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GridPP Security

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- I am a queer cybersecurity professional
- I have a fair bit of privilege, and somewhat of a platform

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion

• It is vital that we protect the right of those we work with to live and work as their authentic selves

Trans Lives Matter

- Our community is built on collaboration
- We should make sure we extend these values to building diverse and inclusive workplaces

Landscape

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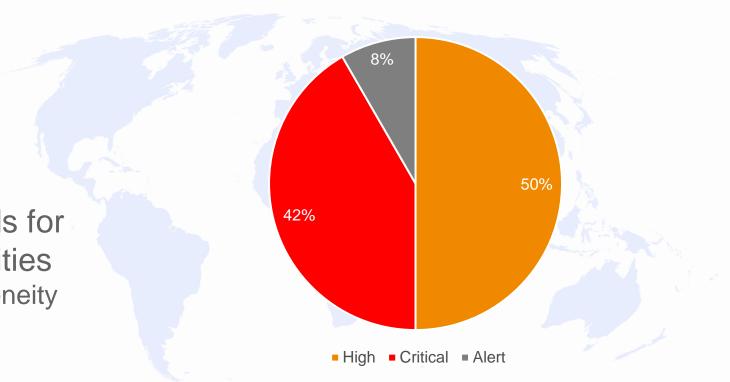
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Vulnerability risk assessments

- 23 Vulnerabilities reported
- 12 advisories sent
 - 5 Critical Risk
 - 6 High Risk
 - 1 'Alert'
- EGI SVG is adapting its methods for dealing with software vulnerabilities
 - increased infrastructure inhomogeneity









IRIS/GridPP Security Team update

- No incidents involving GridPP since GridPP48
- IRIS Security Confluence area still in planning
- Talk about Site Security Survey and SSC in a moment





PREVENTION RESPONSE

Training

- IRIS Security Workshop in January very successful
- Plan for repeat in the middle of the year
 - Risk management module continuing to be developed
- Start planning for later in the year
- Next Security thematic CERN School of Computing has been discussed for October
 - Programme committee needs to meet to plan next steps





EGI CSIRT SSC Update

- Underway this week for CMS sites
 - https://confluence.egi.eu/display/EGIBG/Security+challenges
- GridPP channels:
 - Security-discussion
 - GridPP Security Mattermost
- Focus on communications
- Per site operations, target time, office hours
 - initial feedback: 4h
 - found malicious job/processes/stop them: 4h
 - ban problematic certificate: 4h
 - contain the malicious binary and sent it to the incident-coordinator: 24h





EGI CSIRT SSC Forensics

- The Forensics part of the SSC is managed via https://ssc.egi.eu/.
 - Optional activity of the Site Security Challenge (SSC).
 - By taking part in this game, you will be able to submit answers to additional questions
- The game will focus on selected areas of digital forensics
 - Refer to the information in the Forensics Howto.
- Post-SSC, opt-in to have results added to the final report.
- To register and get started, visit https://ssc.egi.eu/instructions





Site Security Survey

- Since last GridPP, IRIS/GridPP Security Team has worked on Security Survey
- Effectively ready to launch now, will activate post-SSC
- Use to build a picture of site plans over next year





Cybersecurity Assessment Framework

- NCSC CAF
- Step up from Cyber Essentials(+)
- UKRI in the process of showing compliance in the next years
 - Governance this year
- Recommend becoming familiar with this as could prove important in the coming years
 - Particularly at management levels





Digital Research Infrastructure

- DRI Congress held at beginning of March
- Coincident with launch of Future of Computing report
 - Now backed in most recent budget
 - Call for 10 year computing strategy
- Clear that we need a long-term DRI Cybersecurity strategy
- Now considering a number of 1 day DRI Cybersecurity workshops through new financial year





Digital Research Infrastructure

- Focus on common challenges and goals
- Identify early adopter sites we can support to deploy SOC capabilities
- £800k available from April for resource/hardware that can be made available across the UK
 - Use the workshops for planning





Security Operations and Engineering Team

- First full iteration of SCD Security Operations and Engineering team in place
 - James Acris
 - Liam Atherton
 - Callum Pollock
- Primary focus is deployment of STFC SOC components
 - Followed by other key SCD/STFC security monitoring
 - Central Pakiti
- Building to include other aspects of cybersecurity
- Important part of developing (SCD/STFC) cybersecurity profession





STFC SOC update

- All deployment will take place with new security-focused Aquilon archetype
 - Now in place
- Traffic now flowing from LHCOPN tap to zeek capture nodes
 - Begin characterisation and tuning work
- OpenSearch deployed on virtual cluster prior to installation on hardware nodes
- New MISP deployment underway using <u>NUKIB config</u>
 - Czech National Cyber and Information Security Agency
 - Containerised based on CentOS Stream 8





SOC Hackathon

- Dates now confirmed for next SOC WG SOC Hackathon
 - w/c 14th August
 - https://indico.cern.ch/event/1268239/
- Hosted at Cosener's
 - Garden Room + 3 break-out rooms for 5 days
 - ~1 day status updates and 4 days technical work
- Potential for higher level discussions in parallel
 - Keen to include UKRI and DRI participants





Conclusion

- 1. Landscape and high priority of cybersecurity remain the same
- 2. Workshops and SSC will both provide training throughout this year
- 3. Security Survey will let us make plans for each sites needs
- 4. DRI Cybersecurity will become increasingly important with workshops being planned











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