FIRST 2019
EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND
JUNE 16-21, 2019

CALL FOR SPEAKERS
The FIRST Conference Program Chair and Conference Committee issues an annual Call for Speakers for incident response and information security related presentations, case studies, tutorials, and panel discussions. Those wishing to give a presentation must submit an abstract for review and consideration. Past topics have included: creating and managing CSIRTs, computer vulnerability, threat detection, computer forensics, and case studies. Accepted presentations receive a discounted registration fee. Discounts are based on the length and type of presentation. One discount permitted per presentation.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
FIRST sponsorships provide a unique opportunity to show your organization’s commitment to best practice security. Organizations now more than ever understand the importance of supporting global collaboration and cooperation within the information security, risk management, and privacy sectors. Sponsorship opens the doors to a highly influential community of computer security incident response experts and decision-makers from over 60 countries and from various industries.

For more information on sponsorship please contact us at first-2019@first.org.

JOIN THE GLOBAL NETWORK
This conference promises to be an exceptional experience! This is one event you don’t want to miss: take advantage of Early Bird registration rates and hotel discounts - Register Today!

For more information about the Annual FIRST Conference and to Register, visit http://www.first.org/conference/2019.

For inquires: first-2019@first.org

FIRST is an international confederation of trusted computer incident response teams who cooperatively handle computer security incidents and promote incident prevention programs.

BECOME A TRUSTED CONNECTION
Computer security incidents do not respect geographical or administrative boundaries in the global Internet. FIRST is designed to facilitate global communication between incident response and security teams to assist in promoting prompt and effective resolution to computer security incidents.

For more information on FIRST, visit http://www.first.org.

FIRST is the premier organization and recognized global leader in incident response. Membership in FIRST enables incident response teams to more effectively respond to security incidents reactively as well as proactively.

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The Forum of Incident Response and Security Teams is an international not-for-profit organization bringing together a variety of security and incident response teams. Today, FIRST is comprised of over 400 member teams from over 80 countries representing government agencies, academia, commercial enterprises, and financial corporations. FIRST is a front-line enabler in the global response community, providing access to best practices, tools, and trusted communication with its member teams. FIRST seeks to:

- Facilitate better communication and information sharing among teams and the global community at large
- Foster cooperation and coordination in incident prevention
- Provide prompt rapid reaction to incidents

Writing about FIRST, the leading British commentator David Lacey declared in Computer Weekly:

“Of all the security clubs and associations, the one that impresses me most is FIRST. Why? Because it’s focused, born out of real business requirements and it’s highly selective, i.e. you have to be sponsored and audited to gain membership. FIRST is not a club that exists to make an income for its organizers. It’s an international community that serves a real purpose: helping business requirements and it’s highly selective, i.e. you have to be sponsored and audited to gain membership. FIRST is not a club that exists to make an income for its organizers. It’s an international community that serves a real purpose: helping to improve global computer security. This five-day event includes:

- Technical staff who determine security product requirements and implement solutions
- Policy and decision makers with overall security responsibility
- Law enforcement staff who are involved in investigating cyber crimes
- Legal counsel who work with policy and decision-makers in establishing security policies
- Senior managers directly charged with protecting their corporate infrastructure
- Government managers and senior executives who are responsible for protecting systems and critical infrastructures

Past participants have included information security practitioners, executive management, network architects, system and network administrators, software and hardware vendors, security solutions providers, ISPs, law enforcement, and general computer and network security personnel.

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WHO CAN ATTEND?

You do not need to be a member of FIRST to attend the Annual Conference. Any individual with interest, involvement or responsibility in the field of incident response and computer security should attend. This conference will also be of interest to:

- Incident Response, Management and Technical Tracks
- Featured invited and keynote presentations
- Special Interest Groups (SIGs) & Birds of a Feather (BoFs)
- Lightning Talks
- Vendor Showcase and Exhibits
- Networking Opportunities

In addition to sharing FIRST’s mission, attending the Annual Conference will enable you to:

- Earn up to 25 continuing professional education credits
- Learn the latest security strategies in incident management
- Increase your knowledge and technical insight about security problems and their solutions
- Keep up-to-date with the latest incident response and prevention techniques
- Gain insight on analyzing network vulnerabilities
- Hear how the industry experts manage their security issues
- Interact and network with colleagues from around the world to exchange ideas and advice on incident management best practices

CONFERENCE BENEFITS

The 31st Annual FIRST Conference will be held at the:

Edinburgh has been the capital city of Scotland since the 15th century. Located on the southern shore, it is the home of the Scottish Government, the Scottish Parliament, and Supreme courts of Scotland. It is the second largest financial center and tourist destination in the United Kingdom, behind London.

The city is known for its heritage, culture, and festivals. Historic sites include Edinburgh Castle, the Palace of Holyroodhouse, and the New Town, built in the 18th century. Edinburgh’s Old Town and New Town are listed together as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Locals are known to be very approachable and some of the friendliest of the United Kingdom. Have a pint at a local pub, take in the sights, listen to bagpipers playing in New Town and Old, and enjoy what this charming city has to offer.

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Edinburgh International Conference Centre
The Exchange
150 Morrison Street
Edinburgh EH3 8EE
United Kingdom

While FIRST will not have a room block for the 2019 conference, we have partnered with several hotels to offer our delegates discounted rates. Reservations and prices are subject to availability and the responsibility of the attendee. Recommended options will be available at the conference website under Hotel tab.