



Control System Cyber-Security Workshop

**Exchanging ideas on HEP security
— Discussion —**

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Discussion Topics (1/5)

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Is there *really* a risk ?

- ▶ Has your lab been under attack / Is it under attack ? Of which type ?
- ▶ Has your lab had controls-related incidents ? What was the impact ?
- ▶ How do you see the future ? More attacks ? Less ? Incidents ?

Who is the *real* threat ?

- ▶ Attackers, visitors & their laptops, or local engineers with finger trouble ?
- ▶ The local security team ?
- ▶ What about physical security ? More important ? Less ?

Does local staff need “cyber” to break into systems ?



Discussion Topics (2/5)

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How to obtain *sincere* commitment /resources/money ?

- ▶ Which approaches do work ? Top-down or bottom-up ?
- ▶ How to obtain management buy-in ? How did you /your team ?
- ▶ How to provoke a mind change of developers/experts/managers ?

How to balance/prioritize between:

Efficiency — Safety — Security

Operation/Production — Academic Freedom — Security

- ▶ What should be the ideal balance/priority ?
- ▶ Which changes might this imply to your lab ? Will this be accepted ?



Discussion Topics (3/5)

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How to *harden* operating systems ?

- ▶ What is your patching strategy/cycle for control-PCs ?

How fast did you fix CVE-2009-2692/2698 (Linux kernel vulnerability) ?

- ▶ Do you consider this to be optimal ? What should it be ? Why is it not ?

- ▶ How do you patch embedded devices (like oscilloscopes) ?

Does the corresponding vendor support this ? Provide recommendations ?

- ▶ What are other preventive means ?

Is firewalling working ? What about antivirus software & CPU cycles ?

How to *harden* the software applications ?



Discussion Topics (4/5)

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How does your network provide *additional* security ?

- ▶ How to push data to the world (e.g. status information, historic data) ?
- ▶ What do you think of wireless networks for controls ?
- ▶ What is your experience with intrusion detection ?

How to deal with access control ?

- ▶ How do you control secured access to e.g. PLCs or field devices ?
- ▶ How do you deal with remote access for experts & developers ?
Are they happy ? How to improve ?
- ▶ Will multi-factor authenticated be feasible/acceptable ? Why ? Why not ?



Discussion Topics (5/5)

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Does security need better procedures ?

- ▶ What are your experiences with Software Development Life-Cycles ?
- ▶ ...with security demands in procurement contracts ?
- ▶ What about laws and external directives ? Do you have to adhere to some ?
- ▶ Are there good standards out ?
- ▶ Is an asset inventory useful ? What about conducting risk assessment ?

What is *your* security strategy ?

- ▶ What worked ? What not ?
- ▶ *What else ?*