



Cyber Breakfast

The Need for International Cybersecurity Norms of Behavior in an Internet-Dependent World

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8h00 – 9h30

Representation of the State of Hessen to the EU

Welcome Address

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As the world is rapidly becoming Internet-dependent is, governments, businesses and citizens alike are increasingly concerned about their security and privacy in cyberspace. At the same time, governments have begun to significantly invest in cyber offensive capabilities which creates the potential for conflict in cyberspace as well as the risk of unintended consequences from offensive nation state behavior. Concerned with the lack of clarity around what rules apply in cyberspace and how offensive actions could be limited, the EU Cybersecurity Strategy (published in 2013) recognized this challenge. The EU committed itself to “encourage efforts to develop norms of behavior and apply existing international laws in cyberspace.” While governments have begun to give cybersecurity foreign policy a more prominent spot in the international policy agenda, progress toward more concrete consensus around what constitutes acceptable/unacceptable behavior for government action in cyberspace remains slow. Meanwhile, other stakeholders have begun to think about how to accelerate this much needed discussion around international cybersecurity norms: the “London Process” which was launched in 2011 by the UK Government has brought together a range of stakeholders to discuss issues of international security in cyberspace, though it, too, has remained vague about specific outcomes. At the end of 2014, Microsoft launched a new Whitepaper on “International Cybersecurity Norms” which tables some concrete ideas for norms and also outlining frameworks for how to take the norms process forward.

*The language will be English - The meeting is off the record
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