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CrowdStrike

[2017 Cyber Intrusion Services Casebook](#)

CrowdStrike Researchers reported that malware-free or fileless attacks are on the rise as the lines between nation-state sponsored attacks and eCrime threat actors are blurred.

“Several key trends emerged from the incident response (IR) cases the CrowdStrike Services team handled on behalf of clients this past year. The team’s case summaries and statistics show vividly how resourceful and relentless sophisticated attackers can be as they continually look for gaps in clients’ IT infrastructure. Organizations should realize:”

“The lines between nation-state sponsored attack groups and eCrime threat actors continue to blur. Secondly, Self-propagation techniques have added a new twist to ransomware attacks and their ability to paralyze clients’ operations.”

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European Commission

[European Commission welcomes first operational steps towards a European Defence Union](#)

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“The European Commission welcomes the decision adopted today by the Council formally establishing Permanent Structured Cooperation (PESCO) and the plans presented by 25 EU Member States to work together on a first set of 17 collaborative defence projects.”

“President Juncker said: “In June I said it was time to wake up the Sleeping Beauty of the Lisbon Treaty: permanent structured cooperation. Six months later, it is happening. I welcome the steps taken today by Member States to lay the foundations of a European Defence Union.”

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The Times

[Cybersecurity is a challenge we must push up the political agenda](#)

Michel Barnier, the EU’s chief Brexit negotiator has confirmed that the UK will no longer be a member of Europol post-Brexit as of March 30, 2019, cutting the UK off from the organisation’s cybersecurity support.

“Michel Barnier, the EU’s chief Brexit negotiator, has announced that the UK will be no longer be a member of Europol once it leaves the EU.”

“Yet the nature of modern-day organised crime knows no borders. The international nature of crime demonstrates the necessity of global cooperation to

ensure law enforcement is effective, not least in the area of cybercrime, which is a priority for Europol in its 2016-20 strategy cycle.”

Privacy

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SC Media

[EC amicus brief in Microsoft Irish server case to school SCOTUS on data protection laws](#)

The European Commission has intervened in an ongoing case between the US Government and Microsoft to ensure that the US Department of Justice correctly understands the EU's data protection laws.

“The European Commission has said it will file an amicus brief with the U.S. Supreme Court in the U.S. vs. Microsoft case on behalf of the European Union (EU).”

“Given that the transfer of personal data by Microsoft from the EU to the U.S. would fall under the EU data protection rules, the Commission considered it to be in the interest of the EU to make sure that EU data protection rules on international transfers are correctly understood and taken into account by the U.S. Supreme Court.”

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NATO

Joint press point

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House of Commons Hansard

Coding and Programming Education

During a House of Commons debate, the Minister for School Standards, Nick Gibb has said that the UK Government will commit £84 million in new funding between 2018 and 2023 to support computing teaching in schools.

“We are committing £84 million of new funding between 2018 and 2023 to support computing teaching in schools, which will include training up to 8,000 secondary teachers to teach the new computing science GCSE, a national centre for computing education and an online resource for the A-level. That will support schools in delivering the new computing curriculum, which includes coding from key stage 1, and our reformed GCSE and A-level, both of which have a strong focus on programming.”

United States of America

Internet governance

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Reuters

[Bangladesh Bank, NY Fed discuss suing Manila bank for heist damages](#)

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The Hill

[House passes Homeland Security cyber overhaul bill](#)

The House have passed legislation that will make the National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) within Homeland Security its own operational agency to handle issues relating to cyber and infrastructure security.

“House lawmakers have passed legislation that would reorganize the Department of Homeland Security’s cybersecurity mission.”

“The House passed the legislation, which is spearheaded by Homeland Security Committee Chairman Michael McCaul (R-Texas), by a voice vote Monday evening.”

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[Trump ‘strongly’ objects to cyber provision in defense bill](#)

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“President Trump is voicing strong objection to language in the defense policy bill that requires him to develop a national policy for cyberspace and cyberwarfare, charging that it and other provisions “raise constitutional concerns.”

“Trump issued a statement Tuesday afternoon, just hours after he signed the fiscal 2018 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) into law, touting the signing as a step toward his goal of building up the U.S. military.”

[Cybersecurity](#)

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The Hill

[Army leaders launch program to recruit more cyber warriors](#)

The US Army has launched a new programme with the aim of recruiting civilians with technology and cybersecurity skills, in a drastic attempt to strengthen the US cyber force.

“The U.S. Army is officially launching a new program aimed at recruiting more cyber operators to fill existing gaps in the force.”

“The service is implementing a new pilot program to directly commission civilians with technology and cybersecurity backgrounds as cyber operations officers who will provide support for the branch’s Cyber Mission Force teams. “

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The Hill

[GOP chairman warns of ISIS's ‘cyber caliphate’](#)

Several lawmakers including Senator Ron Johnson have expressed their concern over the success of the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria's (ISIS) efforts to deface websites to spread and share terrorist propaganda.

