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CSIRT – LEA cooperation

Remarks for the Launch event of CyberEAST

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A happy marriage?

Why is this a topic?

Different roles and responsibilities!

CSIRT:

Incidents
Preventative
Damage control

LEA:

Crimes
Reactive
Attribution

Both provide Security
Expertise



Deconflicting tasks

Not every security incident has a criminal component

Not every incident is a crime

Not every threat comes with an adversary with bad intentions



Why bother?

Many incidents involve criminality

Many crimes lead to security incidents (and vv)

Many threats are posed by an adversary with bad intentions



Police

- Enforce cybercrime legislation/Public order
- Digital evidence/Attribution
- Tightly regulated exchange of information (need to know)

CSIRTs

- Coordinating task
- Often informational/awareness oriented
- Critical Infrastructure: increased mandate to set standards
- Often focussed on sharing information as much as possible (TLP)

EU: NIS directive

- NIS authority
- National CERT
- Goal: Critical infrastructure protection
- Attacks on Information systems (separate directive: requires monitoring and information exchange)

ALL: Data protection

Areas of cooperation?

- **Critical Infrastructure**
- **Data breaches**
- **Large scale incidents involving attacks on information systems**
- **...**

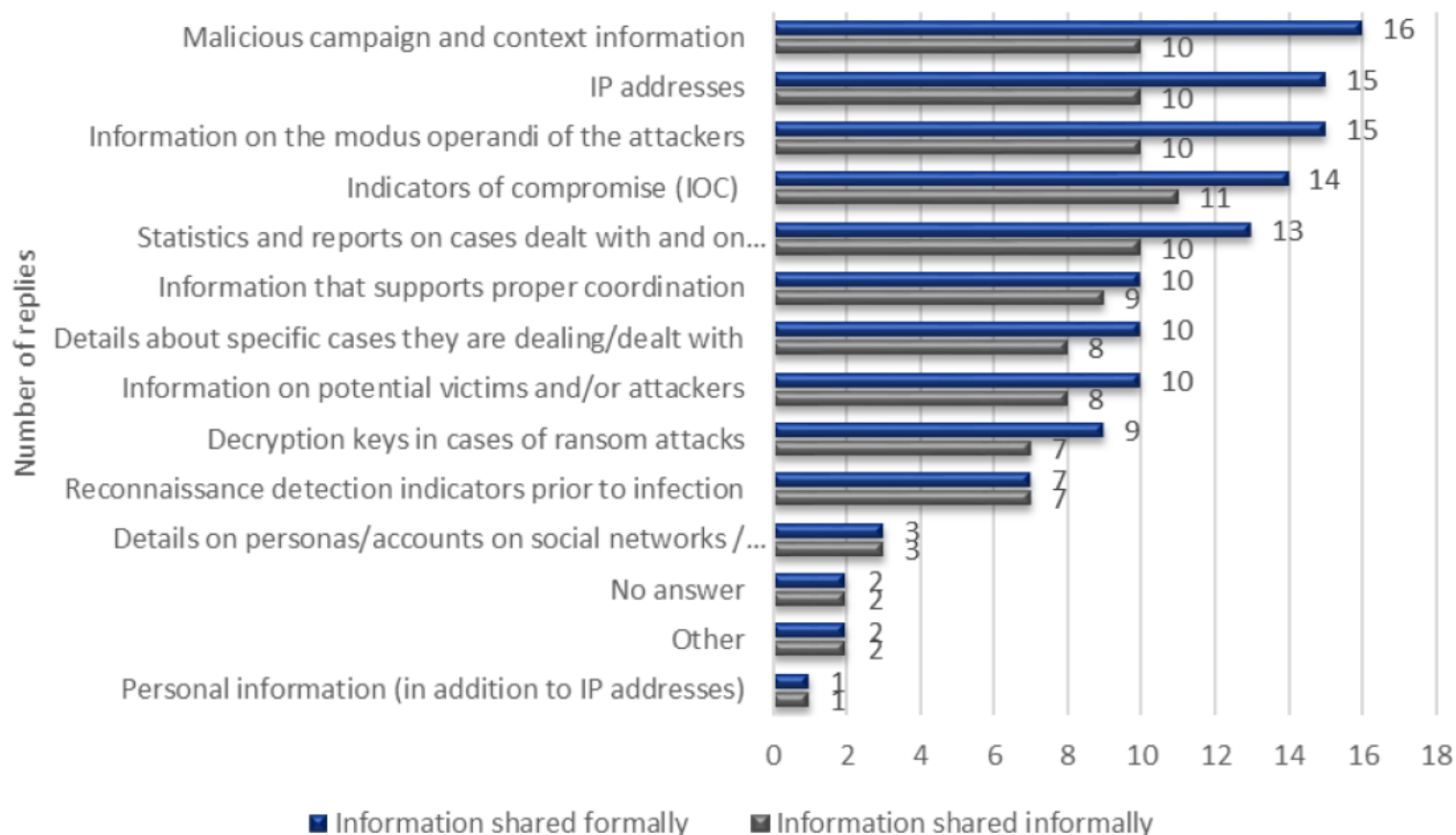
CERTS: Sectoral approach (constituencies)

