

# YOUTH CYBER FORUM



In the framework of the EU Cyber Forum 2020

**September 17, 2020; 15:00 – 16:30 CEST**

Virtual event

## Concept

The rapid digitalization driven by the COVID-19 crisis has led to a 'Black Mirror'-like reality that is characterized by a significant increase in malicious cyber activities. Cyber criminals take advantage of the crisis by spreading COVID-19 related phishing emails and malicious content on health websites. Cyber-attacks on public institutions and hospitals threaten effective government responses to the crisis and can even put the lives of citizens at risk. As such, cyber security has become even more crucial in day-to-day life.

How do younger generations view such cyber security threats and how do they judge current responses by the governments? How can we involve younger generations in designing the policy responses? What is needed to ensure higher involvement of young people in the discussion about topics such as disinformation, cybersecurity, etc.? During this interactive session experts and youth participants (ages 18-35) from Europe, North America, Asia, Latin-America, Africa, Eurasia and Australia will share their perspectives on rising cyber security challenges and innovative solutions.

To participate in this event, please register on our webpage by September 10:

[https://eucyberdirect.eu/content\\_events/eu-cyber-forum-2020/](https://eucyberdirect.eu/content_events/eu-cyber-forum-2020/)

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## About EU Cyber Direct

The EU Cyber Direct project supports EU cyber diplomacy efforts and consequently contributes to the development of a secure, stable and rights-based international order in cyberspace through extensive dialogues with strategic partners from Brazil, China, India, Japan, South Korea, the United States, as well as regions of Latin America and the Asia-Pacific. The project brings together governments and non-governmental actors to explore the main issues surrounding international law in cyberspace, norms of responsible state behaviour and Confidence Building Measures. Workshops, conferences, and meetings organized in the framework of EU Cyber Direct contribute to a better understanding of EU cyber diplomacy and cyber resilience policies worldwide. EU Cyber Direct is funded by the European Commission under the Partnership Instrument, International Digital Cooperation project: Trust and Security in Cyberspace. It is jointly implemented by the German Marshall Fund, the European Union Institute for Security Studies and Stiftung Neue Verantwortung.

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