Cyber Security Panel Discussions

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What should be the government’s role(s) in securing/protecting the critical infrastructures and private sector networks from attack/damage, etc (from nation states, natural disasters, and catastrophic vulnerabilities)?
What gaps exist in federal authorities (laws/regulations/policies)?
Do you have or do you recommend thresholds for reporting cyber incidents for the government, private sector, quasi private sector?
What organizational structures are necessary to support national security/emergency preparedness communications needs in a converged environment?
If you accept that our way of life is based upon a digital infrastructure that is privately owned and globally operated, how do we get to a public/private partnership and action plan that will build protection and security in--and enable information sharing to better understand when it is under a local or global attack (warning)?
Based on what you know, what are the key intersections between the Economic Stimulus Package and cybersecurity activities within the sectors.
How would the security and stability of the Internet be affected if the single, authoritative root were to be replaced by a multiple root structure?
Based on your experience and expertise and your previous recommendations in this area, please provide us with a prioritized list of ten areas that require immediate attention?