REFERENCE: ODA/2023-00042/OEWG ICT accreditation

The United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions of Member States to the United Nations and has the honour to refer to resolution 75/240 entitled “Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security”, adopted by the General Assembly on 31 December 2020.

By operative paragraph 1 of the resolution, the General Assembly decided to convene, starting in 2021, an open-ended working group acting on a consensus basis.

The Open-Ended Working Group on the security of and in the use of information and communications technologies 2021-2025 decided to apply modalities for participation of non-governmental organizations and other non-governmental entities as set out in the Chair’s proposal contained in his letter to Member States dated 22 April 2022. The modalities can be accessed on the dedicated webpage of the Open-Ended Working Group.

Requests for accreditation received from non-governmental entities without ECOSOC consultative status interested in participating in the work of the Open-ended Working Group are available at www.bit.ly/3jGv4HQ for the consideration of the Governments of the Permanent Missions on a no-objection basis. Those organizations subject to approval are also listed in Annex A of the present document; Annex B, which is for information use only, lists participating organizations with ECOSOC consultative status.

A list of previously-accredited non-governmental entities to the Open-ended Working Group is available in document A/AC.292/2022/INF/2.

The Secretariat will consider that the requests for accreditation of non-governmental entities listed in Annex A are approved unless communication to the contrary is submitted via Note Verbale to the Chair of the Open-ended Working Group before 10 am EST on Monday, 20 February 2023. Any objections should be sent to cyberOEWGChair@gmail.com with a copy to the Secretariat (Ms. Katherine Prizeman, prizeman@un.org).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to express its appreciation to the Permanent Missions of Member States to the United Nations for their support and to renew the assurances of its highest consideration.

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Annex A: List of non-governmental entities seeking accreditation to the Open-Ended Working Group

1. Academia Mexicana de Ciberseguridad y Derecho Digital
2. Arab Association for Cybersecurity
3. Australian Strategic Policy Institute
4. Blessed Web and App Development Company
5. Centre for International Information Security, Science and Technology Policy, Moscow State Institute of International Relations
6. Centre for Multilateral Affairs
7. Chatham House- The Royal Institute of International Affairs
8. CyberPeace Institute
9. Cybersecurity Tech Accord
10. Donne 4.0 Associazione Promozione Sociale
11. DXC Technology
12. Europlus
13. Forum of Incident Response and Security Teams
14. Fundación Avina
15. German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP)
16. Global Forum on Cyber Expertise
17. Independent Diplomat
18. International Chamber of Commerce United Kingdom
19. Media Rights Agenda
20. Microsoft
21. Observer Research Foundation America
22. Paradigm Initiative
23. Positive Technologies
24. Real Instituto Elcano
25. Royal United Services Institute
26. Stiftung Neue Verantwortung
27. Temple University School of Law, Innovation and Technology
28. The Azure Forum for Contemporary Security Strategy
29. The Institute of State and Law of the Russian Academy of Sciences
30. The OneGoal Initiative for Governance
31. West Africa ICT Network
Annex B: List of participating non-governmental organizations with ECOSOC Consultative Status (for information purposes only)

1. Nuclear Age Peace Foundation