The new Cybersecurity Initiative at New America will have three major elements:

NETWORKS
Supported by our partnership with the Hewett Foundation, we will build:
- An International Cyber Network to write and comment on cybersecurity issues from a range of vantage points, providing a unique set of foreign perspectives to what is an inherently global field.
- A series of media partnerships to connect the above networks into and push forward wider public discourse. These include New America’s relationship with Slate Magazine and its Future Tense blog, a new cybersecurity focused podcast co-hosted with Christian Science Monitor, its “Future of War” programming with Defense One/The Atlantic, and launch event with CNN.

EVENTS
We will work with our networks and other partners to support events that promote the initiative’s objective.
- A Policy/Business Roundtable aimed at bringing together some of the best thinkers from the policy and business communities to discuss common approaches to emerging or under-addressed cybersecurity policy issues.
- An Annual Conference bringing together diverse expert communities and policy leaders, while highlighting bold new ideas.

RESEARCH AND ADVOCACY
We will continue to build on our extensive policy research and focus especially on developing cybersecurity policy approaches that are realistic, yet scalable and impactful.
- A suite of new online resources and databases, such as the cyber definitions database recently completed by New America’s cyber team, made available for media, government, and other researchers to leverage in their own work.
- Through the wider partnerships and a focus on impact, we will engage both the wider public and policy makers directly, building a networked case for action on topics that will range from the protection of civil liberties within cyber debates to new military thinking about cybersecurity topics.

There is perhaps no issue that has grown more important, more rapidly, on so many different levels, than cybersecurity. It affects personal privacy, business prosperity and the wider economy, as well as national security and international relations. It is a field that matters for everything from human rights and corporate profits to fundamental issues of war and peace. Yet, while ever more amounts are spent each year, our collective understanding of the problem remains immature and both public policy and private sector efforts have failed to match the scale or complexity of this challenge for us all. The Internet has connected us, but the policies and debates that surround the security of our networks are too often disconnected, disjoint, and stuck in an unsuccessful status quo.

This is what New America’s Cybersecurity Initiative is designed to address. Working across our International Security Program and Open Technology Institute, we believe that it takes a wider network to face the network of diverse security issues. Success in this endeavor will require collaboration—across organizations, issue areas, professional fields and business sectors, as well as local, state, and international borders.

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