

33rd Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (CCPCJ)

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ORGANIZED CRIME, CRITICAL TECHNOLOGIES AND THEIR IMPACT IN SOUTH EAST ASIA AND BEYOND

The rapid development of technology and cyberspace has long enabled transnational organized crime groups to further their exploitation of vulnerable populations around the world. In South East Asia, access to cryptocurrencies, artificial intelligence, natural language processing software and social media are reported to have played a key role in the spread of fraud and scams, as well as in the exploitation of forced criminality in cyberscam operations. Not only is this causing severe and devastating harms in the region, but its impacts are felt globally, with millions of victims worldwide.

This event will explore the dynamics that have enabled this explosion in criminality, analyze the critical technologies that are being exploited, look at the impact on victims, and discuss what global and regional responses can be developed, including with multilateral institutions, to mitigate and respond to such growing threats more effectively. By analyzing a regional case study with clear and pernicious global impacts, we aim to identify how a regional response, with global support, can respond more effectively and quickly to emerging cyber threats.

Speakers

- Moderator: Ana Paula Oliveira, Senior Analyst, GI-TOC
- Briony Daley Whitworth, Director, Cyber & Tech Multilateral Engagement Section, Cyber Affairs & Critical Technology Branch, International Security Division, Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- Kristina Amerhauser, Senior Analyst, GI-TOC
- Jhehan Septiano B.L., Investigator, Directorate of Cyber Crime Investigation, Indonesian National Police
- Ryan Winch, Transnational Crime and Technology Programme Manager, RSO, the Bali
 Process on People Smuggling, Trafficking in Persons and Related Transnational Crime
- Angel S. Averia, jr. President, Philippine Computer Emergency Response Team (PHCERT)
- Dr Prakash Christiansen, CEO of Vulsan X Corp
- Helena Huang Yixin, Associate Research Fellow, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS)

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