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LS-ISAO End of Year Highlights

The legal services threat information sharing community, LS-ISAO, has had a strong year of engagement and activities designed to uplift the sector's cybersecurity.

As of November 2022, LS-ISAO circulated a total of 942 alerts for the calendar year, including alerts generated by LS-ISAO analysts and analyst-enriched government and vendor alerts. Member submissions doubled from last year and there was a significant increase in trusted partner submissions. The community also circulated eight surveys ranging in topics like email management practices, external penetration testing, and password configuration.

LS-ISAO staff and members worked together on several significant incidents. At the beginning of the year, members, LS-ISAO staff and security vendor partners collaborated in response to Log4j to determine the scope of the threat and ways in which law firms could protect themselves. In May, at the request of members, a call was scheduled on UNC3524. Members were joined by Mandiant's Incident Response Manager for a presentation on the threat group, its tactics, targets, and details of attacks.

The community held several in-person and virtual events including a CISO Roundtable meeting featuring a discussion on navigating security in a hybrid world, a table-top exercise held jointly with Boston Consulting Group to test disaster preparedness, an "open mic" session to discuss ISO27001, and LS-ISAO's Annual Gathering at the...

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...Gaylord National Resort which hosted members and speakers from Mandiant and Microsoft.

The Cyber Incident Response Committee released the LS-ISAO Incident Response Plan that member firms can customize to fit individual firm needs.

During monthly member calls, the community discussed issues like remediation, the state of cybercrime, the short and long-term cyber impacts to firms from the Russia-Ukraine conflict, the legal threat landscape, and new SEC cybersecurity disclosure rules.

K12 SIX Webinar

K12 SIX, the GRF affiliated community focused on cybersecurity for primary and secondary education, is hosting a complimentary webinar event on 12/14 at 2pm ET called "Options Equal Adoption: The Secret to Making Districtwide MFA a Reality." Panelists include K12 SIX National Director Doug Levin, Dallas Independent School District Assistant Superintendent of Technology Jon Hurley, and Identity Automation Senior Architect Kevin Satterfield.

Education is a frequent target for ransomware attacks, resulting in higher insurance premiums and a higher bar for coverage that often includes MFA mandates. Join to learn how to identify which of your users are at risk, enhance security with flexible MFA, and implement best practices to comply with cyber insurance provider mandates. Register <u>here</u>.

Interested in becoming a member, sponsor, or partner? Contact <u>info@grf.org</u>.

World Economic Forum Cybersecurity Meeting

GRF received a grant from the Gula Tech Foundation in June 2022 to help strengthen board-level visibility into cybersecurity issues. In support of this effort, GRF CEO Mark Orsi traveled to Geneva in November for the World Economic Forum's Annual Meeting on Cybersecurity. Mark spoke on a panel about initiatives to prevent systemic issues across borders and industries, and how to create a fabric of security and resilience that includes small and medium-sized businesses. Key topics discussed during the event will be shared at the annual leadership meeting in Davos and include initiatives on operational resilience, supply chain security, and exercises. A new working group on cybersecurity in manufacturing has also been created. All of these important topics align well with ongoing efforts in GRF's Business Resilience Council, Manufacturing ISAC, Legal Services ISAO, and other communities in the GRF network.

BRC Supply Chain Disruption Exercise

The Business Resilience Council will host a virtual tabletop exercise in partnership with IBM Promontory on January 26 from 12:30-4:30pm ET. The exercise will address supply chain security and business continuity disruptions stemming from a hypothetical geopolitical conflict in Asia that impacts businesses, worldwide. The exercise will help an organization evaluate its overall resilience in different areas, flexibility in responding to strategic challenges, and will test an organization's understanding of its crisis management policies and intra-organizational roles and responsibilities.

Register for the exercise here.

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This exercise has been developed in cooperation with the public sector as well as industry leaders in the technology, financial, manufacturing, and communications sectors. Included injects, borrowed from past crises and plausible threats come, have been submitted by practitioners working in third party risk management, geopolitical security, operational resilience and cybersecurity.

Impacts and interdependencies between manufacturers of semiconductors, pharmaceuticals, consumer goods, and energy infrastructure will be evaluated, as well as likely impacts to the financial sector which could be caused by sanctions, trade restrictions and embargos. These industries have far-reaching interdependencies with other sectors to the extent that all organizations are welcome and should expect to benefit from participation.

Participants in this exercise will receive a copy of the scenario and injects, an afteraction review, and will be provided with a certificate to document education from four hours of exercise training. Nonmembers may attend, but BRC members receive preferred pricing.

Any organization can join the Business Resilience Council to get access to the member portal alerts and other products and services by visiting: <u>www.grf.org/brc</u>.

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