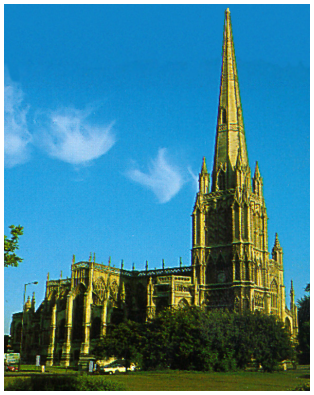
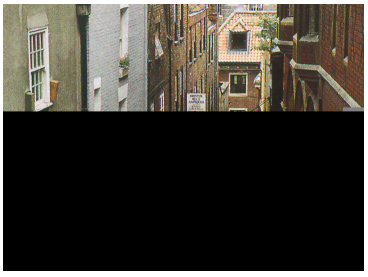
The annual FIRST Conference and workshop is the only event of its kind. It focuses on the field of computer security incident handling and response. In recognition of the global spread of computer networks and the common problems faced by computer owners the conference is held in different parts of the world. Past conferences have been located in Santa Clara (California, U.S.), Karlsruhe (Germany) and Boston (Massachusetts, U.S.). The presentations are international in scope and include the latest in incident response and prevention, vulnerability analysis, and computer security. Additionally, these events serve as the foundation for the improvement of computer security world-wide via the sharing of goals, ideas, and information.



Who should attend? Any person who is responsible for the co-ordination of computer security incidents will benefit from attendance at this workshop. This may include both members and non-members of FIRST, law enforcement, consultants, contractors, vendors, and incident response teams.

Information about the conference is available at the FIRST WWW server

http://www.first.org/workshops/1997/



The 9th Annual FIRST conference will be at the Marriott Hotel in Bristol, England. Bristol is a city of 380,000 people in the West of England about 170km (105 miles) from London. Fast and frequent trains serve Bristol giving a journey time from London's Heathrow airport of 2¾hours. English weather is notoriously fickle; in late June the temperature is usually a comfortable 24°C (75°F) but spells as varied as 32°C (90°F) or 19°C (66°F) can occur.