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Code and Convention: Policy, Power and the Making of International Cybercrime Law

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As cybercrime grows in scale and complexity, shaping international law to combat it requires more than technical expertise, it demands diplomatic finesse, legal imagination and most importantly, global cooperation. This poster offers a look into the making of the UN Cybercrime Treaty 2024, the first major binding international legal instrument on cybercrime.

As part of INTERPOL's diplomatic mission, I was part of the team involved in shaping treaty text. I explore how legal language, political pressure and technical realities collide in the negotiation room and how global policy on issues like data access, jurisdiction, encryption and dual criminality is formed.

This poster is aimed at making international law accessible to non-lawyers, especially to those in computing, by unpacking how technical decisions influence legal standards, and how the language of policy can empower or constrain technological innovation. The poster invites those in the computing field to see themselves as not only builders of systems but also shapers of the laws that govern them.

The poster aims to inspire dialogue between technical and policy communities and show how diverse voices can help close the gap between the developers of digital tools and the designers of the global rules that govern their use.

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