Cyber Innovation and Outreach
Long-term efforts against cybercrime

We are seeing an emerging trend of criminal organizations working together with criminally minded technology professionals to commit cybercrimes as well as fund other activities. These cybercriminal networks are inherently complex, bringing together individuals in real time from across the globe to commit crimes on an unprecedented scale.

These crimes can have serious repercussions that reverberate around the globe, making it essential for countries to adapt their laws and regulations to include crimes carried out in cyberspace as part of a transnational forward-thinking cybersecurity strategy.

While effective law enforcement action is a critical component of fighting cyberthreats, INTERPOL also recognizes the importance of engaging all stakeholders who are working towards the same goal of a safer cyberspace, particularly those in the technology sector.

Through this approach of harmonizing efforts, the INTERPOL Global Complex for Innovation (IGCI) aims to share expertise and avoid duplication of activities already in progress, so that police may efficiently focus their resources on fighting cybercrime, working together with other stakeholders to develop a holistic and coordinated response to this growing threat.
OUTREACH INITIATIVES
Strategy and outreach will bridge the gap between the police and information communication technology communities, bringing them together to fight cybercrime and to prepare for its future developments. It will develop initiatives and outreach programmes to aid the global law enforcement community’s ability to better target and investigate cybercrime and improve cybersecurity. This will raise awareness of the challenges and opportunities for law enforcement; enhance cooperation with regional and international organizations; and promote information sharing on cybercrime trends and discussions on global cybercrime strategies.

CYBERSECURITY STRATEGY AND PARTNERSHIP
We seek to strengthen cooperation and capacity among the law enforcement community and member countries in addressing cybercrime and cybersecurity issues by engaging stakeholders from the public and private sectors, academia and international partners to develop a harmonized cybersecurity strategy.

Strategy and outreach will also lead the conceptualization of national cyber reviews, where a member country may request a review of its legal and technical frameworks in order to better understand their strengths and weaknesses and improve where necessary.

It will also participate in working groups of its international and regional partners to ensure a harmonization of efforts, including in the area of legislation, and to avoid unnecessary duplication.

STRATEGIC CYBERSECURITY TREND ANALYSIS
Looking ahead to the future, INTERPOL aims to prepare law enforcement officials for future cybercrime trends and modus operandi. We will monitor international, regional and national developments in policies and programmes, as well as legal norms and instruments relating to cybercrime and digital security.

These strategic foresight activities will keep INTERPOL and its member countries abreast of relevant changes affecting the law enforcement community’s capacity to combat cybercrime. The different areas of the IGCI will subsequently be able to pool resources to develop methodologies and techniques that support member countries’ investigations into cybercrime and set new norms in dealing with cybersecurity.

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