A strong cybersecurity workforce is critical for the national and economic security of the region. Education and opportunity in the Middle East are superior, but not enough students are choosing cybersecurity careers. Young adults aged 18-26 across the GCC region told us:

- Teachers instill healthy cybersecurity habits:
  - Middle East: 59%
  - Global: 48%

- Young adults taught in the classroom how to stay safe online:
  - Middle East: 42%
  - Global: 27%

- Teachers talked about cybersecurity careers:
  - Middle East: 59%
  - Global: 48%

- Met or spoken to a practicing cybersecurity professional:
  - Middle East: 53%
  - U.S.: 20%
  - Asia Pacific: 8%
  - Europe: 20%
  - Global: 21%

Young adults...

- Know what a cybersecurity job entails:
  - Middle East: 53%
  - Global: 39%

- Schooling offered cyber career skills:
  - Middle East: 51%
  - U.S.: 32%
  - Asia Pacific: 24%
  - Europe: 27%
  - Global: 31%

- Have access to cyber programs or clubs:
  - Middle East: 84%
  - U.S.: 55%
  - Asia Pacific: 47%
  - Europe: 46%
  - Global: 54%

Family and peers also have a positive impact...

- Who gave millennials their first cyber talk?
  - Nobody: 12%
  - Parent or relative: 28%
  - Other adult: 29%
  - Friend: 31%

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