“Sen. Ron Johnson (R-Wis.) joined a number of lawmakers on Wednesday raising alarm over the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria's (ISIS) success in leveraging digital platforms to recruit and spread terrorist propaganda.”

“It is good that we by and large have taken away the physical caliphate,” Johnson, the chair of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, said during remarks at a hearing on evolving terror threats.”

[Privacy](#)

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The Hill

[Facebook app for kids sparks privacy concerns](#)

Facebook has designed a new chat app for children, however Democratic Senators Ed Markey and Richard Blumenthal have expressed their concern over Facebook collecting sensitive data from children.

“A new Facebook chat app designed for kids is raising concern among lawmakers and children’s groups over data privacy and safety.”

“The app, Messenger Kids, is targeted toward children aged 6-12, who are still too young to use Facebook. Unveiled Monday, it differs from the existing Facebook Messenger app in key ways.”

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Channel NewsAsia

[Singapore is already a smart nation, GovTech minister says](#)

Singapore's 'GovTech' Minister, Janil Puthuchery, believes that the nation is already a 'smart nation'. Internet development, connectivity and software in Singapore is worldclass, the minister believes, but said more needs to be done in order to understand its true ability.

"People are not necessarily aware of how smart Singapore already is, said Minister-in-charge of the Government Technology Agency (GovTech) Janil Puthuchery as he took stock of the year's progress in advancing the country's Smart Nation ambitions. Citing the example of the National Library Board (NLB), Dr. Puthuchery highlighted how users can look at and reference the entire collection of books from the comfort of their home via their mobile devices, or that one can reserve a book and pick it up from a locker after work hours."

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Network Asia

[Only 2% of APAC companies are considered truly 'intelligent' enterprises: study](#)

According to Zebra Technologies Corporation's "Intelligent Enterprise Index" survey, only two percent of companies in the Asia Pacific region are classified as "intelligent" companies.

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"This global survey analyzes where companies are on the journey to becoming an Intelligent Enterprise; how they are connecting the physical and digital worlds to improve visibility, efficiencies and growth."

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The Economic Times

[Chinese hackers step up attacks on Indian shores](#)

The number of cyber-attacks originating in China has increased and are likely to spread to other Asian nations such as India and Hong Kong.

“A leading Indian infrastructure company recently discovered to its dismay that its IT systems were compromised, with hackers gaining remote access to some of the most sensitive information for a fairly long period of time.”

“While no official complaint has been made by the company, the attack might just be proverbial tip of the iceberg, and cyber-security experts engaged by the firm say Chinese hackers were behind the breach. Several Indian companies and some government institutions have seen an increase in cyber-attacks originating in China, say industry trackers.”

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China Daily

[Cybersecurity park to fuel innovation](#)

The Chinese Government has announced its intention to create a national cybersecurity industrial park. The announcement comes as part of its plan to

enhance its big data strategy and contribute significantly to the Chinese economy.

“China aims to build a world-class national cybersecurity industrial park, which will help cultivate a 100 billion-yuan (\$15 billion) cybersecurity industry in Beijing by 2020 and help the country better implement the big data strategy, officials said on Tuesday.

“The industrial park will be jointly built by Beijing municipal government and the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology. Officials expect it to help contribute more than 330 billion yuan to GDP growth by 2020. Chen Zhaoxiang, vice-minister of industry and information technology, said the booming big data industry is injecting new impetus to China's economic growth and spurring demand for safer information infrastructure.”

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Computer Weekly

[How Southeast Asia is keeping pace with AI](#)

Artificial Intelligence is ever increasing in Southeast Asia. Spending in AI technology is set to reach close to \$5 billion, excluding Japan, by 2021.

“Forward-looking organisations in the region are embracing artificial intelligence, but uneven access to connectivity and a lack of skills and understanding of the technology are holding back wider adoption.

“Across Southeast Asia, online retailers such as Asos, Rakuten and Zalora have one thing in common – they all allow smartphone users to snap a photo of an item to perform a visual search through the use of artificial intelligence (AI) technologies”

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Reuters

[China Telecom earmarked as Philippines' 3rd telecoms player: Manila officials](#)

China's Telecom Corp is set to become a major player in the Philippines to support the country's telecommunications infrastructure.

"State-run China Telecom Corp could become the Philippines' third telecoms player, officials of the Southeast Asian nation said on Sunday, as the government looks to stir up competition in an effort to boost notoriously poor services.

"Philippines President Rodrigo Duterte last month offered China the "privilege" of challenging a longstanding duopoly that has frustrated consumers because of slow and intermittent internet and mobile phone services."

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NetworkAsia

[Fortinet opens doors to aspiring cybersecurity professionals at Nanyang Polytechnic](#)

Fortinet, a leading cybersecurity company has partnered with Nanyang Polytechnic in Singapore to offer cybersecurity training under the Fortinet Network Security Academy (FNSA) program.

