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AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The workshop aims to provide a forum to the young scientists/researchers from the developing countries to learn about the latest advancements in the field of Internet security; promote the use of state-of-the-art technologies for protection of network and network-accessible resources from different types of malicious attacks; and identify effective Internet/information security solutions for general public, governmental organizations and commercial ventures through rigorous risk-analyses and security management approaches.

FORMAT

The workshop includes technical presentations, tutorials and hands-on training sessions by a group of renowned subject experts. It will cover major aspects of Internet/information security, ranging from theoretical understanding of cryptographic algorithms to practical subtleties of the network systems, and will also address the related managerial and technical issues. Moreover, a handful of network security tools will be demonstrated to provide opportunities to the participants to update their knowledge-base and interact with experts for further collaborative undertakings.

KEY AREAS

Following are the key topics of the workshop:

- Network Security: Modern Attacks, Evasion Techniques and Defenses
- Malicious Code Analysis and Detection
- Information Security Risk Assessment/Management
- Measuring Security
- Ethical Issues of ICT Security
- Organizational Security Standards, Policies and Guidelines
- Cryptographic Techniques for Network Security
- Web Security
- Social Network Security
- Cloud Computing Security
- Digital Forensics Procedures and Tools

TARGETED INDIVIDUALS

Young researchers, practitioners, academicians, executives, system administrators, system programmers, and students working in the field of Internet/information security and cryptography are invited to participate in the workshop.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

The workshop is expected to enable the participants to:

- Understand network protocols, models, topologies and related security threats;
- Understand major modern-day cryptographic algorithms and protocols;
- Understand how to send secure emails
- Use Full Disk Encryption (FDE) tools, including TrueCrypt;
- Understand the anti-virus, anti-spyware tools and firewalls;
- Understand the working of major web-security applications;
- Understand the working of contemporary biometrics systems;
- Understand organizational security measures, risk assessment tools and techniques and implement appropriate policies and procedures for a given organization;
- Understand different aspects of cyber security; and
- Understand and use various types of ethical hacking tools to secure the networks, including: network sniffing, spoofing and poisoning; port scanning and vulnerability analysis; offline and online password attacks; buffer overflow; and root-kits and trojans.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Partial or full financial support will be provided to selected foreign participants from Member States of COMSATS, ISESCO and INIT.

BACKGROUND

Today, the widespread uses of electronic devices connected with the Internet have introduced many privacy and security concerns. The vulnerabilities on those electronic devices cause serious losses of data and services. Mostly, the users of these devices are not aware of such vulnerabilities. On the other hand, there is an increasing demand to ensure the security of data transfer services in traditional and emerging Internet-based applications through preventing unauthorized access, misuse, modification or denial of information and information systems. Such demands can be ensured through adopting consistent policies and practices, and taking relevant technical measures.

Realizing the significance of Internet Security, the Commission on Science and Technology for Sustainable Development in the South (COMSATS); the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO); and the Inter Islamic Network on Information Technology (INIT) took the initiative of spreading awareness on this important field in the developing countries, particularly in their Member States, by means of organizing a series of training workshops. The first four events of this series were held in Syria (2011), Jordan (2012), Tunisia (2013) and Tanzania (2014), respectively.

INTRODUCTION

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