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Control System Cyber-Security Workshop

A Summary of Yesterday's Meeting

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About Security...

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Security is **as good as the weakest link:**

- ▶ **Attacker** chooses the time, place, method
- ▶ **Defender** needs to protect against all possible attacks (currently known, and those yet to be discovered)



Security is a **system property** (not a feature)

Security is a **permanent process** (not a product)

Security is **difficult to achieve**, and only to 100%- ϵ

- ▶ **YOU** define ϵ as user, developer, system expert, admin, project manager



BTW: Security is **not** a synonym for safety





(R)Evolution of Control Systems

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Windows & Linux**

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Shared Accounts & Passwords



Standard Vulnerabilities

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Vulnerabilities are Proven Fact !

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Continuous load capability test

Achievements and findings



Force the Vendors on Board

Multi-casts on Ethernet
blocked controller

- **Manufacturers and vendors are part of the solution !**
- ▶ Security demands must be included into orders and call for tenders

"Procurement Language" document

- ▶ "... collective buying power to help ensure that security is integrated into SCADA systems."

Firmware improves...
... or does not?

However:

- ▶ This will increase the visible costs
- ▶ Who takes the responsibility ?
- ▶ Manufacturers not always prepared to handle such demands
- ▶ What if no vendor will/can deliver ?



Essential to convince the
manufactures with \$/€

<http://www.msisac.org/scada>

load

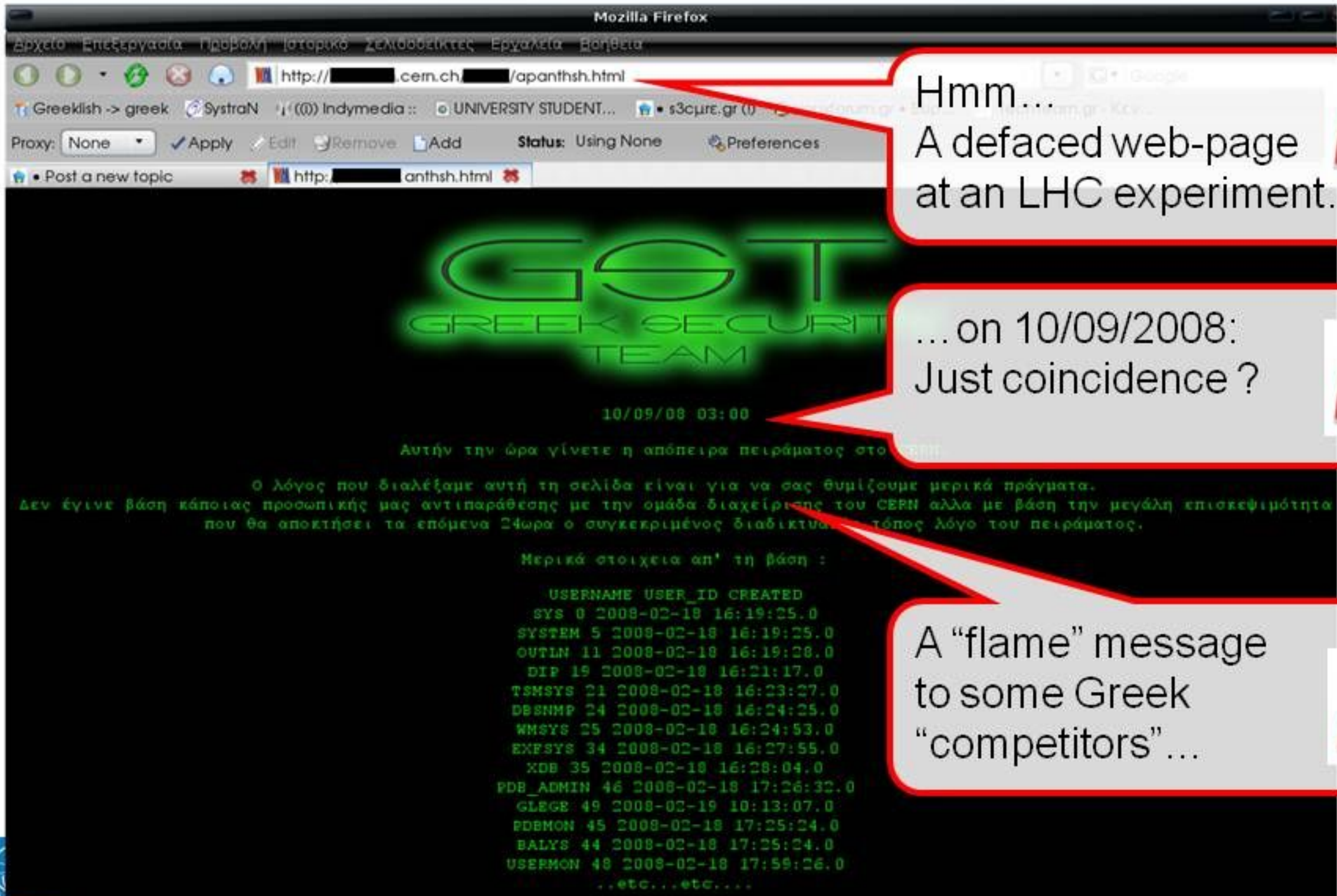
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Attacks are Fact, too !!!

