

# GFCE V-Meeting: CCB Research Agenda Consultation Session

6 May 2020 13.00 - 14.00 UTC





CCB Research Agenda Lifecycle





#### 1. Gathering Ideas and RQs

- · WGs identify knowledge gaps and ideas
- Research Committee translates ideas into research questions
- WGs prioritize research questions in the group

#### 2. Prioritizing RQs

- · Secretariat compiles the RQs from the WGs
- The GFCE Community is invited to rank and prioritize the RQs

#### 6. Research project complete

- The Research Committee receives the research project and shares it with relevant WG
- The research project is then delivered to the wider GFCE Community and is uploaded on the Cybil Portal

#### 3 3. Presentation of Agenda

 Based on the received rankings, the GFCE Foundation Board will present the CCB Research Agenda to the Community

#### 5. Research project is commissioned

- The Secretariat prepares proposals for research consultant and the research project is executed
- The Secretariat keeps the WGs up to date on the process

#### 4. Funding received

 The Foundation Board invites donors to fund research projects on the Agenda throughout the year





Metrics to measure the impact of ccb projects Result monitoring and evaluation

Objective, experience-based metrics to evaluate cyber capacity building progress

Practical guidance on the implementation of norms

Measurement, Technical Skills, Soft Skills (Management, Career Path Planning), etc.)

Principles and best practices in designing and implementing CCB programs

Mapping available research, particularly from developing countries (eg Africa)

Certification of Skills

Overviews to give insight in multiple frameworls around the globe on a particular topic



How to organize and focus cyber workforce development.

Relating to Cutting edge technologies

Developing global methodology for tracking/attribution of attacks

Best practices from security assistance programs to develop monitoring and evaluation frameworks that could be used for CCB.

Online education modules

Measuring capacity building approaches and effectiveness; indentifying capacity building needs;

What impact do NCS have?

There is a lack of well documented case studies that outline the successful and (more importantly unsuccessful) elements of capacity building efforts

A systematic understanding of how CCB can be embedded into exisiting fora in the resprive regions



Explaining cyberstability framework, importance of cyberdiplomacy

Identifying vulnerabilities to core internet infrastructure

The two central questions is 'what works in CCB?' (ie. What is empirically validated best practice) and 'What are the trade off?' (ie where do you spend your marginal euro/dollar when resources are short?).

Regarding cyber security knowledge, skills and awareness there are more unknowns than knowns. Measuring the effectiveness of programs is definitely one, but also mapping the scientific status quo on what we actually know.

Assessments on whether human rights safeguards in CCB are effective or counterproductive.

Emergent technology impact

Connection between CCB and and norms and CBMs. How can CCB systematicly support norm/CBM implementation

Landscape review of relevant existing research

Security issues in healthcare, agriculture and education sectors that impact large populations



Study lessons from developing countries

A lack of neutral impact analysis of programs (so conducted by a third party rather than implementors of the project)

How to make use of advanced impact assessment metrics? How to guarantee transparancy?

Cyberhygiene, effectice awareness raising programs, which are replicable globally Understand effective mechanisms to coordinate and avoid overlapping capacity building measures.

We don't know enough about how to choose between different 'best practices': if resources are limited do you build a CERT or a cyber training school? How should countries decide?

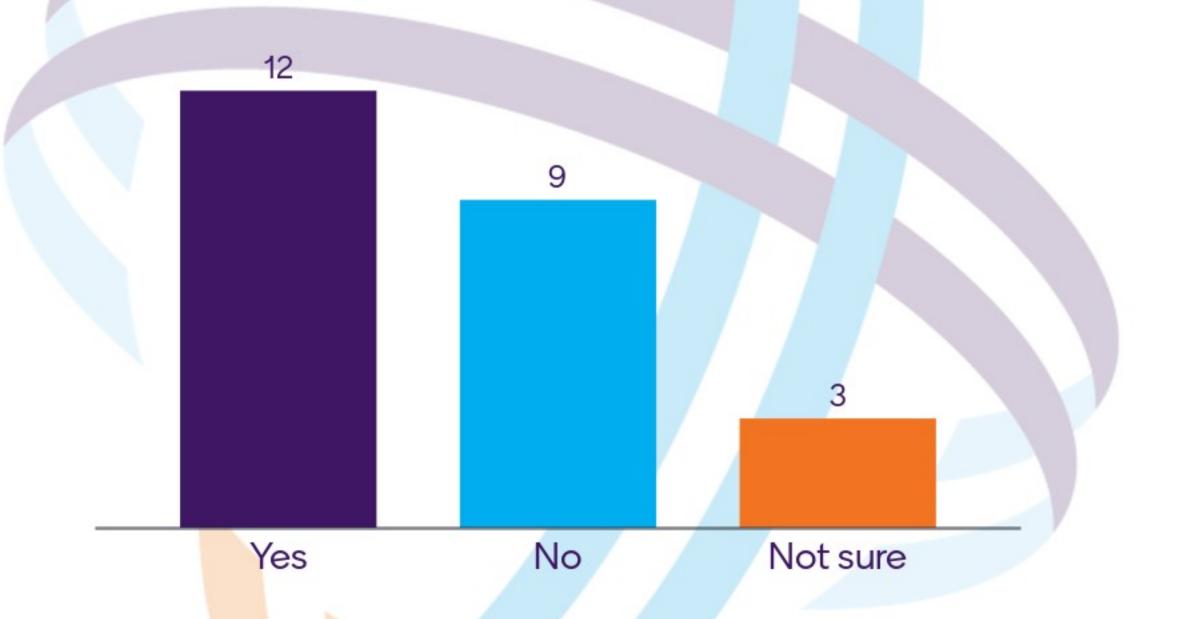
Knowledge gaps: how to make (academic) studies, assessment reports, indices, and materials fit for CCB purpose, i.e. in the form of training packages, mentoring handbooks etc

