTE VERBALE DATED 7 FEBRUARY 2024)	15 MARCH 2024
ISSUANCE BY SECRETARIAT OF REPORT WITH FINDINGS OF CAPACITY-BUILDING MAPPING EXERCISE	MARCH 2024
STATES ENCOURAGED TO NOMINATE POCs BEFORE THIS DATE (REFER TO SECRETARIAT NOTE VERBALE DATED 8 JANUARY 2024)	15 APRIL 2024
FIRST MEETING OF POCs	9 MAY 2024
GLOBAL ROUNDTABLE MEETING ON ICT SECURITY CAPACITY-BUILDING	10 MAY 2024
DEDICATED INTERSESSIONAL MEETINGS	13-17 MAY 2024

FIRST POC DIRECTORY "PING" TEST	10 JUNE 2024
ISSUANCE BY SECRETARIAT OF BACKGROUND PAPER ON CAPACITIES REQUIRED FOR EFFECTIVE PARTICIPATION OF POCs	JUNE 2024
EIGHTH SUBSTANTIVE SESSION	8-12 JULY 2024
POC DIRECTORY SIMULATION EXERCISE	SECOND HALF OF 2024
RELEASE BY SECRETARIAT OF UPDATED CYBER DIPLOMACY E-LEARNING COURSE	SECOND HALF OF 2024
RELEASE BY SECRETARIAT OF POC DIRECTORY CAPACITY-BUILDING MATERIALS (e.g. E-LEARNING MODULES)	SECOND HALF OF 2024 AND BEYOND
NINTH SUBTANTIVE SESSION	2-6 DECEMBER 2024

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NOMINATION FORM FOR INFORMAL LIST OF EXPERTS (POTENTIAL PANELISTS AND SPEAKERS) AT THE OEWG DEDICATED INTERSESSIONAL MEETINGS

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ORGANIZATION	
EXPERT'S FIELD	Indicate one or more fields of expertise from the list
OF EXPERTISE	below that apply:
	- Existing and Potential Threats
	- Rules, Norms and Principles of Responsible
	State Behaviour
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	- Confidence-building measures
	- Capacity-building
	- Regular Institutional Dialogue
	- Others (please specify)
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EXPERT'S CURRENT LOCATION	
BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERT'S RELEVANT EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE	
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	e.g. links to expert's website, professional biography, or CV

All nominations are to be submitted by 8 March 2024 to the UN Office for Disarmament Affairs at prizeman@un.org with cyberoewgchair@gmail.com in copy.

Nominating States should ensure that nominated experts are aware of and consent to their nomination before this form is submitted.

Please submit a separate form for each nominated expert.

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