ANZSOC Thematic Group Proposal

Proposed Title:
Cybercrime and Digital Criminology

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Group Description:
The Cybercrime and Digital Criminology ANZSOC thematic group brings together an interdisciplinary cast of scholars from across Australia and New Zealand seeking to better understand the role and impact of digital technologies on offending, victimisation and justice. Group member share interests across a broad range of areas, including, but not limited to:

- Understanding the extent and nature and extent of cybercrime and technology-facilitated criminality in its many forms;
- Explaining the individual, social and structural factors associated with cyber-offending and developmental trajectories;
- Examining the nature, context and drivers of cyber-victimisation and injustice;
- Developing and evaluating crime prevention strategies and interventions in digital environments;
- Identifying effective means of policing and regulating cyber-offending;
- Examination of justice movements and the impacts of digital advocacy.

Group Aims and Objectives
The thematic group aims to:

- Provide a forum that will serve as a meeting place for like-minded students, early, mid-career and senior researchers to share their research and ideas, seek guidance and mentorship, as well as foster new interdisciplinary collaborations leveraging mixed-method approaches.
- Build links between researchers and practitioners to inform evidence-based policy and advocacy.
- Organise ANZSOC conference panels and other events throughout the year that align with the sub-themes associated with the thematic group.
- Coordinate activities with similarly established divisions and groups within the American Society of Criminology (Division of Cybercrime), the European Society of Criminology (Working Group on Cybercrime), and the International Interdisciplinary Research Consortium on Cybercrime.

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