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# MODERN TRAINING FOR OPERATING CYBER-RESILIENT CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURES

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# The availability & resilience of our digital and globally interconnected infrastructures are no longer guaranteed



**Social media**



**eHealth**



**Industry  
4.0**



**Smart  
City**



**Connected  
Cars**



**Digital  
Transport**



**Smart  
grid**

## New attack scenarios Crime as a Service



## Increased complexity System of Systems (IIoT)



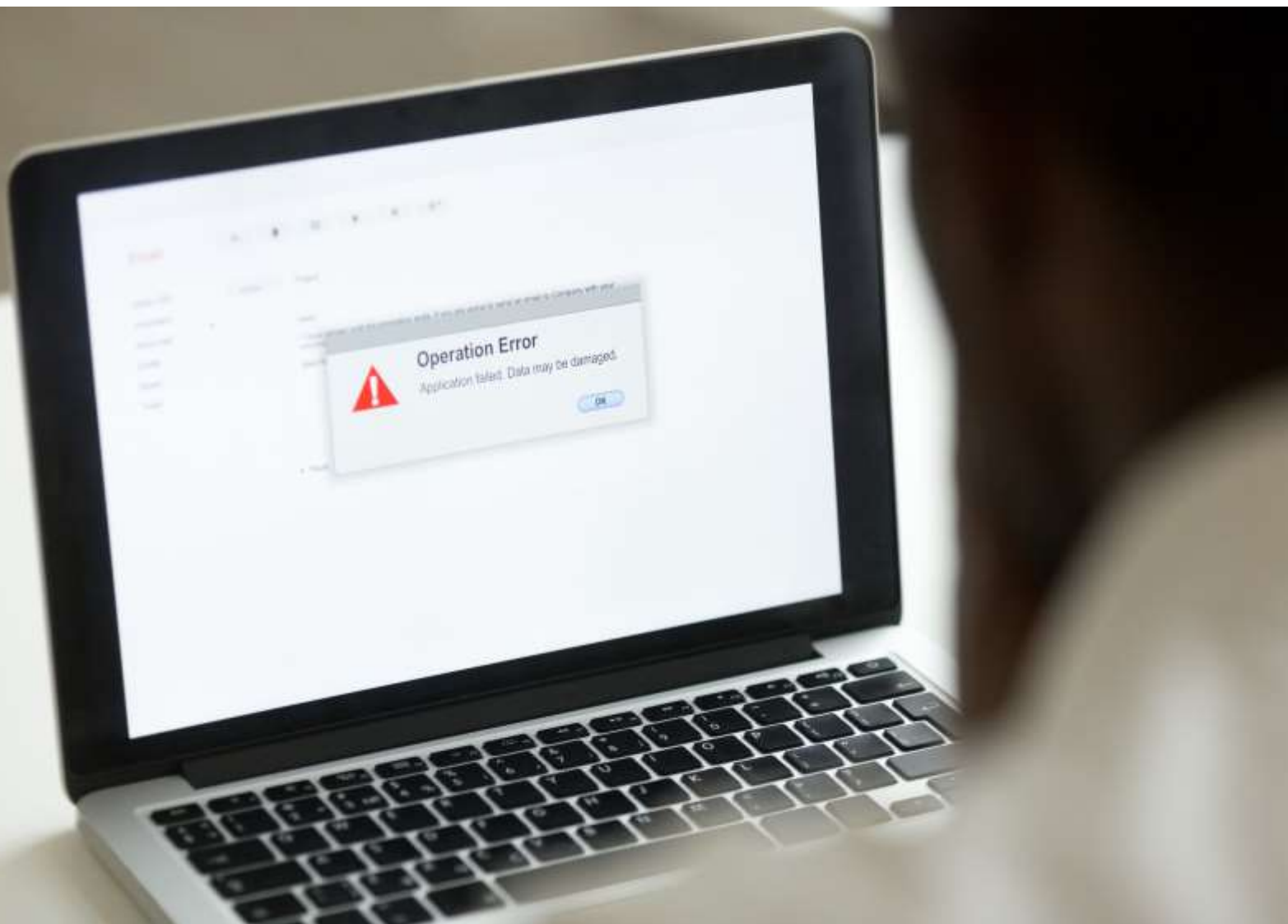
## Safety & Security IT/OT



## (Many) new regulations



# THREAT 1: EACH SOFTWARE HAS FLAWS - "ZERO DAY VULNERABILITIES"



- 200k+ known vulnerabilities
- 70 new vulnerabilities per day



**7 days to exploit  
vulnerabilities**



**176 days to close  
vulnerabilities – up to  
never...**

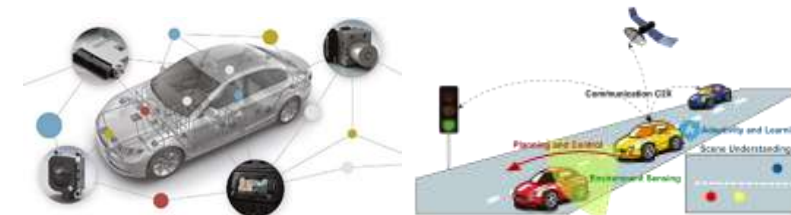
**Side Channels - secure implementation?**



# THREAT 2: "CYBER SECURITY IS NO LONGER MANUALLY CONTROLLABLE – SYSTEM OF SYSTEMS"



- Comprehensive digitalization & networking
- Cloud Shift
- Service Shift – from products to services
- IT & OT integration
- Users of digital systems have to deal with “complex systems”



- 100 Mio Lines of Code
- 150 control systems
- 4 bus systems
- Interaction with internet & apps



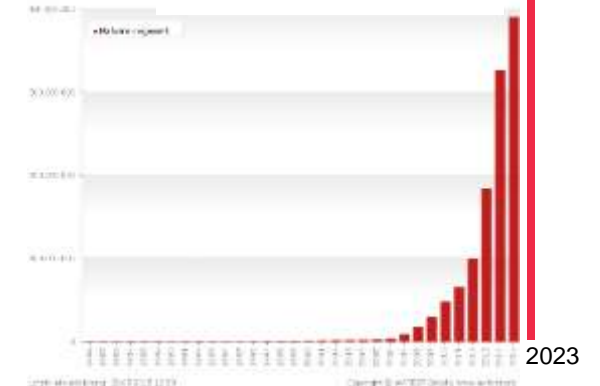
# THREAT 3: “INDUSTRIALISATION OF ATTACK METHODS”

## THE ATTACKER KNOWS YOUR VULNERABILITY BEFORE YOU KNOW IT



**1 billion malware types  
100-200k new types per  
day**

**Strong growth in  
just 12 years!**



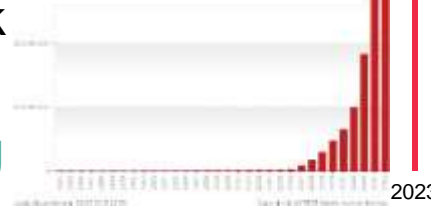
