FIRST 2020: WHERE DEFENDERS SHARE
MONTREAL, QC | CANADA
JUNE 21-26, 2020

CALL FOR SPEAKERS
The FIRST Conference Program Chair and 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, and computer forensics.

Accepted speakers will receive a complimentary registration to attend the annual conference. Only one complimentary registration is awarded per presentation.

For more information about how you can be a part of the 2020 conference program, email first-2020chair@first.org.

Submissions will be collected online in Autumn 2019.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
FIRST sponsorships provide a unique opportunity to show your organization’s commitment to best practice security. Now more than ever, it is important for organizations to support global collaboration and cooperation in the information security, risk management, and privacy sectors.

With representatives from over 60 nations, across all industries, the conference is an invaluable exchange of information and access to a wealth of opportunity within a highly influential community.

For more information on sponsorship please contact us at first-2020@first.org.

JOIN THE GLOBAL NETWORK
This conference promises to be an exceptional experience! Don’t miss your opportunity to take advantage of early bird registration rates and hotel discounts - visit the conference website for important dates and links.


For inquiries: first-2020@first.org

BECOME A TRUSTED CONNECTION
Computer security incidents do not respect geographical or administrative boundaries. FIRST is structured to facilitate global communication between incident response and security teams in order to promote prompt and effective resolution.

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

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 450 member teams from over 60 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 amongst teams and the global community
• 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 Government, Industry and Academia to respond quickly and effectively to new security threats. So I have no hesitation in recommending that you book a space in your busy diary to attend their Annual Conference.”

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 within the incident response and computer security fields is welcome to attend. This conference will also be of interest to:

• 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 as well as general computer and network security personnel.

CONFERENCE BENEFITS

The Annual FIRST Conference promotes worldwide coordination and cooperation among Computer Security Incident Response Teams (CSIRTs). The conference provides a forum for sharing goals, ideas, and information on how to improve global computer security. This five-day event includes:

• Incident Response, Management and Technical Tracks
• Featured 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

HOST CITY & VENUE

Montréal is a striking union of European charm and North American attitude. With more than 120 distinct ethnic communities represented and a population of more than 3.6 million, it is considered North America’s most popular city to host international events.

A world leader in such industries as aeronautics, information technology, and biotechnology, the city has also made significant innovations in medicine, multimedia, the arts and urban planning. Its avant-garde spirit has not gone unnoticed: in 2006, Montréal was named a UNESCO City of Design.

The 32nd Annual FIRST Conference will be held at the:

Fairmont The Queen Elizabeth Hotel
900 René-Lévesque Blvd W
Montréal, QC H3B 4A5, Canada

A block of sleeping rooms have been reserved at the at the following discounted rate:

Fairmont Standard Single & Double - $309.00 CDN
Fairmont View Single & Double - $309.00 CDN

In-room wifi included in rate. The above rates are quoted per room, per night, and exclusive of service and tax. Kindly note that breakfast will be provided as part of the conference registration fee (separate from hotel).

Discounted rates may be accessible up to three days pre and post of the official conference dates and are based on a first-come, first-served availability.

Reservations available online starting January 2020.