



## New Cyber Security Conference Announced For 2024

## Open CSIRT Foundation and FIRST join forces to bring European cyber security experts together in Spain

**September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023** – The Open Cyber Security Conference (OCSC) 2024 will take place from February 26 to March 1, 2024, at the Auditorio Adán Martín Menis in Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Spain. A collaboration between the Open CSIRT Foundation, the Forum of Incident Response and Security Teams (FIRST) and Task Force Computer Security Incident Teams (TF-CSIRT), the event will celebrate 30 years of security incident management across Europe.

The first European cyber security teams were established from 1990, joining FIRST to connect to what was then mostly a North American community. It was in late 1993 that seven European CSIRTs recognized the need and benefits of more regionalized meetings to further develop new means of collaboration.

This conference comes at a critical time for organizations managing more complex global incidents. Cooperation is key to defending systems and this milestone event not only reflects on achievements of the past but will focus on the active strategies needed in the future of security incident management.

With many significant challenges ahead, this three-day event will boast a variety of presentations, case studies, and panel discussions, followed by two days of training sessions.

The OCSC 2024 will be a comprehensive platform for knowledge exchange, networking, and fostering new relationships, facilitating the development, cooperation, and coordination among cybersecurity professionals, to further enhance incident management capabilities worldwide.







The program committee, led by FIRST and TF-CSIRT, will call for speakers very soon, inviting industry experts to contribute their insights and expertise to the conference agenda. The program will be diverse and engaging, reflecting the latest trends, emerging technologies, and best practices in security incident management.

A final conference agenda will be announced in late 2023.

To ensure the success of OCSC 2024, the organizers are currently seeking conference partners to collaborate with the planning and execution of the event.

Klaus-Peter Kossakowski, Conference Chair from OpenCSIRT Foundation said: "We are thrilled to collaborate with FIRST and TF-CSIRT to organize the Open Cyber Security Conference 2024, from.

"This conference reflects and celebrates 30 years of security incident management in Europe as well as providing a vital platform to discuss the future of incident management. Furthermore, it will address the ever-evolving challenges facing our industry today.

"We are confident that the OCSC 2024 will foster meaningful connections, inspire innovation, and propel the global incident management community forward in its defense of the internet."

Chris Gibson, CEO, FIRST said: "This is a great opportunity for our network of cybersecurity and incident response experts to further collaborate and share best future practice with each other. We know working together is key – across organizations, countries and continents as we continue our pursuit to defend. We are excited to be working with the Open CSIRT Foundation and TF-CSIRT to deliver what is sure to be a interesting, lively conference for delegates."

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## **About Open CSIRT Foundation:**

The Open CSIRT Foundation (OCF) is an independent not-for-profit organization focused on enhancing incident management maturity globally. With a mission to improve cyber security incident management and related matters, OCF promotes cooperation,







development, and innovation within the cyber security community. By fostering collaboration, providing resources, and upholding ethical principles, OCF empowers individuals and organizations to effectively respond to cyber threats. OCF is the home for the cooperation within the TF-CSIRT and trusted Introducer as well as the stewardship organisation for SIM3 (Security Incident Management Maturity Model)

## **About FIRST Organization:**

FIRST (Forum of Incident Response and Security Teams) is a leading organization dedicated to uniting incident response and security teams worldwide. Since its establishment in 1990, FIRST has been at the forefront of addressing security-related attacks and incidents, offering a platform for collaboration, knowledge sharing, and best practices. With members from government, commercial, and academic sectors, FIRST plays a vital role in ensuring the security and resilience of critical systems and networks.

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