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Hmm...
A defaced web-page
at an LHC experiment...



... on 10/09/2008:
Just coincidence ?



A "flame" message
to some Greek
"competitors" ...



Who owns the consequences ?

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How long does it take you to reinstall your system, if requested *right now* ?



Bottom-up vs. Top-down

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Lab Policy

Cyber Security Standards

Discussion Topics (2/5)

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How to obtain *sincere* commitment /resources/money ?

- ▶ Which approaches do work ? Top-down or bottom-up ?
- ▶ How to obtain management buy-in ? How did you /your team ?
- ▶ How to provoke a mind change of developers/experts/managers ?

How to balance/prioritize between:

Efficiency — Safety — Security

Operation/Production — Academic Freedom — Security

- ▶ What should be the ideal balance/priority ?
- ▶ Which changes might this imply to your lab ? Will this be accepted ?

Standards available,
but who applies them ?

External orders/laws:
Friend or Foe ?

How to get the
balance right ?

2. Remote Access/Control using MS Terminal Server and iFix iClient -2



Patch, Patch, Patch !!!

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Ensure prompt security updates:

- ▶ **Pass flexibility** and responsibility to the experts
- ▶ *They* decide *when* to install *what* on *which* control PC
- ▶ **Integrate resilience** to rebooting PCs
- ▶ NOT patching is NOT an option
- ▶ Harden systems (e.g. with firewall, AV)

However:

- ▶ **Under pressure** priorities are different
- ▶ Many **sensitive systems** which need proper maintenance schedule – rare now !
- ▶ Oscilloscopes might be patched, but **lack proper procedures** issued by the corresponding vendor...
- ▶ "Cry Wolf": more **downtime due to patching** than due to attacks...
- ▶ Lack of test & connection **procedures of 3rd party PCs**



