REGULAR INSTITUTIONAL DIALOGUE

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*Decides to convene, … an open-ended working group acting on a consensus basis, to continue, as a priority, … **to study the possibility of establishing regular institutional dialogue with broad participation under the auspices of the United Nations;***

2010 GGE REPORT

18. Taking into account the existing and potential threats, risks and vulnerabilities in the field of information security, the Group of Governmental Experts considers it useful to recommend further steps …

*(i) **Further dialogue among States** to discuss norms pertaining to State use of ICTs, to reduce collective risk and protect critical national and international infrastructure;*

2013 GGE REPORT

13. *The* **United Nations should play a leading role in promoting dialogue** *among Member States to develop common understandings on the security of and in the use of ICTs, encourage regional efforts, promote confidence-building and transparency measures and support capacity-building and the dissemination of best practices.*

29. *Given the pace of ICT development and the scope of the threat, the Group believes there is a need to enhance common understandings and intensify practical cooperation. In this regard,* **the Group recommends regular institutional dialogue with broad participation under the auspices of the United Nations,** *as well as regular dialogue through bilateral, regional and multilateral forums, and other international organizations.*

2015 GGE REPORT

*18. The Group reiterates that, given the pace of ICT development and the scope of the threat, there is a need to enhance common understandings and intensify cooperation. In this regard, the Group recommends **regular institutional dialogue** with **broad participation under the auspices of the United Nations**, as well as regular dialogue through **bilateral, regional and multilateral forums and other international organizations**.*

2015 GGE REPORT

33. The United Nations should play a leading role in promoting dialogue on the security of ICTs in their use by States and developing common understandings on the application of international law and norms, rules and principles for responsible State behaviour. Further work could **consider initiatives for international dialogue and exchange on ICT security issues.** *These efforts* **should not duplicate ongoing work** *by other international organizations and forums addressing issues such as* **criminal and terrorist use of ICTs, human rights and Internet governance.**

35. The Group acknowledges the **valuable efforts** *in ICT security made by* **international organizations and regional groups.** *Work among States on security in the use of ICTs should take these efforts into account, and Member States should, when appropriate, encourage the establishment of* **new bilateral, regional and multilateral platforms for dialogue,** *consultation and capacity-building.*

CHARACTERISTICS

- *Regular*

- *Institutional*

- *Broad*

- *Under UN Auspices*

FORM FOLLOWS FUNCTION?

What is the **objective** of regular institutional dialogue?

- *Watching brief*/tech **horizon scanning**?

- *Awareness raising* on technology? Legal issues? Existing norms?

- *Information sharing*? On policies and doctrines? On how norms are observed at the national level?

- *Matching needs and resources*?

- *Deepening study* on particular issues in order to identify common understandings?

- *Negotiation* of a binding instrument?

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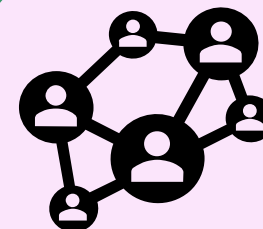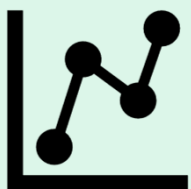
QUESTIONS?

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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES?

UNIDIR Cyber Policy Portal   www.CyberPolicyPortal.org

Summaries of GGE report recommendations on international law, norms and CBMs

https://www.unidir.org/projects/support-oewg-and-gge-0