Law Enforcement: Topical Approach (areas of expertise)

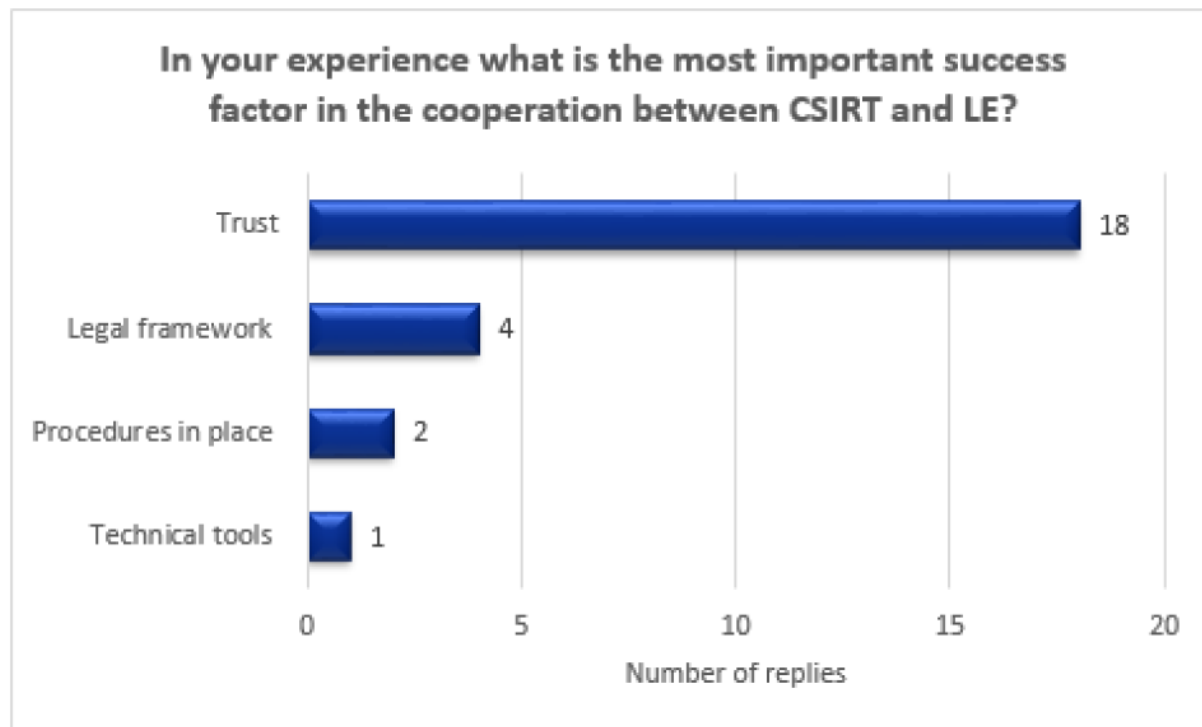
ENISA: study on cooperation

ENISA: LEA-CSIRT Cooperation Survey

In your experience what kind of information is shared formally/informally between CSIRT and LE?

