

# The Forum of Incident Response and Security Teams (FIRST)



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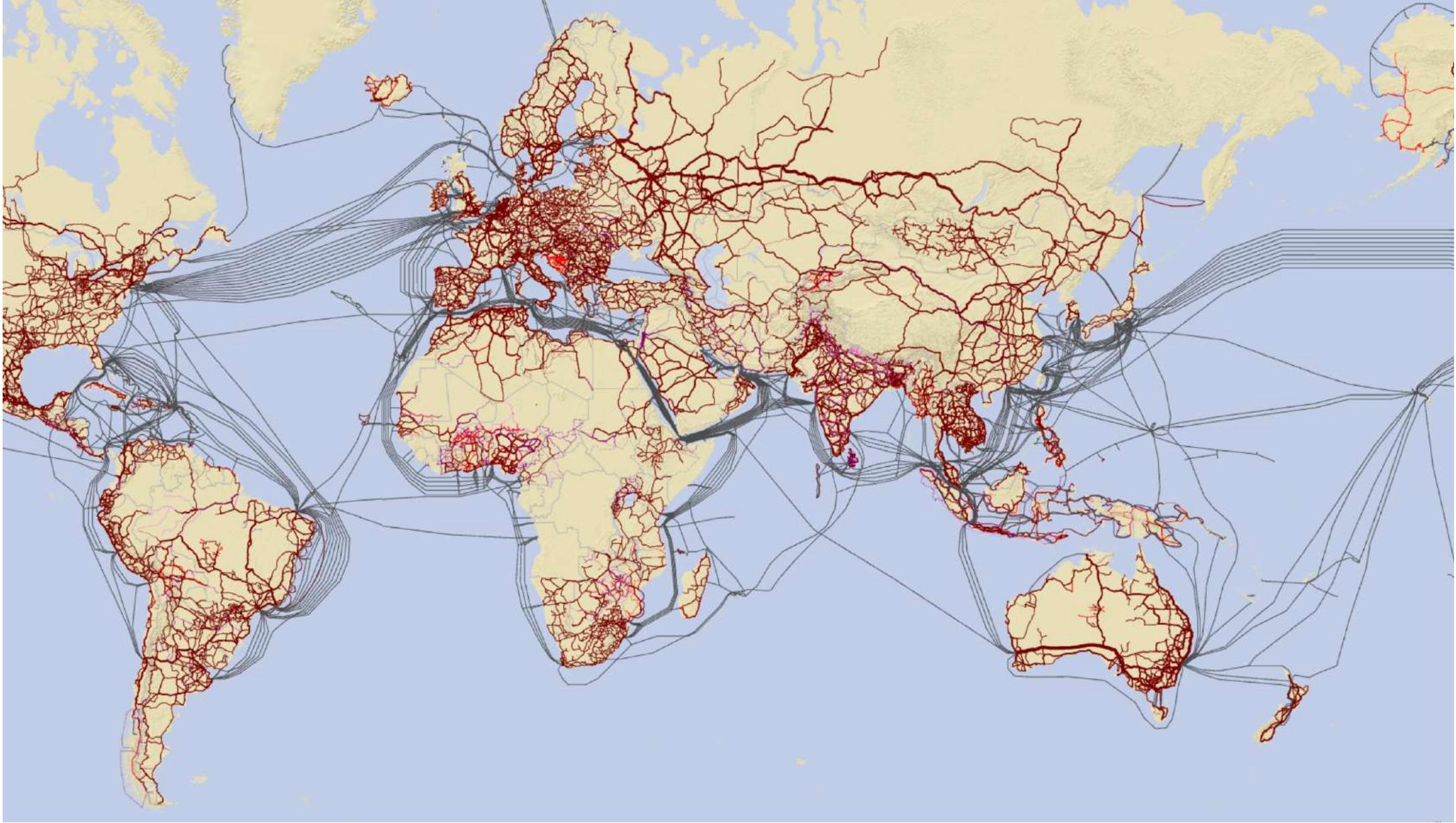
# Agenda



- What we want
- Introduction to FIRST
- Overview of projects and initiatives
- FIRST in 2020
- Questions and Answers







**State of Cyberspace**



**Access to knowledge**

**Collaboration**

**Prosperity**

# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

# Threats



**Criminals**

**States**

**Disinformation**

**Hate**

**Surveillance**

**Remedies**



**Norms**

**Education**

**Incident Response**

## Norms

### **GGE 2015**

(k) States should not conduct or knowingly support activity to harm the information systems of the authorized **emergency response teams** (sometimes known as computer emergency response teams or cybersecurity incident response teams) of another State. A State should not use authorized emergency response teams to engage in malicious international activity.

