Fostering Security, Privacy and Openness on the Internet

Multi-stakeholder dialogue and exchange in Europe

20 and 21 October 2008, Strasbourg, Agora Building, Council of Europe

As a contribution to the 2008 Internet Governance Forum (IGF), and at the request of several stakeholders (states, industry, civil society), the Council of Europe has agreed to host a European-wide, open-ended, multi-stakeholder dialogue and exchange on the main thematic discussions and workshop proposals for the IGF.

The main focus of this exchange will be to consider ways to foster the security, privacy and openness on the Internet. Side events on other IGF themes, such as access and the management of critical Internet resources, could also be organised.

The success of this exchange depends on the active participation, support and expertise of civil society, business, states, international organisations and others, all of whom are invited to assist in preparing and contributing to this event.

For those interested in pursuing an active role in this exchange, please contact Mr Thomas Schneider at OFCOM, Switzerland (thomas.schneider@bakom.admin.ch) and/or Mr Lee Hibbard at the Council of Europe (lee.hibbard@coe.int) and/or.

Further information on the event will be made available shortly.