Security Connections

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Cisco Executive Perspective

"SMART Defense"

"Thanks to the tireless ingenuity of cyber-criminals, the IT threat is arriving in the boardroom. As data and applications move to the cloud, mobile transactions are becoming routine and bring-your-own-device demand is surging. To keep their assets and information safe, security professionals have to rethink their strategies," says Christopher Young, Senior Vice President for Security and Government at Cisco.

Christopher Young, Senior Vice President for Security and Government, Cisco

Learn More.

Product and Solutions News

Cisco Teams with Industry Leaders to offer Network Wide Context Orchestration

On June 13th Cisco announced the Security Information and Event Management/Threat Defense partner ecosystem tied to its Identity Services Engine (ISE). Also announced was the pxGrid context sharing framework. These announcements expand network intelligence and remediation capabilities adding real-time context, consistent visibility and orchestration of network actions through information sharing.

Learn more

Time to Migrate your Firewall: ASA Migration Resources

Cisco ASA 5500-X Series: Why upgrade?

- Cisco ASA 5500-X Series FAQ
- Migrating from Cisco ASA 5500 Series to ASA 5500-X Series Midrange Appliances

More Information

IT infrastructure for the 2012 US Vice Presidential Debate

This new case study highlights how a Cisco partner designed and supported the IT infrastructure used for the 2012 US Vice-presidential debate. This infrastructure included IPS 4510 and ASA 5525-X.

Read case study.

Cisco Keynote: Interop Las Vegas 2013

Your Enterprise Network: Getting You Where You Want to Go

Rob Soderbery, Senior Vice President and General Manager of Cisco Enterprise Networking, discusses the potential and the challenges of Internet of Everything (IoE). Learn how a next-generation network architecture--programmable, open, and application-aware---can help organizations unleash the power of IoE and get you where you want to go.

Register to view the Cisco Keynote

Cisco awarded security company of the year in Belgium

Data News Awards for Excellence 2013 awarded Cisco Security Company of the Year. This should come as no surprise to anyone who is aware of the security range that Cisco has developed over the years, which goes from classic firewall and access control products to appliances, VPN equipment, management tools and more.

Read Article

Cisco Unified Access—Customer Webinar

Activate with Cisco Unified Access Part IV: Centralize Policy Control & Enforcement Hear from Cisco expert Mary Tauzia and Kasey Kollar, Supervisor of Technology from Bucks County Intermediate Unit #22 walk through real-life examples to show how ISE simplifies the design and implementation of security policies throughout the network.

VOD

- **Shedding More Light on MDM**—My friends at Cisco's TechWiseTV have taken MDM to heart and have offered some keen insight from a geek's POV (point of view) into MDM. Starting with a primer on MDM, Networking 101: MDM, Jimmy Ray answers the questions on what is MDM and what can it do for my organization in his entertaining and educational white board approach.

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Events

Cisco Live Orlando FL—June 23-27th

Cisco Live Orlando 2013, brings together thousands of the brightest minds in IT— from network engineers to senior IT executives. We invite you to save the dates and participate in a variety of Cisco Security activities that will take place at Cisco Live from June 23 – June 27, at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, FL. Below are some key details around Cisco's planned participation.

Check out the Cisco Security Booth

See live demonstrations on data center and cloud security, web and email security, firewalls, secure access and mobility, cyber threat defense, trustworthy systems, PCI compliance, Meraki cloud-managed security, and more.

Speaking Sessions

Christopher D. Young, Senior Vice President of Cisco's Security and Government Group, will present the solutions keynote on Monday, June 24, "Securing Our Next-Generation Networks and Data Centers."

Cisco experts will speak in more than 80 technology tracks; these sessions are outlined on the Cisco Live site.

Meet with Our Security Experts

Cisco executives and subject-matter experts will be available to meet with you one-on-one at Cisco Live 2013. To request a meeting at the conference, email ciscolivesecurity2013@cisco.com.

Threat Defense

Massive Spam Campaign Following the Boston Tragedy

After the Boston Marathon bombing, two botnets began a massive spam campaign to take advantage of the tragedy. On April 16, the first botnet sent spam messages that included a link to a site that claimed to have videos of explosions. Links to these sites were posted as comments to various blogs. You can read more here.

Cisco Intrusion Prevention System devices, Cloud Web Security, Email Security Appliances, and Web Security Appliances blocked this campaign from the start.

Customer Story of the Month

Centre College's Hosting of "Thrill in the 'Ville II" Meant High Security Stakes

After Centre College hosted the Vice Presidential Debate in 2000, the media labeled the event, "Thrill in the 'Ville." When Centre College was awarded its bid to host the Vice Presidential Debate 2012, the stakes were high. Devising the IT infrastructure required were Cisco Gold Partner boice.net with its Cisco® certified engineers, and the Cisco State & Local Government, Education (SLED) team.

The team installed more than 1,000 phones, 513 workstations, 100 network access points, 2,000 wired network points, and multiple 10 GB links to securely support the needs of both campaigns, the U.S. Secret Service, the Commission on Presidential Debates, and 3,200 credentialed media personnel representing 40 countries. Read more about this story on the Security Case Studies and Research page, under Government.

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