"Nanyang Polytechnic (NYP) has become Fortinet's first partner in Singapore to jointly offer cybersecurity training under the Fortinet Network Security Academy(FNSA) program."

"The FNSA is designed to develop and train knowledgeable cybersecurity experts to manage new and advanced threats on the horizon, and NYP is the first educational institution in Singapore to offer the program. The program is also available internationally at selected organizations in Asia Pacific, the U.S., Canada, Latin America, Africa and Europe."

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Chinese Government but has largely restricted its use to state-owned companies.

“Alphabet Inc's Google said on Wednesday it is opening an artificial intelligence (AI) research center in China to target the country's local talent, even as the US search firm's products remain blocked in the country.”

“Google said in a statement the research Centre is the first of its kind in Asia and will comprise a small team operating out of its existing office in Beijing.”

Rest of the World

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All Africa

[Internet Security in Africa 'Non-Existent', Experts Warn](#)

A number of cybersecurity and internet experts have stated that internet security in Africa is practically 'non-existent'.

"Data protection experts pushing for earnest legal frameworks for the privacy of Nigerians on the Internet have warned that there is no security in the African web space.

"The experts held a seminar on Tuesday in Ibadan to discuss how the worrisome situation could be addressed to avert even more debilitating realities for Internet users across the continent."

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CRN

[Australian cybersecurity spending to reach \\$3.8 billion in 2018: Gartner](#)

In line with its attempts to improve its cybersecurity, Australia expects to increase its spending in the area for 2018. An increase of 6.5% to nearly \$4 billion is expected to be spent to secure its digital and technological sectors.

“Australia is expected to spend \$3.8 billion on cybersecurity in 2018, up 6.5 percent from 2017, according to Gartner. The research firm predicts that spending will be driven by regulations, shifting buyer mindset, awareness of emerging threats and the evolution to a digital business strategy.”

“Overall, a large portion of security spending is driven by an organisation's reaction toward security breaches as more high profile cyberattacks and data breaches affect organisations worldwide,” Gartner research director Ruggero Contu said.”

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The Canberra Times

[Australia ranks second in defence think tank's cyber security report](#)

Following recent efforts to increase its cybersecurity capability, Australia has successfully been ranked second for its cyber policies. The report from Australian Strategic Policy Institute revealed that only the USA performed better in this area.

“Efforts to ramp up Australia's response to the threat of attacks have placed it among the best-performing Asia-Pacific nations on a measure of their cyber capabilities.”

“Defence think tank the Australian Strategic Policy Institute ranked Australia equal second with Japan out of 25 nations for cyber policies in a report released on Tuesday that said the region's nations had grown more mature in responding to the threat.”

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Front Page Africa

[“Our Nation Has Potential to Leverage Cyberspace to Achieve Growth”](#)

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Foreign Minister, Marjon Kamara, believes that internet and technology will be key to the nations success in growing its economy.

“Liberia will need help from developed countries like China, which is one of the world’s major contributors and user of modern technological breakthroughs, and which has vast human capacity, in its quest and efforts to leverage cyberspace for economic development and growth,” said Foreign Minister Marjon Kamara, when she spoke at the 4th World Internet Conference 2017 in Wuzhen, China.

“Minister Kamara who led 4-man delegation to the Conference informed the audience comprising of representatives from countries around the world that, ‘the Internet creates opportunities for growth and development and with the resources available to leverage these opportunities, any underdeveloped country can find its way to moving from a poor nation to a middle-income nation.’”

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It News Africa

Safaricom expands 4G coverage across Kenya

As part of its aim of increasing internet access and connectivity, Kenya's mobile network operator, Safaricom, has revealed its intention to expand its 4G network to all 47 counties in Kenya. The news comes just three years after 4G was rolled out in the country.

"Kenya's mobile network operator, Safaricom has announced that 4G network will now be available across all 47 counties. According to the company, there are now one million customers enjoying 4G in Kenya. Safaricom said the milestone was achieved on the back of an expanding 4G network, increased the affordability of 4G smartphones and more affordable data bundles.

The country has consistently stood out as a global innovation powerhouse and a leader in global mobile technology adoption. This milestone further cements Kenya's position and establishes a strong foundation for future innovation,' said Joseph Ogutu, Director – Strategy, Safaricom"

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Diary Dates

IGF 2017 – 18.12.17–21.12.17

Geneva, Switzerland

Manusec Europe – 07.02.18-08.02.18

Munich, Germany

Global Internet and Jurisdiction Conference 2018 – 26.02.18-28.02.18

Ottawa, Canada

RSA – 16.04.18–20.04.18

San Francisco, USA

Africa Internet Summit – 29.04.18-11.05.18

Dakar, Senegal