FIRST is an international confederation of trusted computer incident response teams who cooperatively handle computer security incidents and promote incident prevention programs.

27th ANNUAL FIRST CONFERENCE BERLIN

14-19 JUNE 2015

Unified Security: Improving the Future

As a community of incident response and security teams, we are continually bombarded by events that keep us focused on the immediate needs of our constituency and not their future needs. We should be enabling business, not delaying it. We should be a discriminator in brand selection, not just a cost center. We know the landscape. We have the responsibility of improving security for our constituents.

When we gather in Berlin for the annual conference, I ask that we focus our collective efforts on improving the future of security together. Let's share our ideas, our projects and our successes. Let's build on those successes and find new ways to transform the relationship with our constituents to that of an enabler, moving from the reactive to the proactive.

Join us for the 27th Annual FIRST Conference, 14-19 June 2015 in the great city of Berlin—a city rich in history and no stranger to breaking down walls--as we take strides towards breaking down our own barriers and unifying security for our global constituency.

Robert Floodeen
2015 Program Chair
FIRST.Org, Inc.

CALL FOR SPEAKERS
The FIRST Conference Program Committee issues a Call for Speakers on network security for presentations, invited talks, keynote presentations and panel discussions. Those wishing to give a presentation must submit an abstract for review and consideration. Past topics have included: creating and managing CSIRTs, computer vulnerability, threat detection, computer forensics and case studies.

Accepted speakers receive a discounted registration fee upon acceptance. Discounts are based on the length and type of presentation.

For more information about how you can be a part of the 2015 program send email to first-2015chair@first.org. The deadline for submissions is December 20, 2014.

SPONSORSHIP
In an effort to attract registrants at an affordable fee, FIRST. Org, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation, solicits conference sponsorships at varying levels. FIRST seeks sponsoring organizations that support the mission of FIRST and are committed to improving computer security around the world. Sponsors may receive discounted registration fees as well as exclusive sponsor-only opportunities.

For more information on sponsorship please contact us at first-2015@first.org.

JOIN THE GLOBAL NETWORK
This conference promises to be an exceptional experience! This is one event you don't want to miss: take advantage of Early Bird registration rates and hotel discounts - Register Today!

For more information about FIRST, visit http://www.first.org. For more information about the Annual FIRST Conference and to Register, visit http://www.first.org/conference/2015.

For inquires, please send email to first-2015@first.org.

BECOME A TRUSTED CONNECTION
Computer security incidents do not respect geographical or administrative boundaries in the global Internet. FIRST is designed to facilitate global communication between incident response and security teams to assist in promoting prompt and effective resolution to computer security incidents.

For more information on FIRST, visit http://www.first.org.

FIRST is the premier organization and recognized global leader in incident response. Membership in FIRST enables incident response teams to more effectively respond to security incidents reactively as well as proactively.