What a best practices in non-cyber related capacity building efforts that the research community considers important for CCB

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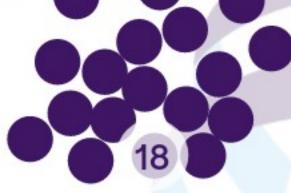
# 2. Should the whole community be responsible for prioritizing and agenda-setting?



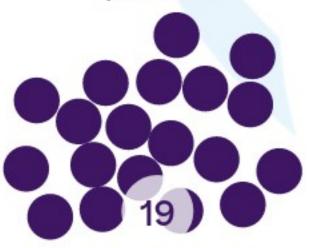


3. Each research question must be elaborated in a one-pager

with further information. What should be on this one-pager?



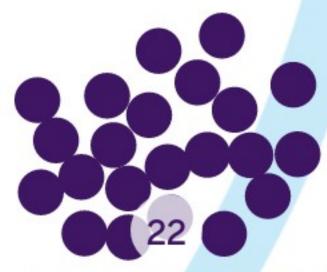
**Explanation of** question



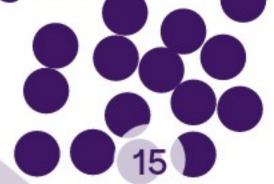
Relevance or connection to CCB



Main beneficiaries



Knowledge gap it aims to address



Time/cost estimate



Others

# 4. What would be important to include in the criterion for prioritizing RQs & agenda-setting?



Availability of data/information.

Should benefit large population

Target audience

An assessement of what research already exists (e.g. literature review)

impact to GFCE mission

Overall impact and benefit for the beneficiaries and the CCB community as a whole

Diversity in beneficiaries

How the RQs directly impact GFCE goals and priorities

Relevance for the objective of the WG and GFCE community



# 4. What would be important to include in the criterion for prioritizing RQs & agenda-setting?



The expected impact and contribution of the research for the global CCB community

Usability / impact of the product

Feasibility, affordability, sufficient data, previous readership experience and quality

Benefit to whole GFCE community

Relevance for WGs' members and partners and feasibility of the research

The prioritization should take account of other research done outside of the GFCE context, including building on existing knowledge (eg public health experience on awareness building).

Usefulness beyond one beneficiary (ie possibility to cover broader region, or replicate for others) should fill a clear niche, and cant be covered through "normal" research opportuntiies

