



PGA REGIONAL CARIBBEAN WORKSHOP ON ENGAGING FEMALE AND MALE PARLIAMENTARIANS IN AFRICA IN PROMOTING (I) UNIVERSALITY AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BUDAPEST CONVENTION ON CYBERCRIME AND ITS TWO ADDITIONAL PROTOCOLS AND (II) RAISING AWARENESS ON THE DIFFERENTIATED IMPACT OF CYBER INCIDENTS ON THE BASIS OF GENDER

PORT OF SPAIN, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

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In Kind Cooperation with the PGA National Group of the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago

PORT OF SPAIN PLAN OF ACTION

- Raise awareness within our respective Parliaments regarding the existence of the Budapest Convention on Cybercrime of 2001, as well as its two Additional Protocols, and highlight the benefits of adhering to these international treaties.
- Consider encouraging, as appropriate, our respective Governments to outreach to the Council of Europe to explore the possibility of seeking expert advice and capacity training to ensure the adequacy of existing legislation, or legislation being contemplated, to address threats posed by cybercrime.
- Consider encouraging, as appropriate, our respective Governments to give due consideration to requesting an invitation from the Council of Europe to accede to the Budapest Convention on Cybercrime.

- Sensitize colleagues in Parliament to the crucial role that educational initiatives can play in combating cybercrime, both in schools and professional organizations, and identify possible innovative approaches to achieve these objectives.
- Consider reaching out to the Council of Europe and CARICOM IMPACS directly to seek additional information, as may be needed, as well as the Organization of American States (OAS).
- Seek to engage more female parliamentarians to involve themselves more directly in this field, taking into account the well documented disproportionate adverse impact of cybercrime on women.
- Highlighting the importance of continued engagement and outreach with civil society, the private sector, and other relevant stakeholders.
- We aim to inform PGA within the next 6 months of any initiatives that have been taken or that we are planning to undertake pursuant to this Plan of Action.