

## **FACTSHEET**

## UNITED NATIONS-SINGAPORE CYBER PROGRAMME: SENIOR EXECUTIVES CYBER FELLOWSHIP AND WORKSHOP ON IMPLEMENTATION OF NORMS AND CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES

The United Nations-Singapore Cyber Programme (UNSCP) was launched in 2018 by Ministerin-charge of Cybersecurity S Iswaran at the ASEAN Ministerial Conference on Cybersecurity (AMCC). The UNSCP aims to support each ASEAN Member State's (AMS) efforts in the coordinated development of their national cyber security policy, strategy and operational practice.

Prior to the launch of the UNSCP, CSA and the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (**UNODA**) worked together to develop the UNODA flagship online training course on the use of ICTs in the context of international security.

The first run of UNSCP was held in July 2019 with a Norms Awareness Workshop. It was wellattended by senior officials from AMS, and participants expressed interest in workshops delving deeper into implementing norms<sup>1</sup> and Confidence Building Measures (CBMs).

Building on this good momentum and feedback from participants asking for multi-disciplinary capacity building, CSA and UNSCP will further collaborate on: (a) a workshop on Implementation of Norms and Confidence Building Measures (**CBMs**) in 2020; and (b) the Senior Executives Cyber Fellowship.

## a. Workshop on Implementation of Norms and CBMs

This is a four-day workshop on Implementation of Norms and Confidence Building Measures (CBMs) implemented under the UNSCP. This is an extension of the existing two-day Norms Awareness Workshop, last held in July 2019.

CSA and UNODA will jointly develop the curriculum of the workshop, focusing on how States identify and operationalise not only the voluntary, non-binding norms recommended in the UNGGE reports, but also the practical CBMs designed to minimise the risk of misperception and conflict in cyberspace.

## b. Senior Executives Cyber Fellowship

The Cyber Fellowship targets participants at the senior management level to provide them with the necessary inter-disciplinary expertise to effectively organise national cybersecurity

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In 2018, the AMCC agreed to subscribe in-principle to the 11 voluntary, non-binding norms recommended in the 2015 Report of the United Nations Group of Governmental Experts on Developments in the Field of Information and Telecommunications in the Context of International Security (UNGGE), as well as to focus on regional capacity-building in implementing these norms.



policy, strategy and operations, while providing a platform for networking with their ASEAN counterparts and key practitioners from the private sector and academia.

The 10-day Senior Executives Cyber Fellowship, which will commence in May 2020, will focus on cybersecurity governance, including best practices in cybersecurity management covering topics such as strategy, operations capacity development, workforce and ecosystem development, and international policy for cybersecurity.

UNODA and CSA will work with local and overseas university partners to jointly design the curriculum and run this Cyber Fellowship, with trainers drawn from subject-matter experts from government, industry and academia in Singapore and around the world. The Cyber Fellowship will complement traditional classroom-style seminars with site visits and fireside chats with key policy-makers and industry leaders to provide participants with a more holistic perspective on international cybersecurity issues.

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