

errorists and terrorist groups exploit the Internet and social media not only to commit terrorist acts, but also to facilitate a wide range of terrorist activities, including incitement, radicalization, recruitment, training, planning, collection of information, communications,



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As counter-terrorism measures increasingly raise challenges relating to privacy and data protection, experts recognize a lack of data-protection legal frameworks and guidance for private companies and Governments addressing technical issues such as legal enrolment criteria, data retention or deletion policy, data processing, data sharing, preventing misuse of data, data security, validation and oversight. This creates a serious impediment to international cooperation and international sharing

Committee, with the support of CTED, to examine Member-States' efforts to protect critical infrastructure from terrorist attacks, related to the implementation of 1373 (2001) and with the aim of identifying good practices, gaps and vulnerabilities in this field. CTED, INTERPOL and UNOCT developed, in 2018, "The protection of critical infrastructure against terror attacks: Compendium of good practices", which may be complemented by an addendum addressing cyberissues with more specificity.

New technologies using decentralized and distributed structures, such as blockchain-related technologies, can be used and leveraged by various parties to exchange, move, withdraw or account for various classes of assets outside classical financial networks. Virtual assets, such as Bitcoin, allow for the anonymous transfer of funds internationally, which is known to have been increasingly used to finance terrorism. Globally, the use of crowdfunding techniques also represents a recognized terrorism-financing risk. Crowdfunding is an Internet-enabled way for businesses, organizations or individuals to raise money, through donations or investments, from multiple individuals. In its work on countering the financing of terrorism (CFT), CTED has been paying increasing attention to