A consideration of content or work already being done in the wider community

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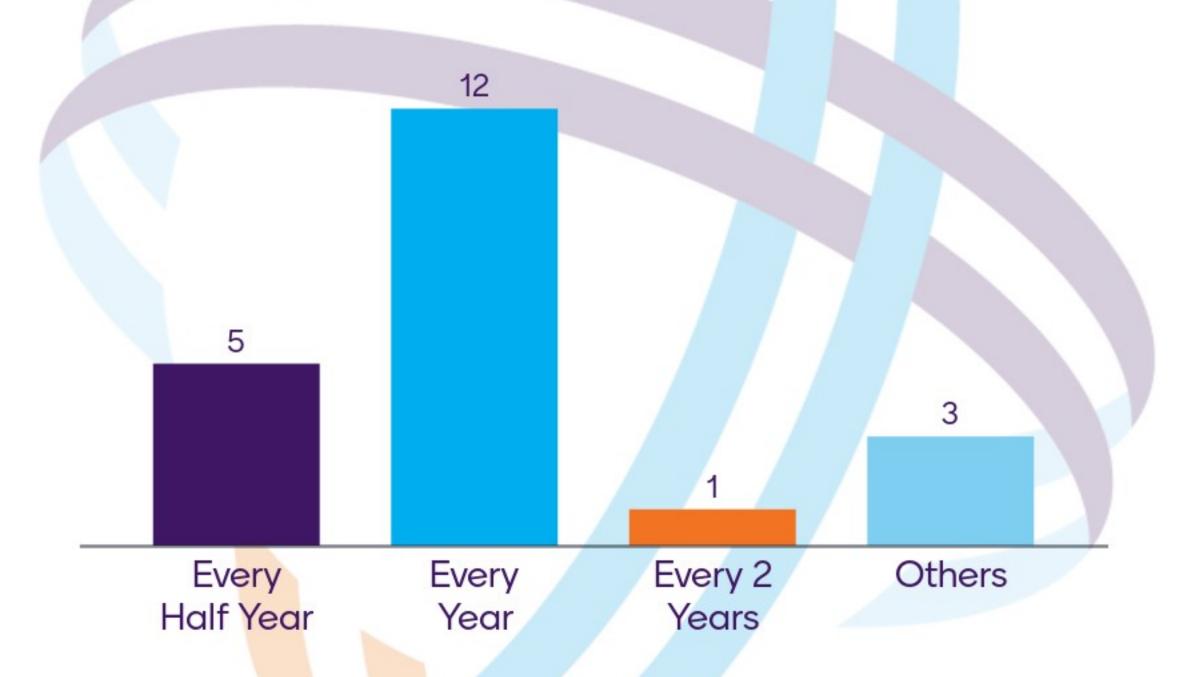


Will the outcomes of the research impact a significant proportion of GFCE's members?



# 5. How often should we call for new ideas and update the CCB Research Agenda?





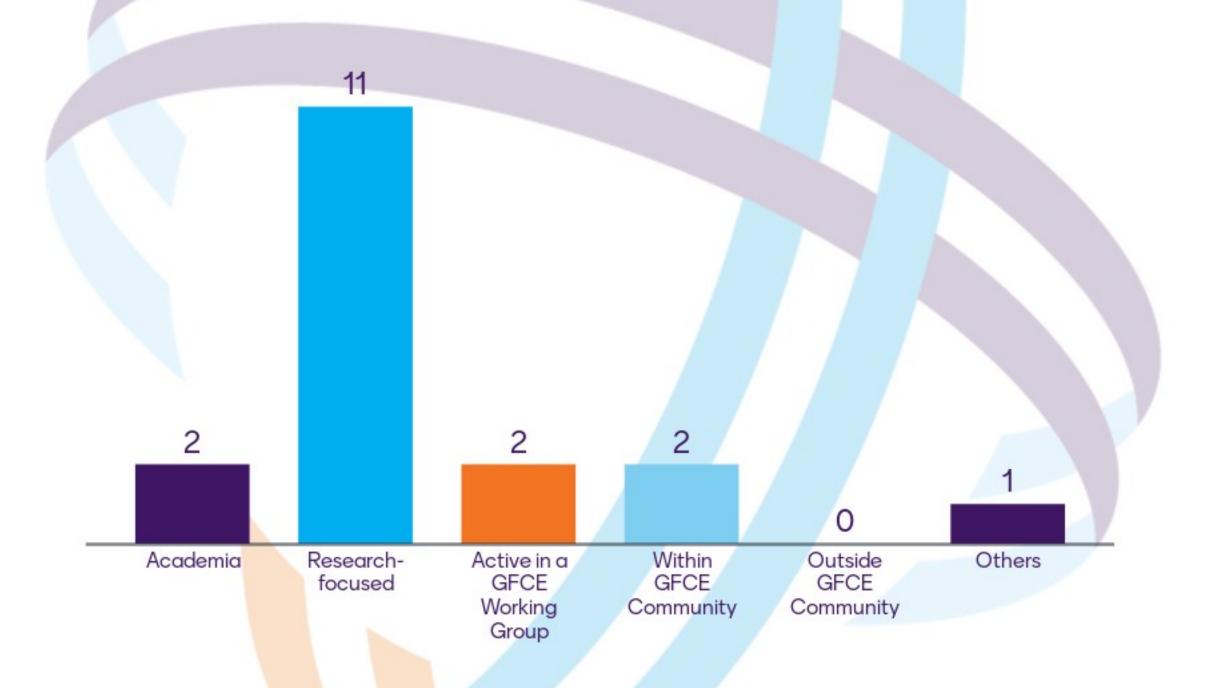
## 6. Do you agree with the proposed role of the Research Committee?





