



CONCEPT NOTE

Multi-stakeholder Approach to Protecting Critical Infrastructure from Cyber Harm Focus on the Healthcare Sector OEWG Side-event, 15 December 2021, 6:45 to 9:30 pm

*In-person multi-stakeholder discussion and reception
convened and hosted by the Czech Republic on the margins of the first substantive session of
the Open-Ended Working Group on security of and in the use of information and
communications technologies 2021-2025 (OEWG)*

Background

The Czech Republic has made protection of critical infrastructure from ICT threats with focus on the healthcare sector a key priority of its domestic and international efforts. To translate the recommendations of the 2021 GGE and OEWG reports into action, the Czech Republic is co-leading a multi-stakeholder project on ‘*Protecting the Healthcare Sector from Cyber Harm*’ alongside the CyberPeace Institute and Microsoft. Our aim is to bring the diplomatic community together with healthcare, cybersecurity, legal and regulatory experts to discuss best practices to implement the agreed framework of responsible state behavior in cyberspace and increase cyber resilience of this vital infrastructure.

Key Topics and Goals

On the occasion of the first substantive session of the OEWG, the Czech Republic invites you to join a panel discussion with members of civil society, industry, and government representatives to discuss the value of a multi-stakeholder approach in protecting critical infrastructure from ICT threats, with added focus on the healthcare sector. The discussion will also explore potential mechanisms for strengthening cooperation and synergies among all stakeholders to increase cyber resilience of critical infrastructure. The panel discussion will be followed by a multi-stakeholder cocktail reception.

Participants

We welcome OEWG Heads of Delegations and accompanying cyber experts to attend and share their views. Members of the multi-stakeholder community including civil society, industry, and other governmental representatives are equally welcome and the host encourages these groups to use this event to share knowledge and expertise to enrich future OEWG deliberations.

Modality and Date

Panel discussion followed by a cocktail reception on Wednesday, 15 December 2021, 6:45 - 9:30 pm.

[Bohemian National Hall](#)
[321 East 73rd Street](#)
[New York, NY 10021](#)

A formal invitation with RSVP information will be sent to Permanent Missions to the UN in New York. Please note that a proof of COVID-19 vaccination will be required to attend the event.