

Forum on DNS Abuse

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11:00- 12:30

Brussels

Format: Most of the online crimes you hear of abuse the Domain Name System in some way. Whether a scam artist hides his identity by hosting his website behind an orphaned record, or a phisher registers a domain intended to resemble a famous brand, abuse of the DNS involves many ICANN stakeholders. Consumers and businesses can be victims of abuse, legitimate service providers might see criminals and fraudsters use those very services to commit offenses. This Forum is the fifth in a series where the different stakeholders affected by DNS Abuse can share information and ideas for responding to such abuse.

Introduction

Moderator: Marc van Wesemael, General Manager EURID

The moderator will outline the purpose of the Forum, explain the format and panel topics. The moderator will also chair each panel.

Session 1: Latest Developments in the Fight against DNS Abuse

Panel: Michael Busch, (EU Commission, the Information Society and Media Directorate-General, Bill Smith, (PayPal), Peter Jenssen (EURID), and Richard Cox and Carel van Straaten (SpamHaus).

This session covers the latest developments in the fight against DNS-related abuse such as phishing, malware and crimeware. This session addresses regional challenges faced in Europe and explains recent activities trying to limit such abuse. Mr. Busch will provide a general overview on the EU's activities to fight child sexual abuse images on the Internet and will suggest measures to be taken at the level of the DNS. Paypal's Bill Smith will provide an overview of the challenges faced by Paypal in responding to DNS abuse. Peter Jenssen will highlight EURID's approach to responding to phishing abuse. Mr. Cox and Mr. van Straaten will explain the SpamHaus Project, including the creation of the Domain Block List.

Session 2: Adoption of Industry-Led Practices to Protect Consumers from DNS Abuse

Panel: Wout De Natris (Onafhankelijke Post en Telecommunicatie Autoriteit (OPTA), and Chair of the Cyber Crime Working Party), Jeremy Malcolm (Consumers International), Chris Disspain (.au registry), and Stephane Van Gelder (Registrar).

The panel will explore whether voluntary adoption of Codes of Conduct or other industry led initiatives in lieu of mandatory requirements would enhance the ability of

law enforcement, security companies and other responders to protect consumers from DNS related abuse.

The Abuse of the DNS Forum has turned into one of the more popular recurring sessions at ICANN international meetings. Join us for informative, up-to-the-minute reports from the global war against DNS abuse.