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# THE NEW CYBER SECURITY LANDSCAPE

## Increasing threat complexity

- Every SW System has **vulnerabilities**
- **Attack industry** – democratisation of attack tools & technologies
- The **threat scenario is constantly changing**

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12 years



## Sustainable Cyber resilient systems need ...

- new tools for system development: **safety & security by design**
- a permanent revision of the protection concepts - **continuous updating of the threat model** for vulnerabilities and threats – permanent **certification of systems**
- Identification of the unknown unknown attack – **AI based protection systems**
- **Capabilities** for infrastructure **operation and security management**
- **Incident information exchange & management** between organization as well as with public administration

## New regulations & laws



- EU NIS-2 Regulation
- EU Cyber Resilience Act
- EU Data Act
- EU Data Governance Act
- DORA for finance
- WP29 - UNECE 155 Regulation for automotive cyber security
- ...

# RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Positioning cybersecurity as a strategic issue → CEO priority
2. Increase awareness of threats in the enterprise & establish a tool supported risk management
3. Implement basic protection concepts: business processes, IT architecture, firewalls, virus protection, smart back-up systems (!), penetration tests, access protection, etc. → *"IT security hygiene"*
4. Apply security standards & certifications → product development & business processes
5. **Implement modern cyber security protection mechanisms**



