Incident Response Working Group Update

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Background

- Heavy involvement of ccTLD Registries in pre-empting Conficker C in Spring'09
- Highlights of post-mortem at ICANN Syndey
 - It was not easy we were not prepared
 - No established conduit for outreach
 - No mechanisms for blocking
 - Some domains already registered
 - No available resources
 - Lack of policies
 - Financial impact to some

Moving Forward

- Conficker was just a wake-up call
 - This was not a singular event
- The ccNSO Incident Response WG was formed
 - Adhoc WG
 - Develop repository, processes and procedures for ccTLD Emergency Response contacts

Guiding Principles of WG

- Preserve the security and stability of the DNS
- Non-binding relationship of the ccTLD registries to any one particular entity except possibly with their own governments
- Diversity of language, timezone, resources, expertise
- Respect particular policies and practices by which ccTLDs may be guided

Work Plan Objectives 1/2

- Provide a reporting point for receipt and remediation information of incident/threats reports relating to DNS
- Provide mechanisms for the coordination of counter measures
- Provide an effective communication channel for the ccTLDs to inform and coordinate with other ccTLDs, gTLDS, and the DNS root manager on security incidents

Work Plan Objectives 2/2

- Provide technical support in response to an incident
- Ensure the security of the DNS registration infrastructure
- Provide a Common Incident Response Repository

Status

- High level of interest within and external to ccNSO
 - WG expanded from 4 to 30+
 - Vice-chair appointed: Hugo Salgado, nic.cl
- Draft plan created
 - Elements and mechanisms of the repository defined
 - Process defined for event handling
 - ICANN staff to create and operate repository

Tasks undone

- Finalize plan
- Design & create repository database
 - Web interface for updating contact data
- Populate repository
- Test communication channels
- Define process and mechanisms for incidents and threats originating from within ccTLDs
- Identify threats (and remedies) to registration systems

Thank you

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Additional Slides

Role of IR Contact

- Provide an effective emergency incident response to their ccTLD registry system for incidents that may impact the DNS or utilize the DNS to perform a malicious intent
 - May include multiple contacts
 - Includes regional organization contacts
 - 24/7 availability

Contact Data

- 1. ccTLD name
- 2. Name of person representing the team
- 3. Host organization of ccTLD response contact point
- 4. Country the contact is located
- 5. Internet domain
- 6. Regular telephone number (time-zone relative to UTC)
- 7. Emergency telephone number (time-zone relative to UTC)
- 8. Email address
- 9. Messenger services (service, id)
- 10. Facsimile number (country code, fax number)
- 11. Other telecommunication facilities
- 12. Language
- 13. Availability of the defined of contact

IR Process Flow - External Events

external reporters researchers, CSIRTs, vendors..etc ICANN security response team icann-ops@icann.org

ccTLD incident handling contact repository

Affectted ccTLDs