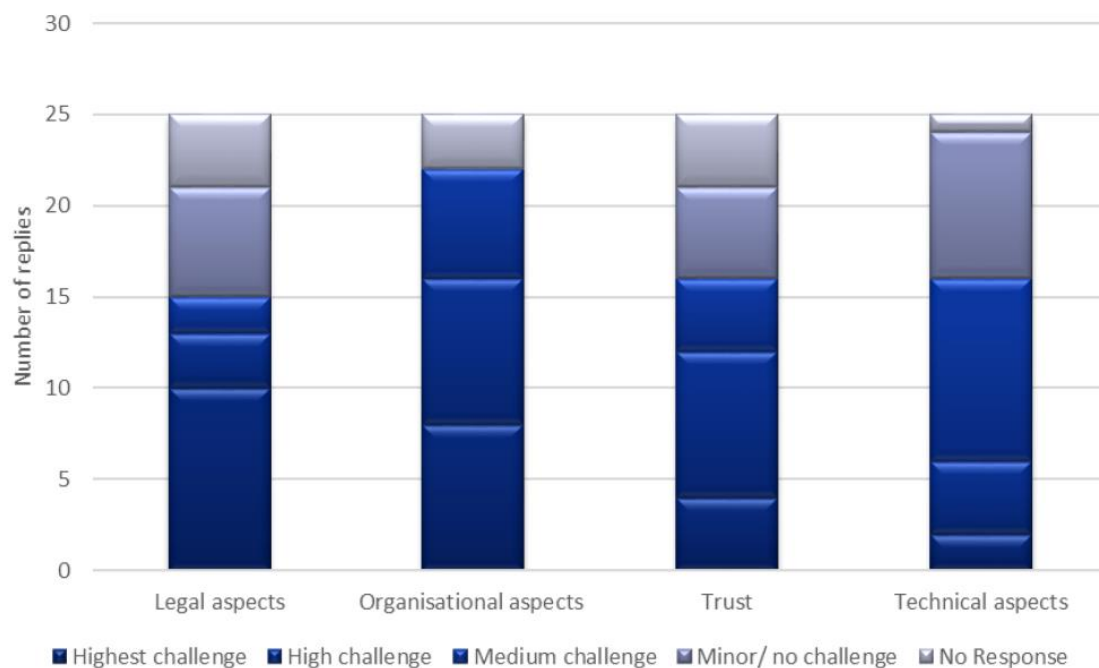


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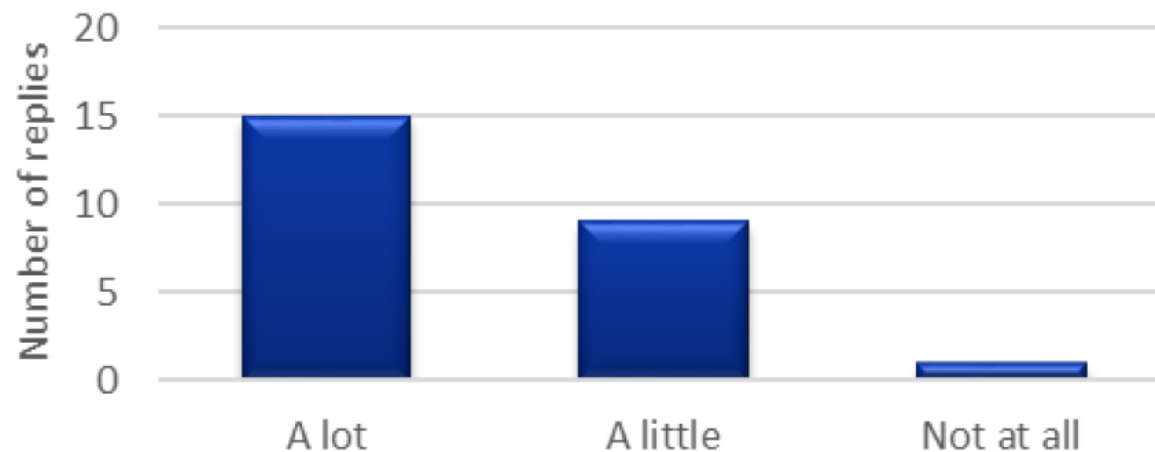
ENISA: LEA-CSIRT Cooperation Survey

What do you believe to be the most challenging aspects of the cooperation between CSIRT and LE?



ENISA: LEA-CSIRT Cooperation Survey

How much the automation of information sharing improve the cooperation between CSIRT and law enforcement?



ENISA:

- **Data retention**
- **Secrecy of criminal investigations and the 'need to know'**
- **Sharing of personal data, including IP addresses**
- **Fundamental rights**
- **Chain of custody and evidence admissibility**
- **Diversity of legal frameworks between Member States and the timing of the investigative Cooperation between Member States**



Challenges (technical , organisational)

ENISA (technical):

- **Validation of the digital forensic tools**
- **Different technical maturity levels across different communities**
- **Lack of common tools, tools for automated or semi-automated transfer of the data, and coordination tools**
- **Taxonomy-related challenges**

ENISA (organisational):

- **Need for reciprocal understanding of the structures, roles and strengths**
- **Digital forensics expertise and the digital forensics training**

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