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Welcome to Think-Trust e-News

A series of e-newsletter publications has been planned to disseminate Think-Trust project co-ordination activities and events. In addition, the newsletter will provide updates on project Deliverables and other relevant news and activities from the Security, Privacy and Trust communities.

The following will also feature and become regular items in future newsletters:

- Project dissemination activities
- Upcoming Events
- Guest articles
- How Security, Privacy and Trust are being viewed outside of our community

Amber and Think-Trust host workshop on "Measurability of trustworthiness of complex ICT systems and services"

Trust metrics are recognised as an important element in the Trust and Security design of the Future Internet, and its inherent evolving and interacting ICT systems and services. There exists a strong need to develop methodologies which will allow trust to be perceived, established and ultimately measured.

On 27th February 2009, a workshop organised jointly by [Amber](#) and Think-Trust was held to discuss and identify key advances and future research challenges to be addressed in terms of trustworthiness related metrics, methods and tools. For more information on this workshop, please [click here](#).

Contact Think-Trust e-News

Contributions to future editions of Think-Trust e-News are always welcome.

If you have something of interest for the e-newsletter please e-mail:

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First year's work from Think-Trust reviewed successfully

Think-Trust has recently completed its first year's activities with a successful review. Now in their second year, the project is already planning several activities such as a public consultation and dissemination workshop, collaboration with the [Future Internet Assembly \(FIA\)](#) for the upcoming [Prague event](#) and attendance and participation at a number of targeted conferences.

As part of the on-going activities and dissemination work Think-Trust is engaged in, the project web portal is undergoing some changes. A [site map](#) is available and it is envisaged that the portal will now be even more accessible and easy to navigate.

Second plenary Working Group workshop held in Brussels

After a successful [first plenary workshop](#) in Paris in September, 2008, the Think-Trust Working Groups (WGs) came together for their second workshop in Brussels on 24-25th February 2009. This [second workshop](#) had the ambitious goal of building on the outputs from the Paris event and merging the resultant findings from each WG coupled with four use cases generated within the RISEPTIS Advisory Board.

For more information on the workshop, including the Terms of Reference, the two-day agenda and the use cases presented, please visit the [Events](#) section Think-Trust website.

FIA Madrid break-out session on Trust and Privacy/Identity

Think-Trust organised and co-chaired a two-part session ("Trust" and "Privacy/Identity") in Madrid on 9-10th December 2008, as part of the [Future Internet Assembly activities](#). The FIA brought together around 300

people to discuss Europe's efforts towards a future networked society. Participants included representatives from academia, industry (including SMEs) and other interested organisations, many of them involved in current EU research projects in this area. Invited speakers from the United States and elsewhere also attended.

To access the "Trust - Privacy/Identity" session agenda and presentations, please [click here](#).

Networking session at ICT 2008 in Lyon well received

A networking session organised by the Think-Trust project was held at [ICT Lyon](#) on 27 November 2008. The session was entitled: 'Societal and ICT perspectives: the impact of Trust, Security, Dependability, Privacy and Identity'. The well attended networking session opened discussions across a multi-disciplinary environment integrating socio-economic and technology perspectives. It also raised awareness to ongoing research in this important area. [More information on this networking session](#).

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Dissemination Activities

Think-Trust poster accepted for WEBSCI '09

The [2009 WEBSCI](#) conference took place in Athens between March 18th and March 20th and this year Think-Trust was represented at the poster section of the event. The poster encompassed an overview of the project, elaborating the challenges and objectives and the expected impact of the project.

The event was held at the ["Hellenic Cosmos" Cultural Centre](#) and was attended by people from a wide range of disciplinary perspectives, including computer science, physics, economics, political science, sociology, geography, management and health.

Project deliverables

All project Deliverables designated PUBLIC are available on the Think-Trust web portal, in the [Public Documents](#) section. Current Deliverables being worked on are the Report from the project's second Working Group workshop and the first interim Recommendations Report.

Upcoming Events

- [RISEPTIS plenary meeting](#): April 28th, Brussels. The third plenary of the Advisory Board takes place in Brussels, with the results from the WG workshop among the items for discussion for the Board members.
 - [Future Internet Assembly](#): May 11th – 13th, Prague. After the success of the first two FIA events, held in Bled and Madrid in 2008, there will be significant follow up in the FIA Prague meeting. Trust and Identity have six hours of break out session time during the program. Think-Trust is among the 90+ projects who signed the original [Bled Declaration](#), and as part of their role as FIA caretakers, several Think-Trust partners organised and chaired a [two-part breakout session](#) in Madrid also.
 - [Fair for Trust & Security Research](#): May 14th, Olomouc (Czech Republic). Today, secure and reliable ICT systems and network infrastructures, as well as the trustworthiness of the services they provide play a pivotal role for the further development of the Information Society. Immediately following the FIA Prague event and accessible by high speed train the Fair is a unique opportunity for getting practical hands-on information and concrete advice on how to become involved in EU's FP7 research activities in the field of ICT trust and security, in view of forthcoming 2009 calls for R&D proposals. Participants include EC officers, project managers, researchers and representatives of public and private stakeholders.
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TSD in the News

PC virus threat over week of April 1st

Source: The Irish Times

Publication date: 03/04/2009

“SECURITY WAS pushed back to the top of the agenda this week with news emerging over the weekend of the Chinese GhostNet and April Fool’s Day passing with the Conficker worm failing to deliver its payload.

The GhostNet was discovered by Canadian security researchers and was found to have infected thousands of government computers in 103 countries. Once installed on PCs, the software was able to send documents back to its creators and even control the PC microphones and webcams.”

[Click here for the full report](#)

‘IEEE Computer’ Cover Feature: Dynamic Trust Management

Source: IEEE Computer Magazine

Publication date: February 2009 edition

“Trust management forms the basis for communicating policy among system elements and demands credential checking for access to all virtual private service resources—along with careful evaluation of credentials against specified policies—before a party can be trusted.”

[Click here to access the full article](#)