# Incidents are global

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**Diginotar:** National Crisis in NL, Discovered by Iranian User, Reported by Germany, dependance on US, Victims in Iran

# Trust inhibitors



- **Hidden Agendas**
- **Placing the CERT in the wrong spot**
- **Sanctions**

# Trust inhibitors: Wrong spot



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# Trust inhibitors: Sanctions

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# Who are we?



- Association of Incident Response and Security Teams
- Founded in 1989
- We enable incident responders
  - To **engage with their peers**
  - To have a **shared understanding** of security problems
  - By developing **technologies and standards**
  - By foster an **environment conducive to their work**

# FIRST's Mission



**Global Coordination:** In an emergency you can always find the teams you need to support you in our global community.



**Global Language:** Incident responders around the world speak the same language and understand each other's intents and methods.

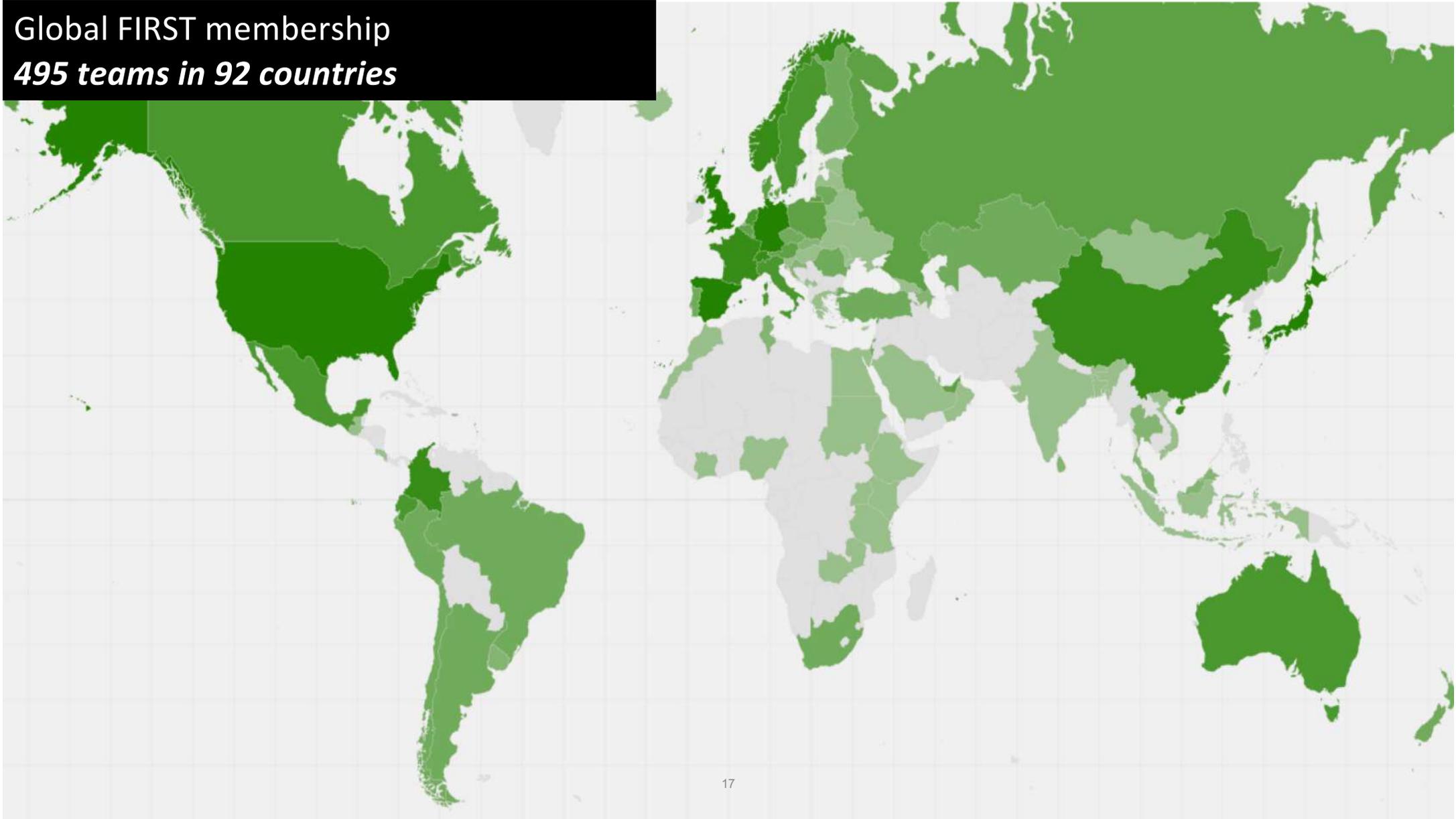


**Automation:** Let machines do the boring calculations, so humans can focus on the hard questions.

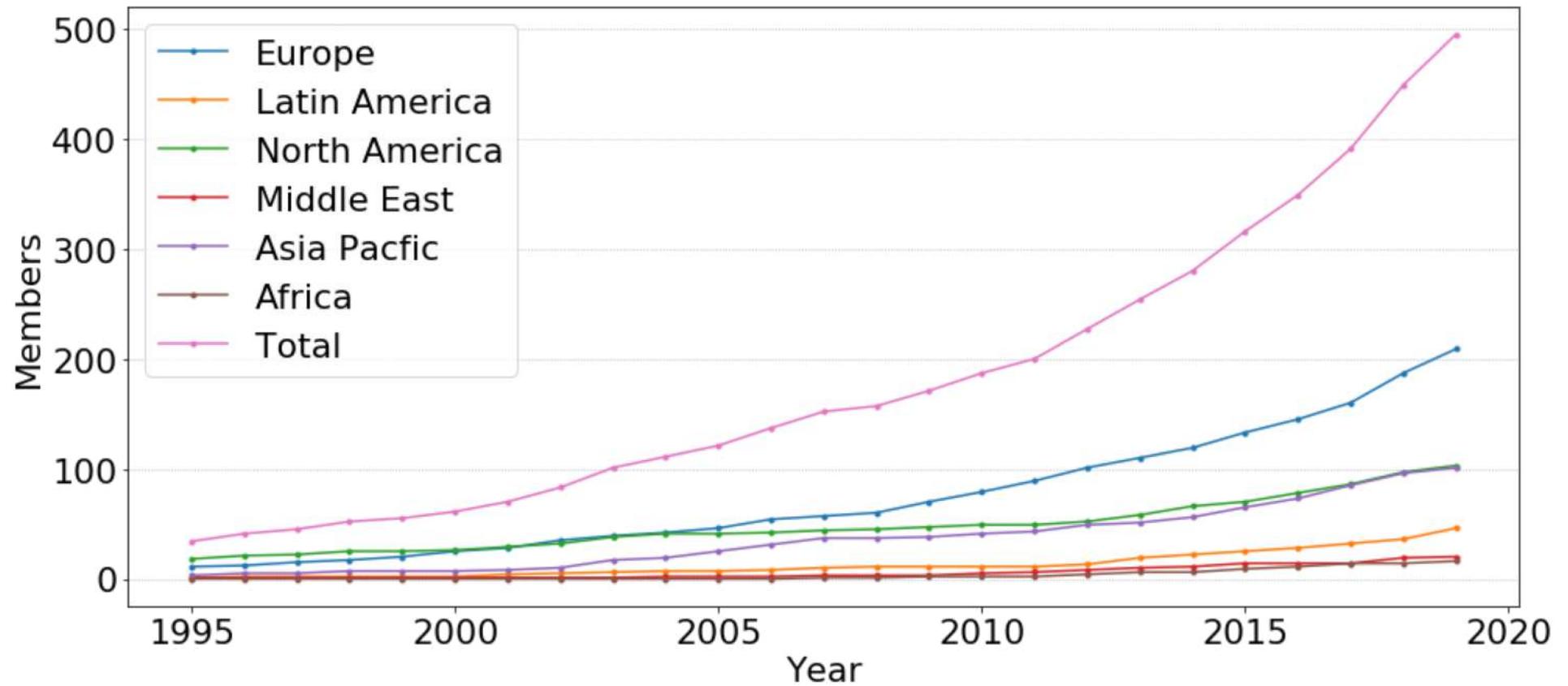


**Policy and Governance:** Make sure others understand what we do, and enable us rather than limit us.

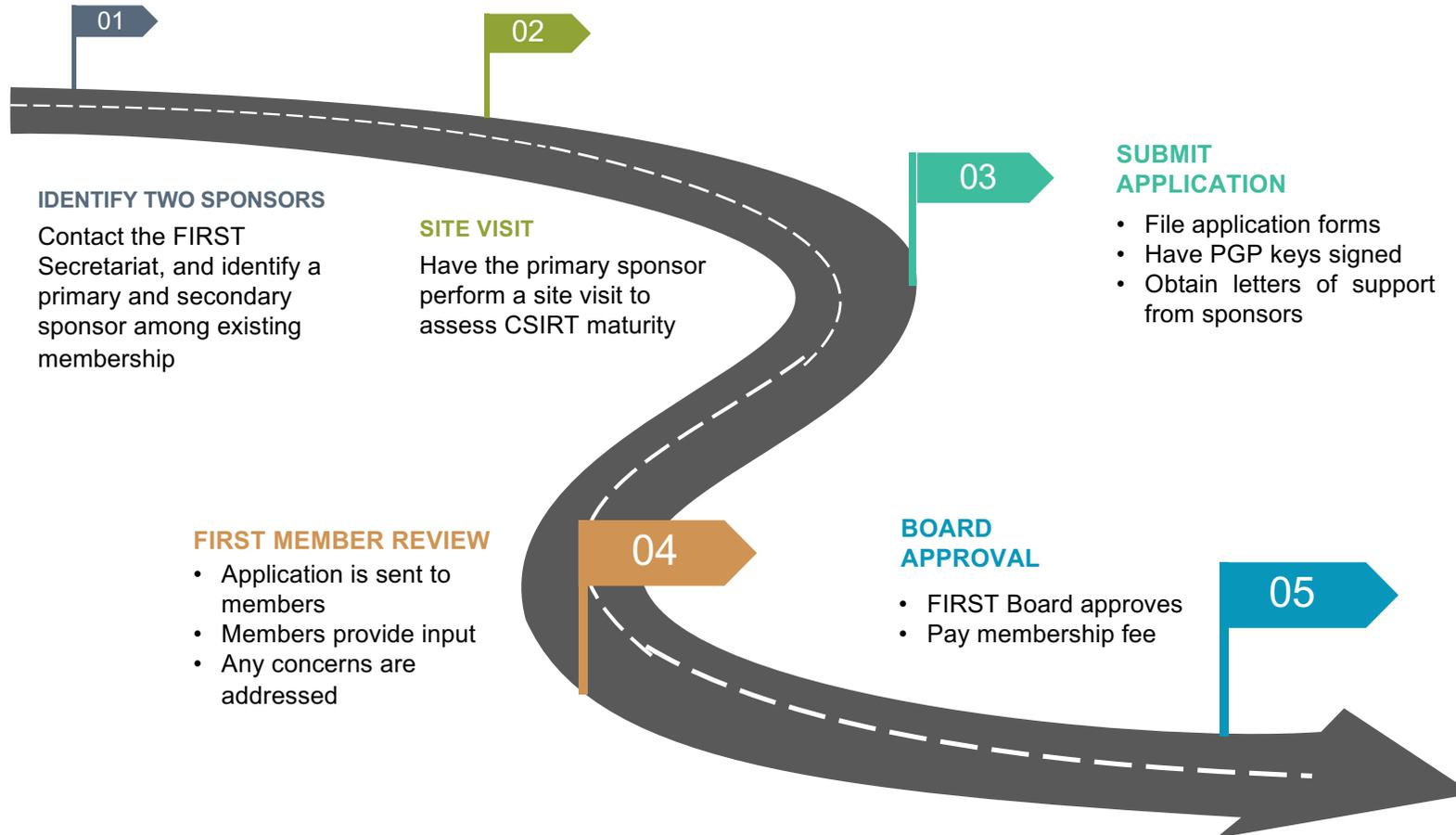
Global FIRST membership  
*495 teams in 92 countries*



