



CYBER VAWG A WORLD WIDE WAKE UP CALL

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SOUNDING THE ALARM

The combined evidence is disheartening, disturbing and calls for direct and urgent action

Access to the internet is increasingly viewed as a fundamental human right.

It is crucial to ensure that this digital public space is a safe and empowering place for everyone.

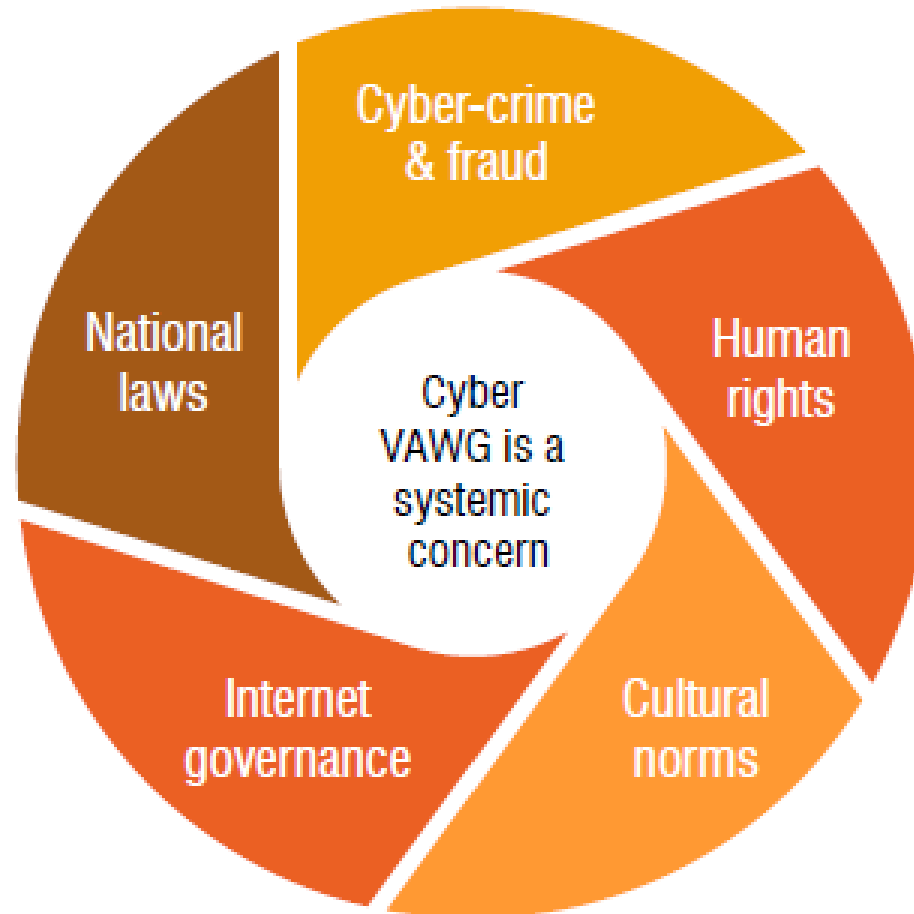


A VIRAL SPREAD OF VIOLENCE

In the last two decades, violence has spread onto virtual platforms and online spaces, where the Internet globalizes, facilitates and compounds its impact.



SYSTEMIC CONCERN



+ Where to from here?

(i) Sensitization (ii) Safeguards (iii) Sanctions

- Preventive measures through public sensitization and consciousness-raising;
- Promotion of safeguards for safety and equality on the Internet for all users;
- Putting in place and enforcement of sanctions.

SENSITIZATION

Prevent VAWG through change in societal attitudes & norms

- Society to prevent all forms of VAWG through changing norms, training, learning, campaigning, and community development
- Justice and security/police to integrate Cyber VAWG concerns into all criminal and cyber-security training

SAFEGUARDS

Oversight & monitoring to minimise risks for women & girls

- Industry to maintain responsible Internet infrastructure & customer care practices
- Development of technical solutions. Promote due diligence & duty to report abuse

SANCTIONS

Adapt & apply laws & regulations

- Develop laws, regulations and governance mechanisms
- Courts and legal system to enforce compliance and punitive consequences for perpetrators
- Consultations on a cyber civil rights agenda



WHAT NEEDS TO CHANGE?

Online diligence, monitoring and reporting against violence and related crimes is everybody's business.

We are all digital citizens, which represents an evolution in our norms - the ways we think about our rights and entitlements, our personal responsibility, our collective responsibility and ownership of this global public commons.