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#### **The Dutch Responsible Disclosure Policy**

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# Agenda

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- Responsible disclosure: what and why
- The Dutch RD guideline
- Intermediary results
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### Introduction

- Tarik El Yassem
- 8 years at GOVCERT.NL/ NCSC.NL
- Msc from University of Amsterdam
- Incident response
- Co-author of Responsible Disclosure guideline
- Implemented it at NCSC, helped others
- Senior security intel analyst at Rabobank Global SOC



# **Does this look familiar?**

- Incidents due to "leaks" in the media
- Inconvenient timing
- Researchers frustrated
- Organization panics
- Business as usual after damage control
  - . Org still not listening to security people
  - . Not learning
  - . No transparency
- Ignore, be vulnerable, fix, repeat



# Can't we all just get along?

- Be reachable
- Get time to fix
- Track and follow up
- Appreciate white-hat community
- Don't arrest clumsy teenagers
- Learn from vulnerabilities



# **RD: what and why**



# The Dutch RD guideline

- Looked at others (Microsoft, Facebook, Google)
- Looked at standards ISO
- Mostly focused on products
- Needed broader approach
- Had talks with:
  - . Hackers, researchers, journalists
  - . Banks, telco's, vital infrastructure
  - . Law enforcement, lawyers, policy makers
  - Political pressure

#### **Reporter experience**

#### Reporter = researcher, hacker, you, your mom



#### **Reporters: we bring gifts!**

26th annual FIRST conference



#### **Reporters: helpdesk**





#### **Reporters: security department?**





#### **Reporters: police**





#### **Reporters: credits**



#### **Reporters: want small reward**





#### **Reporters: protect customers**





#### **Reporters: they don't give**





#### **Reporters: no transparency**





#### **Organizations' experience**

Banks, telco's, governments, small businesses, vital infrastructure



#### **Organizations: NoOooOOoo!!!!**





# **Organizations: all criminals!**





#### **Organizations: blackmail!**





#### **Organizations: cost effective**





### **Organizations: limited sight**





#### **Organizations: no budget**





### **Organizations: no policy**





#### **Organizations: vague reports**

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# **Result: policy guidelines**



https://www.ncsc.nl/english/current-topics/news/responsible-disclosure-guideline.html



# **Result: guidelines; not law**

 But Ministry of Security and Justice and Public Prosecution Service support and advocate guidelines

Public Prosecution Service ultimately still has the discretion to prosecute, for instance when a reporter goes 'too far' despite of agreed terms, of course this also holds true for organisations

Policy is an agreement between organisation and reporter

Reporter and organisation agree to adhere to published policy, organisation promises not to file a complaint with the Police

• More detailed terms on disclosure, proposed fix and credits are made upon further contact



#### **Intermediate results**



### Intermediate results

- Almost zero incidents due to media
- Working with media to disclose
- Better relations with hacker community
- People getting jobs instead of arrests
- Organizations waking up
- More mature, aware and secure society



### **Reports to the NCSC**





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#### **Intermediate results**



Ethische hackers helpen KPN

T-shirts, tropys, halls of fame, money, diners, tickets to or presenting at conferences, site visits, etc



- Responsible Disclosure policy since January 2013
- Lots of quality disclosures
- Website vulnerabilities
- Internet Explorer zero day
- Also false-positives from scanning tools
- Fixed quickly but organizations not looking beyond

Worth wile and useful



#### The Bug Bounty List

#### Welcome to Bugcrowd's community powered list of bug bounty programs

Bugcrowd also manages private Bug Bounties for companies who aren't on this list. The details of these bounties are only available to Bugcrowd Ninja's via our Tester portal. Join the Ninjas or find out more information about private bounties.

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#### **Products and Services**

If you notice something missing, or spot a bounty program which has ceased please tweet to us or email us. We'll update ASAP and credit you for your help!

Bugcrowd - https://portal.bugcrowd.com/user/sign\_up

National Cyber Security Center (Netherlands)

Schuberg Philis





#### **Creating policies**

- Involve hackers & researchers
- Get backup from politicians
- Get backup from public prosecutors
- Develop your own policy



#### **Implementing policies**

- Find a boardroom sponsor
- Discuss responsibilities
- Think about credits and rewards
- Develop a process
- Assign a coordinator
- Learn from disclosures and share



### The road ahead

- Evaluation in early 2015 by NCSC
- Revised edition
- International organizations
- We hope others will follow



### Conclusion

- Responsible disclosure works!
- Very useful for organizations
- The Netherlands is, who's with us?



#### **Questions?**

More questions?

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#### **Thanks**



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#### Thanks Rabobank, NCSC.NL and you!







