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Conference Announcement
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Decoding the Human: Social Science Approaches to Cybercrime

This conference serves to highlight the social dimensions of cybercrime. With the focus often on the more technical aspects of cybersecurity, the human actor can sometimes be forgotten. Organised by the Human Cybercriminal Project of the Extra-Legal Governance Institute, this event aims to bring together leading thinkers in this area from across academia, journalism, government and the private sector.

Many approaches investigating cybercrime thus far have focused on the technological elements, but there is now a great need to understand the “human” side of online crime: Who are the cybercriminals? What motivates them? How do they operate? What can be done to address the threat? Drawing together experts from across academia, law enforcement and the private sector, the aim of the conference is to shed light on these vital, but not widely studied, issues. It will build on some initial insights developed in the first two Decoding the Human Conferences held in 2015 and 2017.

We welcome contributions from a wide field of disciplines including cyber security, socio-legal studies, anthropology, psychology, criminology as well as political science, economics and sociology. This conference will be held under the Chatham House Rule and registration is required.

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