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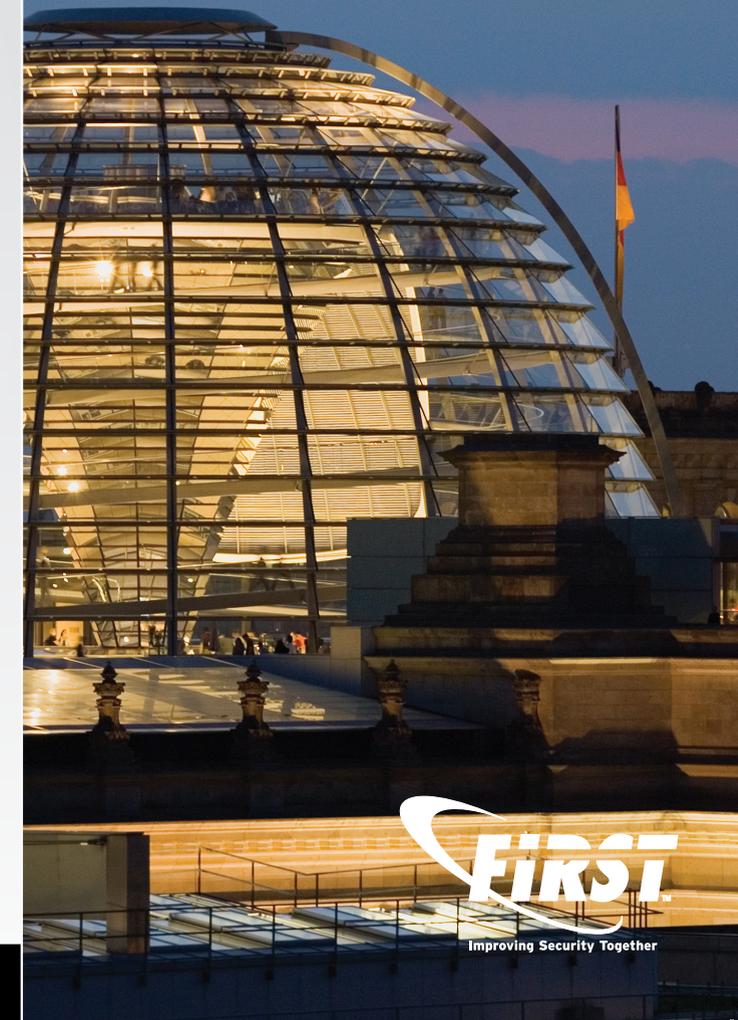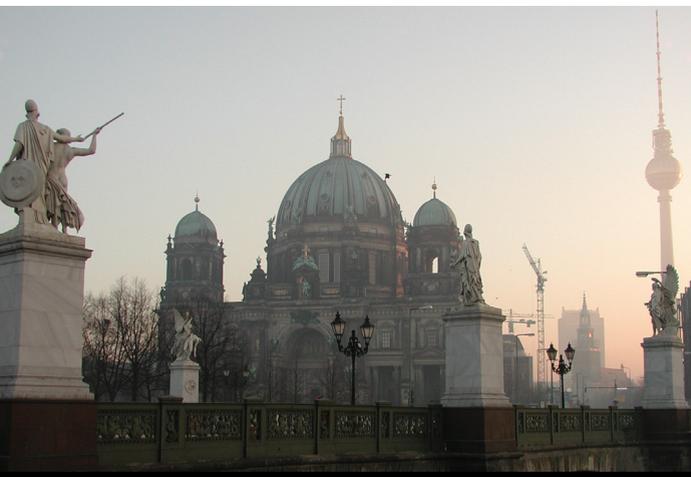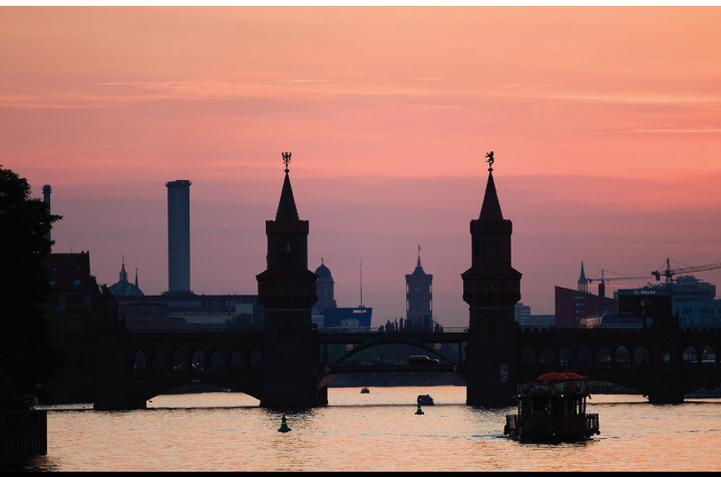
ABOUT FIRST.ORG