Harden every device
-even oscilloscopes

Patch downtime
vs. attack downtime

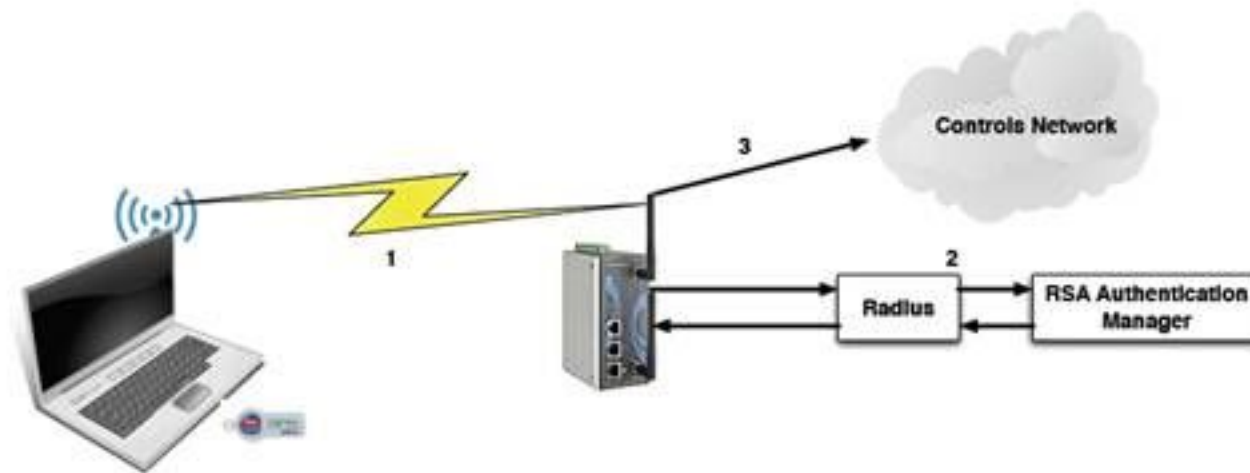
Network segregation
allows buying time!

Strengthen (Remote) Access !

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External Access Production Login & Badge Security Wireless Security

- Wireless available to controls engineering staff
- WPA2 protocol utilizing AES
- Two-factor authentication with RSA SecurID



Control the gateways...

...use multi-factor authentication

Bypassed by laptops on controls network ?



The (r)evolution of control systems...

Safety – Efficiency – Security

Make security priority #3 !!!



Mitigation: Defense-in-Depth

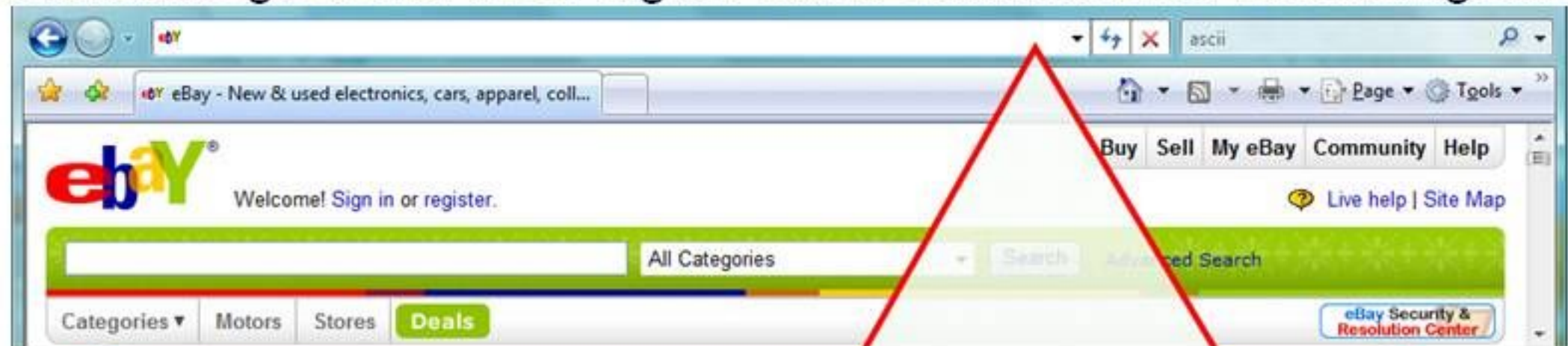


Thank You Very Much !

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I would like to thank all presenters and participants, making this workshop such a success.

► Special thanks go to the local organization committee for the arrangements !!



Quiz: Which link leads to www.ebay.com ?

- <http://www.ebay.com/cgi-bin/login?ds=1%204324@%31%33%37%2e%31%33%38%2e%31%33%37%2e%31%37%37/p?uh3f223d>
- <http://www.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?SignIn>
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