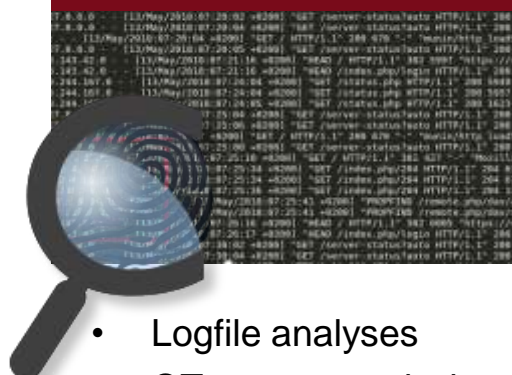
[www.threatget.com](http://www.threatget.com)

## Security by Design



[www.aecid.ait.ac.at](http://www.aecid.ait.ac.at)

## Artificial Intelligence attack/anomaly detection online monitoring



- Logfile analyses
- OT system analysis
- Run-time verification
- Highly secure cloud storage systems - Post Quantum safe
- Secure distributed market places



[www.fragmentix.com](http://www.fragmentix.com)

[www.catch.direct](http://www.catch.direct)

## Smart Encryption

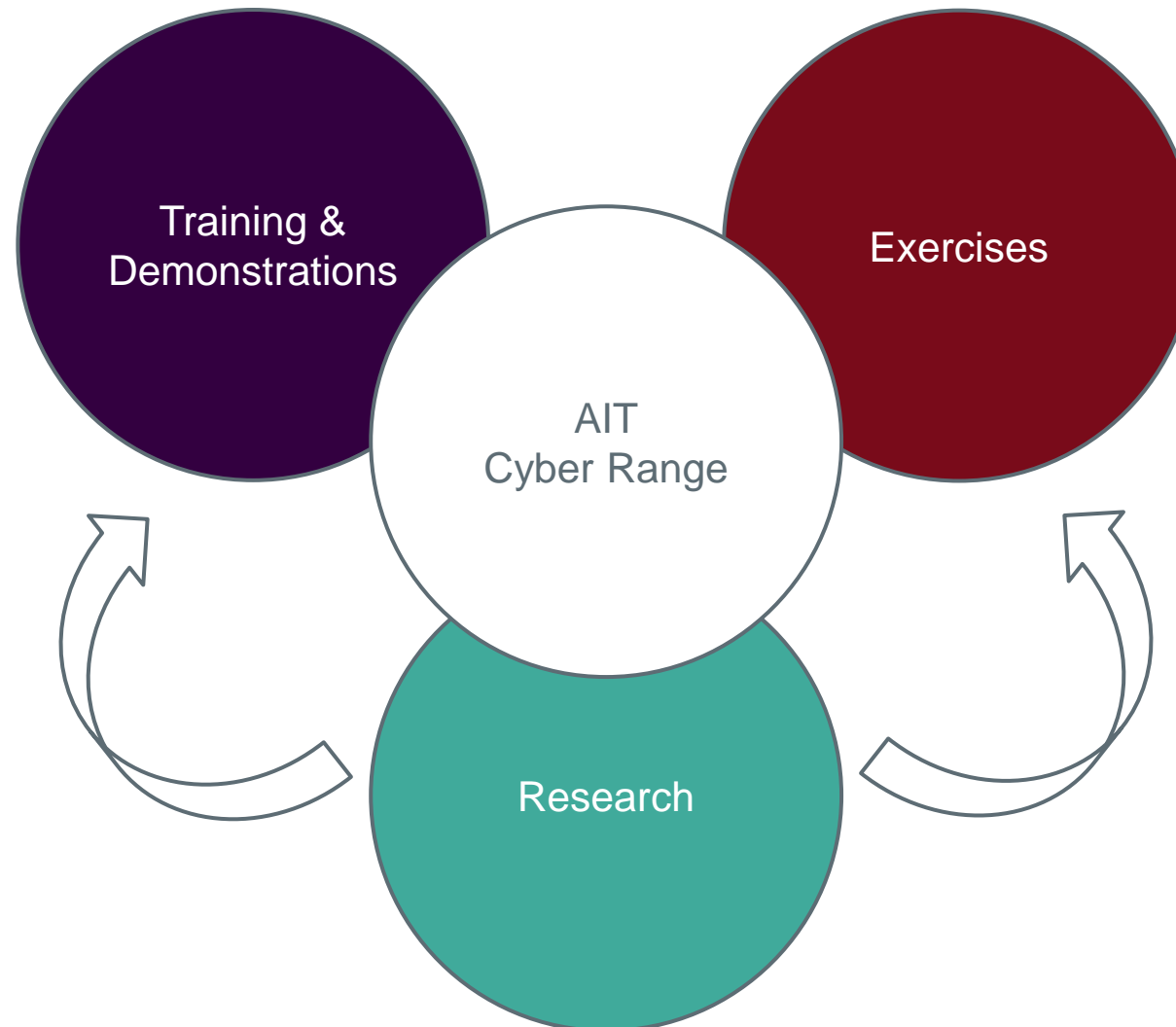


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## Education, training, qualification, practice



