FOSTERING ACCOUNTABILITY IN CYBERSPACE

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The Embassy of Switzerland to the United States, 2900 Cathedral Ave NW, Washington, DC 20008

Agenda

09:00-09:30 Registration and coffee

09:30-10:00 Welcome and introductions

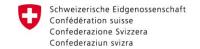|	
Moderator	**Allison PYTLAK** Stimson Center, Cyber, Program Lead
Speaker	**H.E. Jacques PITTELOUD** Ambassador of Switzerland to the United States
Speaker	**Brian FINLAY** Stimson Center, President and CEO
Speaker	**Andrea SALVI** EUISS, Senior Analyst and Project Director EU Cyber Diplomacy Initiative

10:00-11:00 Navigating diverse approaches to cyber accountability

Fostering accountability in a global cyber context means different things to different stakeholders including because of the role we all play in the broader ecosystem or in relation to other factors, including our perceptions of threats at national and regional levels. This session will unpack how different actors approach and define accountability in relation to key questions such as: accountability to whom, by whom, and against which standard, or 'yardstick'? How important is it to have agreed technical, legal and political frameworks, and what is the role of the UN framework? What roles can different types of non-governmental stakeholders play; how is accountability being understood by industry and civil society?

Kick-off Remarks	**Daniel KLINGELE**
	Government of Switzerland, Political Affairs Officer, Arms Control, Disarmament and Cybersecurity
Kick-off Remarks	**Diego MORENO**
	Government of Mexico, Advisor for multidimensional security
Kick-off Remarks	**Monica RUIZ**
	Microsoft, Senior Government Affairs Manager & Digital Diplomacy
Kick-off Remarks	**Anne-Marie BUZATU**
	ICT4Peace, Executive Director
Moderator	**Patryk PAWLAK**
	European University Institute, Visiting Fellow Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies

11:00-11:15	Coffee Break
11:15-12:15	**The relationship between accountability and cyber deterrence**

While the notion of 'cyber deterrence' has been contested, most stakeholders can agree on the importance of trying to deter malicious cyber activity to prevent and reduce harms. Can more robust accountability mechanisms and consequences constitute a way forward on cyber deterrence by compelling restraint – if so, on what actors and for what actions? What role do incentive-based, risk-mitigation-based, and normative approaches such as transparency and monitoring play in deterring, avoiding, transferring and mitigating risks?

Kick-off Remarks	**Sheila FLYNN**
	US State Department, Acting Director
	Office of Global Policy, Plans and Negotiations,
	International Cyberspace Security division,
	Bureau of Cyberspace and Digital Policy
Kick-off Remarks	**Taylor GROSSMAN**
	ETH Zürich, Senior Researcher Cyberdefense Center for Security Studies (CSS)
Kick-off Remarks	**Sean HERITAGE**
	MITRE Ingenuity Lab, Managing Director, Cyber Programs
Kick-off Remarks	**Martin MÜLLER**
	European Repository of Cyber Incidents, Researcher & Legal Officer
Moderator	**Andrea SALVI**
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12:15-12:45 What can we learn about accountability from other threats and risks?

In this session, the Stimson Center will present about its research project on cyber accountability, which is exploring lessons learned and good models from the experience of fostering accountability in response to other risks and threats. It will invite feedback from participants across a set of discussion questions that will be shared in advance during the small group discussions to be held after lunch.

12:45-14:00 Lunch Break

14:00-14:45 Small Group Discussion: Priorities, Challenges and Possibilities

In small groups, participants will reflect on the morning's discussion – is it possible to identify some common accountability priorities, challenges, and possibilities? What approaches might be doable in the near term and aspirational for the longer term and need further research? Participants are also invited to give feedback on Stimson's project.

14:45-15:30 Report back from Small Group Discussion

Groups will report back briefly on what they discussed in the breakouts.

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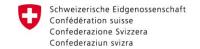*Facilitator* Stimson Center, Program Lead, Cyber

15:30-16:00 Coffee Break

16:00-17:00 Current proposals and approaches

This session will examine some of the ways in accountability is being advanced and fostered through technological cooperation, industry initiatives, and regional approaches and identify what more is needed going forward. It will examine if and how these efforts might intersect with or complement one another, and the role that experts and diverse actors can play in developing possible cyber

accountability frameworks or tools.

	Andrea CALDERARO
Kick-off Remarks	Cardiff University, Associate Professor in International Relations
	Jerry GUPTA
Kick-off Remarks	SwissRe, Senior Vice-President
	Louise-Marie HUREL
Kick-off Remarks	RUSI, Research Fellow Cyber
	Moliehi MAKUMANE
Kick-off Remarks	UNIDIR, Researcher, Security and Technology Programme
	Debra DECKER
Moderator	Stimson Center, Senior Advisor

17:00-17:30   Wrap-Up
17:30   Reception