Finland welcomes the opportunity to inform on the General Assembly resolution 71/28.

Efforts taken at the national level:


b) Finland has established a National Cyber Security Centre and a Cybercrime Prevention Centre and appointed an Ambassador for Cyber Affairs in the Ministry for Foreign Affairs. National Information Security Strategy was adopted in 2016.

c) Finland actively contributes to the cyber space related co-operation within the European Union.

d) Finland supports various ICT for development and cyber capacity-building projects. Finland is a founding partner of the Global Forum on Cyber Expertise. In 2016, Finland joined the World Bank’s Digital Development Partnership Trust Fund. Finland supports internet governance based on multi-stakeholder model. Finland has been actively engaged in the World Summit on the Information Society +10 follow-up process, including participating in the work of the Internet Governance Forum and financing it. 8th Finnish Internet Forum was organized in Helsinki in April 2017.

e) Finland actively engages in dialogue on cyber issues in multilateral and regional fora and bilaterally. Within the OSCE, Finland works towards strengthening trust, security and stability in cyber space and implements the agreed cyber confidence building measures (CBMs).

f) Finland has endorsed the 2015 report of the UN GGE and participates actively in the work of the present UN GGE. Finland has participated actively in the discussions on international law in cyberspace, e.g. consultations on Tallinn Manual 2.0 and UNIDIR Workshops.

g) Finland joined the Freedom Online Coalition in 2012 and contributes to the Digital Defenders Partnership. Finland organized the 2016 Unesco World Press Freedom Day conference in Helsinki.

h) Finland is a party to the Budapest Convention. A new Strategic Police Plan (2015) targets resources at computerised crime preventing and developing cybersecurity know-how. There is also a Comprehensive Cybercrime Prevention Plan.

Priority areas for further work by the international community:
a) Finland attaches a lot of importance to the work of the present GGE and is prepared to contribute to its success, including further identification of norms of responsible State behavior in cyberspace with a special emphasis on peacetime activities.

b) Further developing and implementing regional CBMs within the OSCE

c) Continuing support to cyber capacity-building to strengthen resilience and security in cyberspace

d) Finland will continue to support and encourage multi-stakeholder dialogue and strengthen Public-Private Partnerships nationally and internationally.