Listed Teams Discussion: future proposal

TF-CSIRT Meeting
15 May 2017, The Hague

Background

- Summer 2016 – listed teams' survey
- January 2017 – discussion on issues related to listing process and listed teams
  - 7 break-out groups
  - Led by SC and TI
  - Different opinions

Questions / issues 1/3

1. Should there be a time limit on the duration for listing?

Most groups supported some sort of limitation on the listing period – the most favoured suggestion was to re-start the listing process after 3 years.

2. Should PGP keys be mandatory for listed teams?

There was no significant support for mandatory PGP.

3. Should the name "listed" be changed?

There was no consensus on the naming issue, although a better definition of what listing means was recommended by several groups. Suggestion - "CSIRT wanabees". ☺

4. Should there be more restrictive requirements for listing?

There was no consensus on this question, but other recommendations to support "better" listing are made elsewhere.

Questions / issues 2/3

5. Should we keep listed teams?
There is consensus support to keep listed teams in TI.

6. Should the directory be non-public?
The majority of teams felt the directory should be public.

7. Should there be a fee for listing?
There was no consensus on fees for listed teams.

8. Should there be more services for listed teams?
The majority of groups felt that the services offered to listed teams should remain the same.

Questions / issues 3/3

9. Should accredited teams pay more to support listed teams?

There was no consensus on this issue.

10. Should there be mandatory response testing?

There was consensus that listed teams should participate in mandatory response testing.

11. Should we exclude non-responsive teams and how do we better engage teams?

- *Most teams supported some sort of flag on the TI database to show that teams were non-responsive.*
- *Listed teams should be invited to present at meetings – perhaps at the first meeting after listing?*
- *Listed teams should show some sort of engagement via the mailing list, meetings, presentations etc.*

12. What is the role of the listed team sponsor?

Most groups supported a broader role for the sponsors: list them on the profile for listed team, ask them to help with inviting teams to meetings, use them to help trouble shoot.

Conclusions 1 - statements

1. Listed teams should remain a service within the TF-CSIRT portfolio with no change to the name and with the same services offered to the teams.

2. The TI database should remain fully public.

Conclusions 2 – to be decided

1. A better definition of what is meant to be "listed" should be developed (possibly with more promotional-style material) and abuse of this definition should be monitored.

2. Listed teams should be fully relisted after three years, including renewing the sponsorship stages.

3. Listed teams should participate in response testing at least once per year.

4. Non-responsive teams should be flagged / greyed out on the TI database.

5. Listed teams should be actively encouraged to attend the first TF-CSIRT meeting after their listing, and present their team.

Conclusions 3 – to be decided - sponsors

- An enhanced role should be established for the sponsors – they should be listed on the team profile prominently, they should help encourage the team to attend meetings and participate in the community and they should be involved in trouble shooting problems with non-responsive teams.
  - Sensitive information?
  - Requires some development work
  - Removal of support possible?
- Actual contact (i.e. site visit, video conference) required before sponsoring? – proposal – a best practice document

Way forward

- Voting in September
  - Listed teams should be fully relisted after three years, including renewing the sponsorship stages.
  - Listed teams should participate in response testing at least once per year.
  - Sponsoring teams visible on the restricted TI website.
  - Non-responsive teams should be flagged / greyed out on the TI database.
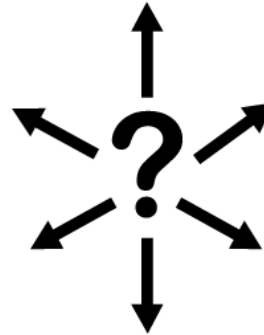
Questions

Who?

What?

When?

Where?