The Forum of Incident Response and Security Teams is an international not-for-profit organization bringing together a variety of security and incident response teams. Today, FIRST is comprised of **300** member teams from over 60 countries representing government agencies, academia, commercial enterprises, and financial corporations. FIRST is a front-line enabler in the global response community, providing access to best practices, tools, and trusted communication with its member teams. FIRST seeks to:

- Facilitate better communication and information sharing among teams and the global community at large
- Foster cooperation and coordination in incident prevention
- Provide prompt rapid reaction to incidents

Writing about FIRST, the leading British commentator David Lacey declared in Computer Weekly:

"Of all the security clubs and associations, the one that impresses me most is FIRST http://www.first.org, the Forum for Incident Response and Security Teams. Why? Because it's focused, born out of real business requirements and it's highly selective, i.e. you have to be sponsored and audited to gain membership. FIRST is not a club that exists to make an income for its organizers. It's an international community that serves a real purpose: helping Government, Industry and Academia to respond quickly and effectively to new security threats. So I have no hesitation in recommending that you book a space in your busy diary to attend their Annual Conference."

WHO CAN ATTEND?

You do not need to be a member of FIRST to attend the Annual Conference. Any individual with interest, involvement or responsibility in the field of incident response and computer security should attend. This conference will also be of interest to:

- Technical staff who determine security product requirements and implement solutions
- Policy and decision makers with overall security responsibility
- Law enforcement staff who are involved in investigating cyber crimes
- Legal counsel who work with policy and decision-makers in establishing security policies
- Senior managers directly charged with protecting their corporate infrastructure
- Government managers and senior executives who are responsible for protecting systems and critical infrastructures

Past participants have included IT managers, system and network administrators, software and hardware vendors, security solutions providers, ISPs, telecommunication providers and general computer and network security personnel.

CONFERENCE BENEFITS

The Annual FIRST Conference promotes worldwide coordination and cooperation among Computer Security Incident Response Teams (CSIRTs). The conference provides a forum for sharing goals, ideas and information on how to improve global computer security. This five-day event includes:

- Incident Response, Management and Technical Tracks
- Featured invited and keynote presentations
- Special Interest Groups (SIGs) & Birds of a Feather (BoFs)
- Lightning Talks
- Vendor Showcase and Exhibits
- Networking Opportunities

In addition to sharing FIRST's mission, attending the Annual Conference will enable you to:

- Earn up to 26 Continuing Professional Education Credits
- Learn the latest security strategies in incident management
- Increase your knowledge and technical insight about security problems and their solutions
- Keep up-to-date with the latest incident response and prevention techniques
- Gain insight on analyzing network vulnerabilities
- Hear how the industry experts manage their security issues
- Interact and network with colleagues from around the world to exchange ideas and advice on incident management best practices

HOST CITY & VENUE

Berlin offers visitors an incredible array of sights that reflect its long history, dramatic events of the 20th century, and its burgeoning place in the modern world. As the largest city in Germany, over 3.4 million people call it home. A veritable global city, 147 foreign embassies can be found there. It is a city rich in culture, science, business, history and the arts.

A block of rooms at the InterContinental Berlin is being held for conference attendees at a discount rate of:

Early Bird Group Rate - offer valid through 1 April 2015
Superior Room   169,00 € Single Only

Group Rates - after 1 April 2015
Superior Room   180,00 € (205,00 € double)
Deluxe Room   214,00 € (205,00 € double)
Junior Suite   245,00 € (270,00 € double)
Superior Club   270,00 € (295,00 € double)

Breakfast buffet and in-room wifi is included in the room rate. The above rates are quoted per room, per night and inclusive of service and VAT.

Pre and post nights can be reserved at the group rate based on availability. To receive the Early Bird discount rate, you must make your reservation by 1 April 2015. To receive the standard discount rate, you must make your reservation by 15 May 2015. Reservation requests received after 14 May 2015 will be accepted on a space and rate availability basis.

All reservations must be made using the direct hotel link from the conference website. Online reservations will be made available in January 2015. Visit the website: http://www.first.org/conference/2015