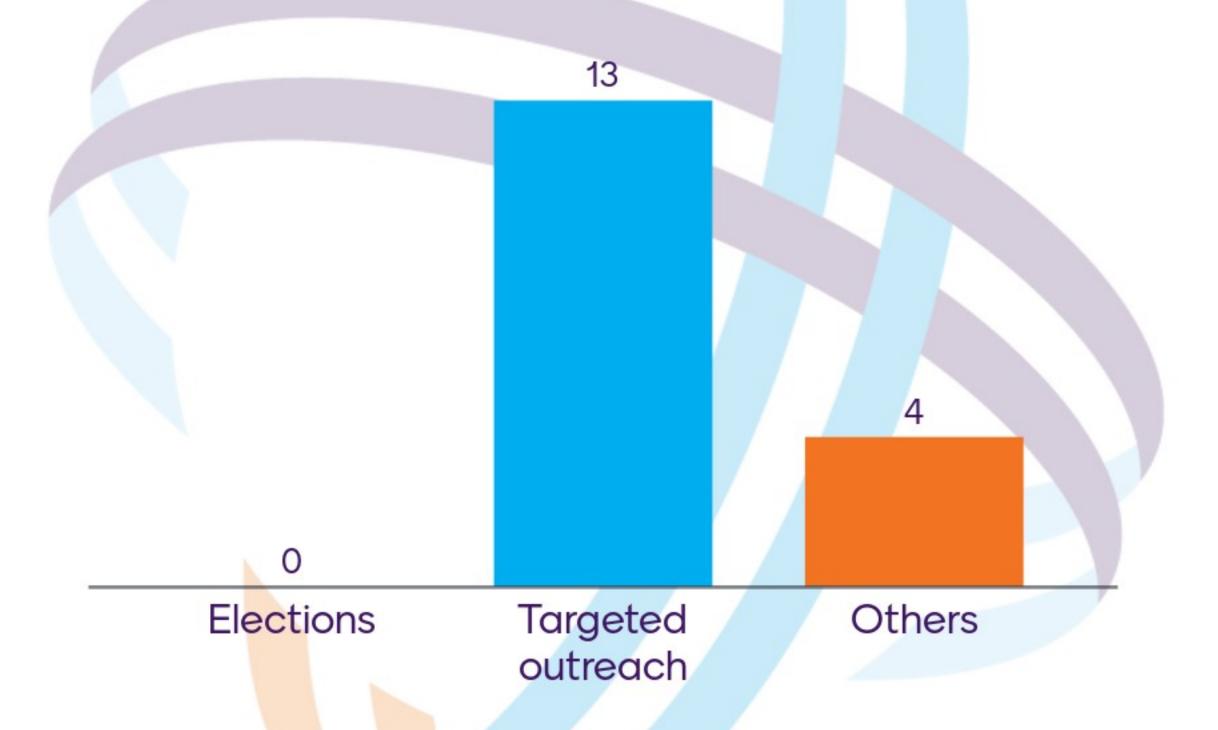
# 7. What background should a member of the Research Committee have?





#### 8. How should we form the new Research Committee?





### 9. What else should the GFCE Secretariat consider as we refine the mechanism?



Clarify roles and responsibilities of the WGs, Secretariate, research committee

Have/acquire adequate capacity to conduct high quality research

Availability of people to serve on the RC - Time is valuable

Have a look at how other organisations (generally, in cyber affairs) commission research, I'm thinking of APNIC grants, .....

Evaluate the research project(s) as a seventh step in the mechanism?

Critically reflect whether the a new CCB committee can really meet the expectations that were discussed today.

Availability and sources of funding and the vehicles to distribute \$ to researchers

Clear roles and responsibilities of the research committee in relation to the AB, WG/TaskForce Chairs, Foundation Board, etc...

Agree on certain principles for research projects, e.g. diversity, representation

### 9. What else should the GFCE Secretariat consider as we refine the mechanism?



Think about effective engagement strategies to involve/follow academia and/or national science foundations on relevant research.

This only works if we have money. Maybe this can be linked to some kind of subscription paid by Members. Small amount could go a long way. We should also look at ways to make the money go further, eg partnership with other grant making groups.

Clear mandate, clarifying and specifically framing roles, responsibilitied

Scoping of the universe of peer reviewed academic journals with some focus on CCB for possible engagement and partnership.





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