# Membership



# Membership application process



# Fellowship Program



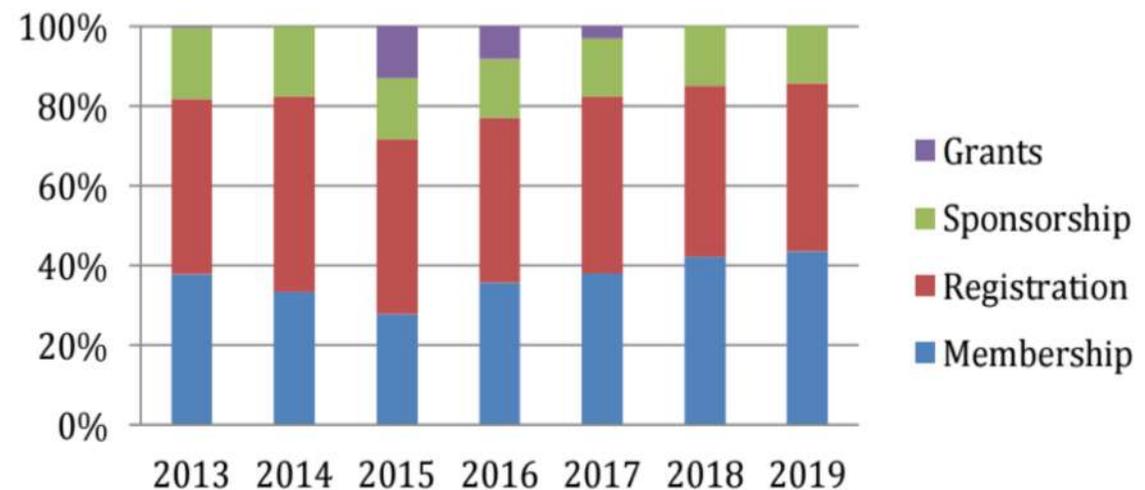
- **FIRST funds participation** for up to four new teams each year
- Open to CSIRTs with some **level of national responsibility**



# FIRST as an organisation



- Lead by a 10-person **Board of Directors**, elected by Members
- No headquarters, but **secretariat** in Chicago
- **501c3 non-profit** incorporated in the United States
- Funded primarily through membership and conference fees

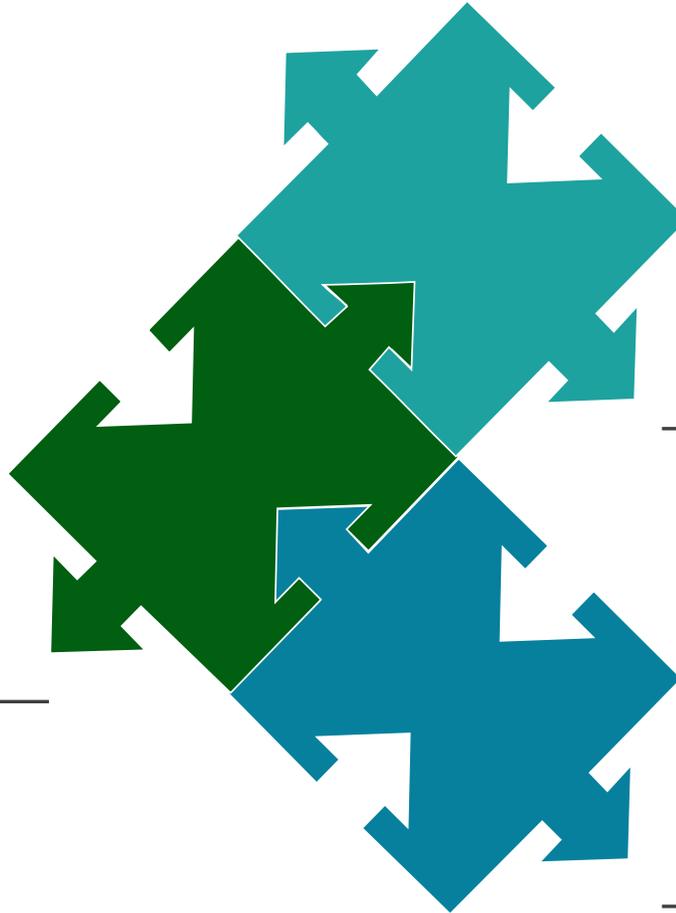


# Events



## Symposia

- Four per year
- In each major region (Africa, Europe, Latin America, Asia)
- Hosted by FIRST and often a partner



## Conference

- Flagship event
- Once per year, travels between regions
- ~500-800 attendees



## Technical Colloquium

- Organized by individual members
- National or regional event
- Typically 10-15 events per year



# Global events August 2017-2018



- FIRST Events**
-  Annual Conference
  -  Symposia
  -  TCs
  -  Training Courses
  -  Outreach

# Training and Education



- FIRST maintains a **CSIRT and PSIRT Services Framework**
  - Details all services typically offered by CSIRT
  - Offers a roadmap and guide for CSIRT as they expand capability
- FIRST **develops training materials** for individual services
  - CSIRT Fundamentals, Incident Coordination, Information Sources
  - All materials are Creative Commons licensed and available for free
- FIRST **delivers training** with partners and at events
  - Roster of trainer-practitioners

