



# CYBERWELLNESS PROFILE

## SYRIA



### BACKGROUND

**Total Population:** 21 118 000

(data source: [United Nations Statistics Division](#), December 2012)

**Internet users,** percentage of population: 26.20%

(data source: [ITU Statistics](#), 2013)

## 1. CYBERSECURITY

### 1.1 LEGAL MEASURES

#### 1.1.1 CRIMINAL LEGISLATION

Specific legislation pertaining to cybercrime is mandated through the following legal instrument:

- Law on the network communication and computer crime control.

#### 1.1.2 REGULATION AND COMPLIANCE

Syria does not have any officially recognised regulation pertaining to cybersecurity.

### 1.2 TECHNICAL MEASURES

#### 1.2.1 CIRT

Syria has an officially recognized [National CIRT](#), which is part of the [National Agency for Network Service](#) (NANS).

#### 1.2.2 STANDARDS

There is no available information concerning any officially recognized national (and sector specific) cybersecurity frameworks for implementing internationally recognized cybersecurity standards.

#### 1.2.3 CERTIFICATION

There is no available information concerning any officially approved national (and sector specific) cybersecurity frameworks for the certification and accreditation of national agencies and public sector professionals.

### 1.3 ORGANIZATION MEASURES

#### 1.3.1 POLICY

There is no available information concerning any officially recognized national cybersecurity strategy.

#### 1.3.2 ROADMAP FOR GOVERNANCE

There is no available information concerning any national governance roadmap for cybersecurity.

#### 1.3.3 RESPONSIBLE AGENCY

The [National Agency for Network Service](#) (NANS) is the officially recognized agency responsible for implementing a national cybersecurity strategy, policy and roadmap.

#### 1.3.4 NATIONAL BENCHMARKING

There is no available information concerning any officially recognized national or sector-specific benchmarking exercises or referential used to measure cybersecurity development.

## 1.4 CAPACITY BUILDING

### 1.4.1 STANDARDISATION DEVELOPMENT

There is no available information concerning any officially recognized national or sector-specific research and development (R&D) programs/projects for cybersecurity standards, best practices and guidelines to be applied in either the private or the public sector.

### 1.4.2 MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT

A center of excellence under management of NANS is dedicated to provide professional training in the field of cyber security.

### 1.4.3 PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION

There is no available information concerning any public sector professionals certified under internationally recognized certification programs in cybersecurity.

### 1.4.4 AGENCY CERTIFICATION

There is no available information concerning any certified government and public sector agencies certified under internationally recognized standards in cybersecurity.

## 1.5 COOPERATION

### 1.5.1 INTRA-STATE COOPERATION

Syria has signed a Memorandum of Collaboration against Malicious Activities in Cyberspace with Japan Ministry of Information and Communication.

### 1.5.2 INTRA-AGENCY COOPERATION

There is no available information concerning any officially recognized national or sector-specific programs for sharing cybersecurity assets within the public sector.

### 1.5.3 PUBLIC SECTOR PARTNERSHIP

There is no available information concerning any officially recognized national or sector-specific programs for sharing cybersecurity assets within the public and private sector.

### 1.5.4 INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Syria is a member of the ITU-IMPACT initiative and has access to relevant cybersecurity services. Syria is also a member of the [OIC-CERT](#).

## 2. CHILD ONLINE PROTECTION

### 2.1 NATIONAL LEGISLATION

Syria does not have any officially recognized legislation pertaining to child online protection.

### 2.2 UN CONVENTION AND PROTOCOL

Syria has acceded, with no declarations or reservations to articles 16, 17(e) and 34(c), to the [Convention on the Rights of the Child](#).

Syria has acceded, with no declarations or reservations to articles 2 and 3, the [Optional Protocol to The Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography](#).

### 2.3 INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT

Syria does not have any officially recognized agency that offers institutional support on child online protection.

## 2.4 REPORTING MECHANISM

Syria does not have any officially recognized agency that offers an avenue for the reporting of incidents related to child online protection.

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