



The Commonwealth

**Rule of Law Webinar Series:  
COVID-19 and the Rule of Law**

# **COVID-19 and the rise in Cybercrime across the Commonwealth**

**Tuesday 29 September 2020, 13:30 to 15:00 BST**

The webinar will focus on the rise in cybercrime linked to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the pandemic, many Commonwealth countries have noted a rise in crimes such as internet fraud and online child abuse.

Panellists will discuss how the pandemic has exposed the vulnerabilities to cybercrime in the Commonwealth, and will highlight the need for countries to adopt, in line with the Commonwealth Cyber Declaration, strong legal frameworks, policies and public information awareness strategies in order to effectively combat cybercrime for the future.

Speakers:

- **Colin Nicholls QC, Barrister**, Honorary Life President, Commonwealth Lawyers Association
- **Craig Jones**, Director, Cybercrime Directorate, INTERPOL
- **Michael Fawcett**, Office of the Attorney General of Ontario
- **Anselm Charles**, ICT Manager, CARICOM IMPACS
- **Arianna Lepore**, Programme Officer, Terrorism Prevention Branch, Division for Treaty Affairs, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

Moderator

**Dr Joe Burton**, Research Fellow, International Security Programme, Chatham House

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