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Understanding the drivers of cybercriminality, and new methods to prevent, investigate and mitigate cybercriminal behaviour.
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Cybercrime is rising at an exponential rate and causing unprecedented economic loss, social unrest and harm. The existence of hacking tools as a service on the dark web has made cybercrime very accessible to unsophisticated and sometimes technically unsavvy hackers. The first step in tackling cybercriminality, however, is to understand the human drivers behind cybercrime, especially the drivers for young people.

The CC-DRIVER project aims to examine such drivers behind cybercriminality across the European Union (EU), emphasising the factors that lead young people to cybercrime, as well as cybercrime-as-a-service.

Part of this project is the development of a Vulnerability Self-Assessment Questionnaire (SAQ) that can help Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs) and Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) protect themselves from cybercriminals by embarking on cybersecurity defences, organisational measures, cost-benefit considerations and awareness of fundamental rights such as the rights to privacy, protection of personal data and the free movement of persons.

The self-assessment questionnaire, launched this month (July 2022), is intended to provide SMEs and CSOs with a comprehensive report on their current security posture and most importantly, recommendations on how to strengthen their security posture. The self-assessment questionnaire is intended as a powerful, practical and cost-effective tool for SMEs and CSOs because hiring the required cyber security professionals to make such an assessment often puts a strain on resources.

We are aiming for 100 anonymous responses to create a report containing the quantitative and qualitative statistics about SMEs and CSOs security posture, which will be published.

Please note that the application does not save any information that can be used to identify the respondents.

If you are a SME or a CSO and would like to participate in the free online vulnerability self-assessment questionnaire, please contact us directly using the following channels:

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