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National Conference on Digital Rights and Internet Freedom in Cambodia

Phnom Penh – Digital Rights Working Group is a group of civil society organizations consisted of 13 members. Digital Rights Working Group will assemble national conference on “Digital Rights and Internet Freedom in Cambodia” that will be organized on 26th January 2022. This conference will start from 8AM till 4:30PM at Himawari Hotel, Phnom Penh and live via zoom for those who cannot attend the conference.

This is the first time that Digital Rights Working Group cooperate together to organize the national conference on “Digital Rights and Internet Freedom in Cambodia” within the purpose to

- Raising public awareness about the development of digital rights and internet freedom emphasized on National Internet Gateway, Draft cybercrime law as well as draft cybersecurity law.
- Strengthening the solidarity between civil society, the private sector and other stakeholders to jointly advocate for the betterment of laws and regulations on digital rights and internet freedom as well as to meet the standard of freedom of expression and human rights.
- Collecting inputs to promote and protect digital rights and internet freedom from development partners and submit the inputs to government and ministries.

National Conference on “Digital Rights and Internet Freedom in Cambodia” will also live the entire day on the Facebook page of 13 organizations which organize this conference.

This National Conference will be discussed on three main topics by experts from government, civil society organizations and private sectors who have experiences working in the aspects of digital rights and internet freedom in Cambodia.

The topics that will be discussed in the national conference are

- Promoting digital rights and protecting privacy
- Solidarity and common voices on internet freedom in Cambodia
- Civic space for accelerating digital rights and internet freedom
Please be informed that Digital Rights Working Group (DRWG) is a technical group of collective civil society organizations working on digital rights and internet freedom in Cambodia. The DRWG has been working to raise public awareness, capacity building, advocacy, legal analysis and consultation with key stakeholders to promote digital rights and internet freedom.

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**Co-organizers of National Conference are**

1. ActionAid Cambodia (AAC)
2. Advocacy and Policy Institute (API)
3. Cambodian Journalists Alliance Association (CamboJA)
4. Cooperation Committee for Cambodia (CCC)
5. Cambodian Center for Independent Media (CCIM)
6. Central
7. Cambodian Institute for Democracy (CID)
8. Klaahan
9. Cambodian Youth Network (CYN)
10. Open Development Cambodia (ODC)
11. Sahmakum Teang Tnaut (STT)
12. Transparency International Cambodia (TIC)
13. Youth Resource Development Program (YRDP)
14. Other NGOs