# AIT CYBER RANGE PROGRAMME PORTFOLIO





# AIT CYBER RANGE - DIGITAL TWIN FOR IT/OT CYBER SECURITY MANAGEMENT



## » Learners »

Education and training, and certification (skills) for various expert levels



## « Exercises »

ICT, Processes, Structures, Policies



Training of usage of dedicated tools: detection, analysis and countermeasures of cyber attacks



Training & certification: Skill, capability development for specific tasks; coping with scenarios – IT experts, crisis teams & management



Testing of protection concepts and processes  
- contingency plans & processes  
- communication channels

**Testbed for Cyber Physical Systems**

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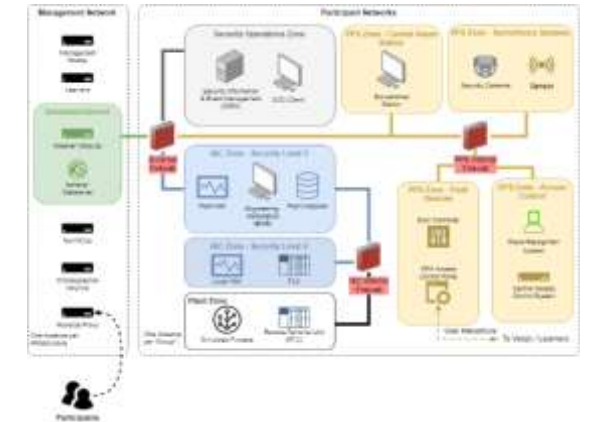
Web-based learning management system with Cyber Range access



- Training provides theoretical background & hands on experiences with virtualized and real equipment (ICS and PPS equipment) to support learning outcomes
- Simultaneous delivery of training in multiple languages
- Self-paced exercise control
- Virtual Desktop for hands-on experiences
- Templating of exercise workbooks - easy customization.
- Clicker-style quizzes for presentations
- Instructors can monitor progress in real-time
- All content delivered through a web browser

