Open-ended working group on security of and in the use of information and communications technologies 2021–2025
Third substantive session
New York, 25–29 July 2022

Provisional programme of work

Note by the Secretariat

1. The third substantive session of the open-ended working group on security of and in the use of information and communications technologies 2021–2025, established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 75/240, will be held at Headquarters from 25 to 29 July 2022.

2. The provisional programme of work is contained in the annex to the present note. The annotated agenda for the session, as adopted at the organizational meeting, on 1 June 2022, is contained in document A/AC.292/2021/1.

3. Additional information can be found at https://meetings.unoda.org/meeting/oewg-ict-2021/.
Annex

Provisional programme of work

Monday, 25 July

10 a.m.–1 p.m.  
Opening of the session

Opening statements

– Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for Disarmament Affairs

– Chair of the open-ended working group

Agenda item 3: organization of work

Agenda item 5: discussions on substantive issues contained in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 75/240

– Chair’s presentation of draft annual progress report

3–6 p.m.

Agenda item 5: discussions on substantive issues contained in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 75/240 (continued)

First reading of, and negotiations on, draft annual progress report

– Continue to study, with a view to promoting common understandings, existing and potential threats in the sphere of information security, inter alia, data security, and possible cooperative measures to prevent and counter such threats

– Further develop the rules, norms and principles of responsible behaviour of States and the ways for their implementation and, if necessary, to introduce changes to them or elaborate additional rules of behaviour

Tuesday, 26 July

10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Agenda item 5: discussions on substantive issues contained in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 75/240 (continued)

First reading of, and negotiations on, draft annual progress report (continued)

– How international law applies to the use of information and communications technologies by States

– Confidence-building measures

3–6 p.m.

Agenda item 5: discussions on substantive issues contained in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 75/240 (continued)

First reading of, and negotiations on, draft annual progress report (continued)

– Capacity-building

– Establish, under the auspices of the United Nations, regular, institutional dialogue with the broad participation of States
Wednesday, 27 July

10 a.m.–1 p.m.  

**Agenda item 5: discussions on substantive issues contained in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 75/240 (continued)**

Thematic discussion on capacity-building

- Presentation by the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research on best practices and lessons learned with regard to international capacity-building efforts in United Nations disarmament processes (30 minutes)

- Presentations by representatives of regional and subregional organizations on best practices and lessons learned with regard to capacity-building efforts in the area of information and communications technologies security (90 minutes)

- Interactive exchange (60 minutes)

3–6 p.m.  

**Dedicated stakeholder session (in accordance with agreed modalities for the participation of stakeholders of 22 April)**

- Interactive session with States and stakeholders on best practices and lessons learned with regard to stakeholder involvement in capacity-building initiatives in the information and communications technologies security sphere (90 minutes)

- Interactive session with States and stakeholders on how stakeholders can work with States to contribute to the implementation of the concrete, action-oriented proposals made by States at the first and second substantive sessions, as captured in the draft annual progress report (90 minutes)

Thursday, 28 July

10 a.m.–1 p.m.  

**Agenda item 5: discussions on substantive issues contained in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 75/240 (continued)**

Second reading of, and negotiations on, draft annual progress report

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- Further develop the rules, norms and principles of responsible behaviour of States and the ways for their implementation and, if necessary, to introduce changes to them or elaborate additional rules of behaviour

3–6 p.m.  

**Agenda item 5: discussions on substantive issues contained in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 75/240 (continued)**

Second reading of, and negotiations on, draft annual progress report (continued)

- How international law applies to the use of information and communications technologies by States

- Confidence-building measures
Friday, 29 July

10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Agenda item 5: discussions on substantive issues contained in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 75/240 (continued)

Second reading of, and negotiations on, inputs to draft annual progress report (continued)

– Capacity-building

– Establish, under the auspices of the United Nations, regular, institutional dialogue with the broad participation of States

3–6 p.m.

Agenda item 7: adoption of annual progress reports

– Adoption of first annual progress report

Agenda item 6: other matters

Closure of the session

– Concluding remarks by the Chair