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e-Workshop on Digital Diplomacy and Cybersecurity

Multilateral Diplomacy

Deadline: 19 Oct 2020

Type:	Workshop
Location:	Web-based
Date:	27 Oct 2020 to 30 Oct 2020
Duration:	1 Weeks
Thematic Area:	Multilateral Diplomacy
Website:	http://www.unitar.org/mdp
Price:	$0.00
Event Focal Point Email:	diplomacy@unitar.org

BACKGROUND

In order to perform efficiently in Vienna’s Diplomatic Community, it is crucial for diplomats nowadays to have a sound knowledge of Digital Diplomacy and Cybersecurity. New digital technologies have had, and will continue to have, a profound impact on both the practice and content matter of diplomacy. The digital ecosystem in which diplomats operate offers new opportunities, especially for smaller states, but also challenges traditional organizational structures. At the same time, cyberspace itself is creating a series of issues, ranging from Internet governance to cybersecurity. The consequences of the current COVID-19 global

crisis have demonstrated how digital tools are an essential resource and how diplomacy has had to face changes in the ways it is conducted.

EVENT OBJECTIVES

This e-workshop will equip participants with the practical skills to make the best use of digital tools in pursuing diplomatic objectives, as well as a better understanding on how to address the challenges and difficulties digital technologies pose for diplomacy. At the same time, it will help them better understand the broad range of problems being generated in cyberspace and how diplomacy can be applied to managing them. It will help learners make the best use of digital tools in promoting diplomatic objectives and develop effective strategies for managing the multiple problems created by the growing cyberspace. An outline of the course's specific sessions will be provided before the workshop starts

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Identify the range of diplomatic tools available to facilitate and promote different diplomatic activities;
- Develop digital diplomacy strategies in pursuit of broader foreign policy objectives;
- Identify the key problems of internet governance and how diplomatic mindsets and techniques can be applied to managing them;
- Distinguish between the different aspects of cybersecurity and the challenge they pose to governments, companies and society;
- Be able to apply diplomatic approaches to managing cybersecurity challenges;
- Identify new strategies to conduct diplomacy in the context of the COVID-19 crisis.

METHODOLOGY

The expert will provide participants with an overview of both digital diplomacy and cyber security, providing the tools to promote broader diplomatic strategies

and the use of diplomacy to tackle the issues arising in cyberspace. The programme includes time for Q&A sessions and group discussions.

TARGETED AUDIENCE

This e-workshop targets Vienna based diplomats accredited to the United Nations Office at Vienna (one participant per Permanent Mission). UNITAR reserves the right to make a selection among candidates.