



Minutes of the 41st TF-CSIRT Meeting
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1. Welcome and Apologies

Lionel Ferette welcomed attendees to the meeting. No apologies were received for this meeting.

2. Minutes of Last Meeting and Update of Action List

- Minutes

The minutes of the meeting were accepted as an accurate record of the meeting.

- Actions from Previous Meetings

There were no open actions from the previous meeting.

3. Trusted Introducer Update

Klaus Peter Kossakowski gave an overview of the new CERTS that have joined Trusted Introducer since the last meeting. There has been significant growth in commercial and government CERTS, whereas research and education CERTS are plateauing – as should be expected.

UNINETT CERT has now been accepted as a certified CERT and 5 CERTS are now candidates for certification.

Trusted Introducer is now offering information on the public web page in multiple languages. This is based on a fixed template, translated and reviewed by 2 native speakers.

Tomas Lima and Aaron Kaplan are chairing a working group looking at APIs for the Trusted Introducer information and ways to make this information more useful.

4. TRANSITS Update

Don Stikvoort gave an update on progress with TRANSITS training. Don started by recommending the ENISA exercises that are available on the ENISA website as a great starting place for anyone looking for training.

TRANSITS is looking at a more flexible model to allow different formats to be introduced depending on the requirements of attendees (e.g. adding 'capture the flag'). In 2015, TRANSITS options may be added to TF-CSIRT or FIRST meetings to support this flexibility.

The TRANSITS I technical module is being renewed in 2013, and is looking for funded volunteers to help renew this material.

TRANSITS I will next be run on 7/8 April 2014 and 20/21 November 2014 in Prague. TRANSITS II will be in Autumn 2104 in the Netherlands. Don invited anyone who is interested in becoming a TRANSITS Trainer to attend the workshop on Wednesday 12th February at the event.

Don reminded people of the new TERENA / FIRST MoU for use of TRANSITS outside of Europe. CERTS should approach FIRST if they interested in TRANSITS training outside of Europe.

4. Supertel

Supertel (Superintendencia de Telecomunicaciones de Ecuador) from Ecuador introduced themselves to the community. They described some of the issues faced by the team and their interest in the TF-CSIRT community; the team is already using RTIR. Supertel are currently supporting the government and telecommunications sectors but hope to expand to support all citizens in the future.

5. CERT-GOV-GE

CET-GOVE-GE gave an update on activities and international partnerships in Georgia. They work with information reporting over 15,000 affected IP addresses a day – to support this they have introduced a 'check my IP' service. One of their recent concerns was a report placing Georgia eighth on a list of 'most infected nations' in 2013.

Attendees expressed interest in the 'check my IP' software and ask if the CERT-GOV-GE team could make this available.

6. GEANT AND DANCERT Security Changes

Wayne Routly gave an update on changes at GEANT and DANCERT in terms of security practices. GEANT objectives in terms of security are: anomaly objectives, reporting mechanisms, incident handling and security audits.

Current system changes include EOL for Neflex in 2014 and the introduction of a new anomaly detection system and introducing a new ticketing system. A full review of workstations is being undertaken, as well as a review of VPN access and processes.

The Security Team has been restructured and GEANT are seeking secondees to GEANT for a 6-8 months in Cambridge to lead security policy implementation and enforcement.

Challenges in 2013 included CYNET DDoS and the "Snowdon" effect.

In response to the question of the GEANT Virtual Security Team, Wayne explained that this was part of the GEANT project looking at specific multi-domain issues and wasn't part of the core backbone support GEANT. The Virtual Security Team produced projects such as Perfsonar but was ended in GEANT2.

Wayne spoke briefly about the challenges for GEANT in supporting multiple countries across the EU in terms of attacks that may be perceived to be coming from government agencies.

7. Network Security Monitoring Working Group Presentations

Six short reports from the Network Security Monitoring Working Group were presented at the meeting.

- Jan Vykopal – summary of anomaly survey

TF-CSIRTs were invited to participate in an anomaly survey at the September 2013 meeting. Jan reported on the outcomes of this survey. 42 people responded to the survey. The survey looked at how people define 'anomalies', how many people are dedicated to handling reports and how many reports are made.

- Wim Biemolt - Monitoring at Surfnet

Wim gave an update on monitoring practices at Surfnet.

- Pavel Kacha – CESNET Security Tools

Pavel described the following tools used by CESNET: Network Probes on CESNET perimeter, FTAS (continuous monitoring of IP traffic based on collecting netflow), G3, IDS systems, honeypots and systems for sharing correlating data (Warden and Mentat).

- Vytautas Krakauskas - Nfsen and Hadoop

Vytautas reported on a project carried out by LITNET to improve Nfsen. The main problems identified with Nfsen were limited storage and the processing time for large data set. The legal requirements to keep a six-month history for incident handling also created a bottleneck.

LITNET aimed to create a distributed programming model for Nfsen to speed up its file-by-file process. By distributing nfcap files between multiple nodes. Hadoop was used for the clustering process.

- Alexandre Dulaunoy – Port Evolution

Alexandre described an approach adopted to help hosting/ ISP companies to spot problematic IP profiles originating from their ASN. This includes anonymisation using cyrptopan.

- Jan Vykopal - Cybernetic Proving Ground

CPF offers simulation of a large network, systems, services and applications. It then monitors network behavior, detection and mitigation. This makes it easier to investigate cyber threats and attacks with automated gathering and processing of data generated during security scenarios.

This is a project recently started and with a planned end date of December 2015.

8. Date of Next Meeting and AOB

No further business was identified. Lionel Ferette confirmed that the next meeting will in Heraklion, Greece on 29th and 30th

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