

#FiRSTCON22 update

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Worldwide platform for collaboration of Academic and Research security incident response teams

Primary target public:

- NREN & University CSIRTs
- Research & Education CSIRTs in general

Resources:

- SIG mailing list (57 subscribers)
- SIG page @FIRST Portal (members-only)
- SIG meetings (FIRST Zoom platform)



Meeting up with members...







The SIG in a timeline...

First

FIRST Academic Security SIG Meeting June 30 (10:15-12:15 UTC+1)

	2022	 01 virtual SIG meeting (April) 01 F2F SIG meeting & 01 F2F SIG Update @FIRSTCON 01 virtual meeting (September) 01 virtual SIG meeting (February) 01 virtual SIG Update @SIGUpdateWebinars 01 virtual SIG meetings (September)
	2021	
	2020	 01 virtual SIG meeting 01 virtual SIG Update @SIGUpdateWebinars
	2019	 01 F2F SIG meeting @FIRSTCON 01 F2F SIG Update @FIRSTCON
	2018	 02 virtual SIG meetings 01 F2F SIG meeting @FIRSTCON

SIG Working Groups



What would you like the SIG to focus on?

First

Cyber Threat Intelligence WG

Purpose: To identify good practice for using Cyber Threat Intelligence within academia.

We have had a few meetings. Identified that;

- Not many Universities are formally using Cyber Threat Intelligence
- That there might be space to identify how to use Cyber Threat Intelligence in an Academic environment.
- And signpost where people are currently looking for Cyber Threat Intelligence

For this, we set out a questionnaire, to the following groups;

• FIRST / REN-ISAC / UK Universities

Next steps

- More meetings!
- Analysis of the questionnaire





Incident Response Coordination WG

Purpose: Improve and facilitate cross-organisation incident response by collecting and disseminating relevant information (_not_ an operational WG).



Past activities

Established lines of communication, identified hot topics of interest, started work on those.

Work in progress

A curated contact meta-database with focus on academic players, show-and-tell intros of interesting tools.

Relevance

Incident response coordination was identified as a topic of interest in the Academic SIG.



Academic Security SIG – how to join?

https://www.first.org/global/sigs/academicsec

Participation Policy:

Open but generally restricted to academic CSIRTs (research & education, NREN, University, etc.)
 Non-academic CSIRTs at the discretion of the chairs.

Note: it is not a requirement to be a FIRST member to participate in the SIG though we do encourage it.

Request to Join Form: https://portal.first.org/g/Academic%20Security/join



Thank you!

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(Thanks to the WG coordinators Patrick Green and Tobias Dussa for providing the WG update slides).

