

Last Friday I attended a panel discussing the 2023 Counter Ransomware Initiative(CRI) with DNSA Anne Neuberger. Alongside her was David Koh and Jamila Akaaga Ade, who were representing Singapore and Nigeria respectively. While seeing these prominent and successful individuals up on the stage was terrific, it was the content that they were discussing that truly astounded me. To summarize, they were describing how 47 countries have come together to ruminate over how to mitigate the impacts of ransomware in both the public and private sectors. Thanks to Professor O'Connell's class, I was able to fully understand the nuanced topic at hand as well as the terminology utilized throughout the panel. It was an honor both to attend such an event featuring these "big dogs" in cyber and to leave the space feeling as if I knew more than when I came in.