# Special Interest Groups



- Convene members around topics of common interest
- Often have a formal charter, timeline and deliverables
- Types of SIGs:
  - **Working groups:** Big Data, Ethics, Red Team
  - **Standards groups:** CVSS, IEP, TLP, Passive DNS exchange
  - **Discussion groups:** Vendors, Metrics, Industrial Control Systems
  - **Bird of a Feather session:** legal issues, specific temporary topics

# Standards



## Common Vulnerability Scoring System

- Scoring system for software vulnerabilities
- Allows integration of environmental factors
- Interactive training

## Traffic Light Protocol

- Allows data senders to encode how information may be distributed
- Focused on human sharing, simple to use

## TLP

## IEP

## Information Exchange Protocol

- More fine grained specification of **Handling, Action, Sharing** and **Licensing** policies
- Focused on machine sharing (JSON)

## Passive DNS

- Enable easier sharing of passive DNS information
- Standard contributed to the IETF

## Passive DNS

# Technical resources



Membership  
database

A FIRST member database with contact information for incident responders at other members. **Including PGP keys.**

FIRST Incident  
Response  
Team API

Poll information on other members using a **public API.**

Malware  
Information Sharing  
Platform

Share machine-parseable incident descriptions with members using the **MISP platform.**

Mailing lists  
and IRC

**Immediate communications channels** with other FIRST members.

# Internet Governance and Policy



- Be a **trusted security expert** to the policy community
- FIRST regularly participates in policy forums, such as the Internet Governance Forum, Global Conference on Cyberspace to educate policy makers on incident response
- Lead experts to the **IGF Best Practices Forum on Cybersecurity**
- Help **develop technology expertise** and capability

# Partners



Partners share our vision of a strong incident response community



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for more people





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# FIRST Annual Conference 2020

# Program this morning



Time	Talk	Presenter
9:00	Welcome	Serge Droz
9:30	Remediation Ballet: Choreographing your team to victory	Simon Freiberg and Jason Solomon (Google)
10:30	Integrating red teaming and CSIRT	Jordi Aguilà (e-la Caixa CSIRT, ES)
11:00	Coffee break	
11:15	A Field Guide to communicating a security incident	Izzi Lithgow (CERT NZ)
12:00	DFIR Acquisition presentation	Sam Bonanno (ACSC)
12:30	Lunch	

# Program this afternoon



Time	Talk	Presenter
13:45	The Policy Implications of Incident Response	Maarten Van Horenbeeck (Zendesk), Serge Droz (OS-CERT)
14:45	IR using Jupyter Notebooks	Serge Droz (OS-CERT)
15:15	Coffee Break	
15:30	Measuring CSIRT Maturity using SIM3	Maarten Van Horenbeeck (Zendesk)
16:00	Responding to Incidents in Industrial Environments	Hinne Hetteema (Port of Auckland, NZ)
17:00	Closing remarks	Serge Droz (OS-CERT)
19:00	Networking reception - Sandy Court @ Westin Denarau Fiji Resort	

# And our training days



## Wednesday, November 6th 2019

Breach workshop 1: Cyber Extortion  
Adli Abdul Wahid (APCERT)  
Frangipani (Ballroom B)

Breach workshop 2: Critical Infrastructure Attack  
Serge Droz (OS-CERT)  
Gardenia (Ballroom C)

Malware Analysis When You're in A Hurry  
Hinne Hetteema (Port of Auckland)  
Frangipani (Ballroom B)

CSIRT Advanced Training - Part 1  
Serge Droz (OS-CERT)  
Adli Wahid (APNIC)  
Gardenia (Ballroom C)

## Thursday, November 7th 2019

CSIRT Basic Training - Part 1  
Maarten Van Horenbeeck (Zendesk)  
Frangipani (Ballroom B)

CSIRT Advanced Training - Part 2  
Serge Droz (OS-CERT)  
Adli Wahid (APNIC)  
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CSIRT Basic Training - Part 1  
Maarten Van Horenbeeck (Zendesk)  
Frangipani (Ballroom B)

CSIRT Advanced Training - Part 3  
Serge Droz (OS-CERT)  
Adli Wahid (APNIC)  
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# Reception

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Coco  
Palms  
7-9pm

**This could be the beginning ...**

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# Questions?

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