## « Multi-Stake-holder Exercises »

ICT, processes, structures, policies & guidelines



Recognising  
Cyber Security  
Attacks

Managing  
Computer  
Security Risks

Perform Risk-  
management

Identify IoC for  
critical  
Infrastructure  
Operators

Development of  
a resilient  
Computer  
Architecture

Incident  
management  
according to  
regulations and laws

Red/Blue/White  
Team scenarios



Enterprise IT



OT Operation  
Technology

5G

5G network  
infrastructure



Physical  
systems

**Training & Capacity Building  
Technology, Processes & People  
for designers, operators, policy makers & users**

# CYBER SECURITY CAPACITY BUILDING

Recognising the  
Significance of Sensitive  
Information

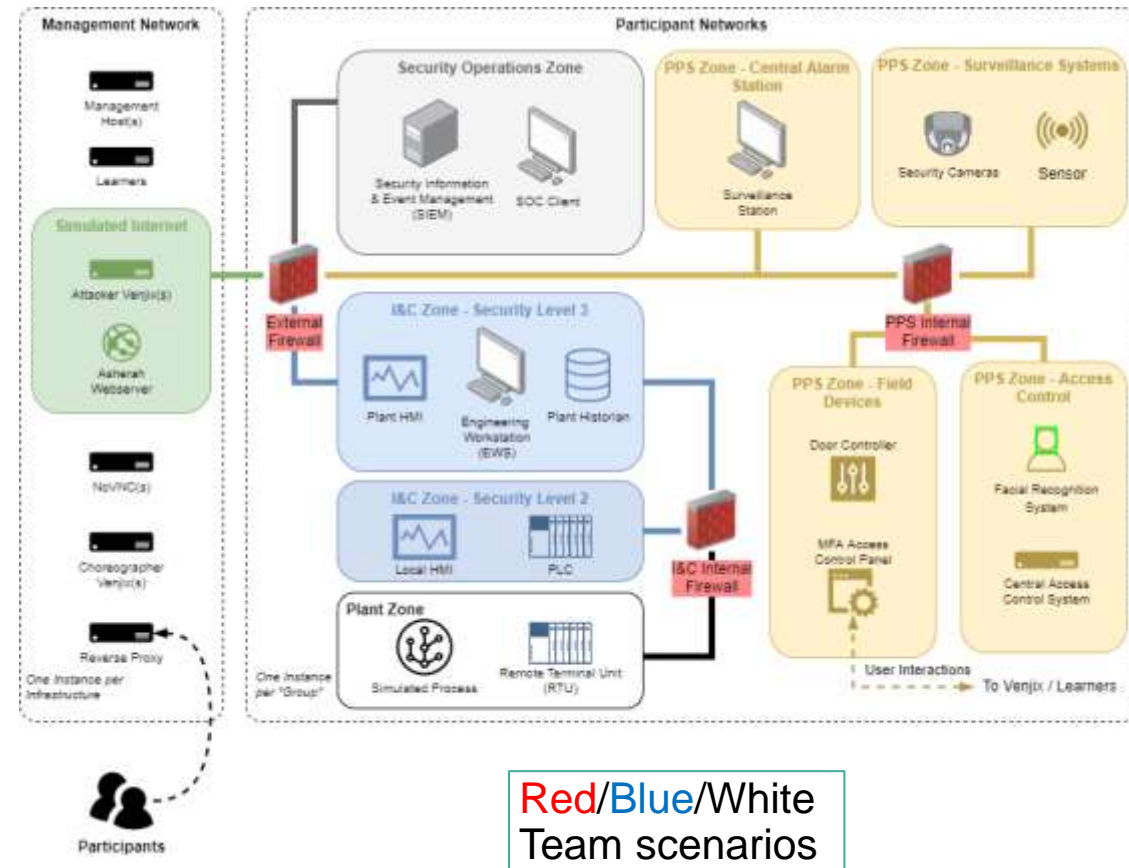
Appreciating the Nature  
of I&C Systems for  
Nuclear Facilities and  
those Associated with  
Radioactive Material

Recognizing the Impact  
of Cyber-attacks on I&C  
Systems and their  
Ability to Perform their  
Function

Exploring the Benefits  
and Importance of  
Applying a Risk-  
informed Graded  
Approach to Computer  
Security

Managing Computer  
Security Risk with  
Technical Vulnerability  
Management

Understanding the Need  
to Apply Defence in  
Depth as part of a  
Defensive Computer  
Security Architecture



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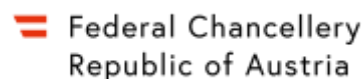
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# AIT CYBER SECURITY TRAININGS FOR IMPROVING THE CYBER SECURITY GLOBALLY



AIT supports and delivers the hands-on training courses for the IAEA globally



<https://kompetenzzentrum-sicheres-oesterreich.at/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/KSOe-PLANSPIEL-2021-v2.mp4.mp4>



Enterprise IT



OT Operation  
Technology



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<https://cyberrange.at>

*We have to rethink our approach how to build and operate digital systems –*

*for system designers, developers and operators –*

*otherwise the availability & resilience of our digital and globally interconnected infrastructures no longer guaranteed!*

*Capacity building will be key for an EU digital and data sovereignty*



# Thank You!

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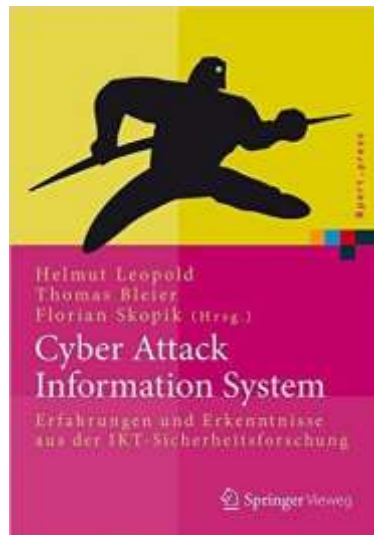
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# LITERATURE – FURTHER INFORMATION



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