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INTERPOL Global Crime Trend



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INTERPOL reports that the leading threats globally are financial and cyber crimes.

The above report was presented at the 90th INTERPOL General Assembly meeting held from 18-21 October 2022 in New Delhi. The document analyses data received from law enforcement agencies from 195 countries to map current and emerging threats around the world.

The results show that more than 60 per cent of respondents considered the following crimes as high or very high threats: money laundering, ransomware attacks, phishing and online fraud. In addition, more than 70% of respondents expect phishing and ransomware attacks to increase significantly in the next 3-5 years.

Financial crime and cybercrime are intertwined, as much of the financial fraud takes place via digital technologies. Exposure of unauthorised access to business email, cybercriminals impersonating executives, e-commerce or investment fraud are just some of the online threats encountered, which have increased in almost every region. Particularly

noteworthy is the fact that ransomware attacks are now targeting targets with a significant role in society, including large corporations, governments and critical infrastructure.

The paper shows how areas of crime converge in complex and mutually reinforcing ways. Understanding this complexity is key to driving prevention - mainly raising awareness of the issue worldwide.

For more information and the report: https://www.interpol.int/News-and-Events/News/2022/F inancial-and-cybercrimes-top-global-police-concernssays-new-INTERPOL-report

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