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Cybercrime and Data Privacy: A report from South Africa

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Head of Regulatory, Ahmore Burger-Smidt recently joined the Data Privacy Detective Podcast.

Cybercrime is extensive and growing in Africa, similar to trends evident in the rest of the world.

Cyber-criminals employ increasingly sophisticated phishing attacks and business email compromise schemes and have expanded with cryptocurrency attacks and direct entry into data storage and other technology to steal personal data and identities.

African countries have responded through governmental and private sector efforts. South Africa's Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA) is about two years in force, with its implementation encouragingly steadfast.

Listen to below for an African view of how the battle between cybercrime and civil society is unfolding.

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