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Counter-Hacker Security Appliance Launches from Mykonos Software

Trap and Confound Hackers in Real Time with Web Application Security Appliance for Enterprises; Live Hacking Demonstration at RSA Security Conference

Burlingame, CA -- February 24, 2010 – Mykonos Software, developers of Web application security technology, today announced the world's first 'counter-hacking' appliance—called the Mykonos Security Appliance.

The Mykonos Security Appliance gives system administrators and security staff a real-time view of hackers as they introspect Web applications. It profiles hackers in real-time, ascertaining their location, skill level and other critical data, and enables IT staff to instantly deploy counter-measures.

The Mykonos Security Appliance is targeted at financial services and insurance companies, healthcare companies, e-commerce companies, government entities, and other high profile targets of Web-based hacking attempts.

Mykonos is showcasing its new Mykonos Security Appliance in booth #452 at the RSA Conference, March 1-5, in San Francisco.

"As businesses continue to deploy applications to the Web, they are exposing a massive attack surface for hackers to exploit," said David Koretz, President and CEO of Mykonos Software. "The primary security threat for businesses has shifted from the network layer to the application layer."

The Mykonos Security Appliance grew out of the Mykonos team's experience in hosting Web applications and creating the first development framework for building secure Web applications. Today's Web application firewalls are flawed because they attempt to protect by using rules-based policies that are challenging to implement and offer only point-in-time reporting. Web Application Firewalls also do not protect against client-side code, which is where the majority of Web application threats exist. Most traditional enterprise security solutions sit on the network and have no way to protect the client or code—and no way to respond to attacks in real-time with counter measures.

The Mykonos Security Appliance works by hardening the code as it is delivered to the client to detect potentially malicious activity as it happens, evaluating the sophistication of that activity, and countering the activity with a variety of measures such as fake responses to confuse the hacker so that they move on to easier targets elsewhere. The Mykonos Security Appliance identifies the hacker so that future intrusion attempts can be highlighted as repeat visits and thwarted appropriately, and it even gathers personal data on the hacker to turn over to law enforcement, if desired.

"No matter how many firewalls and defenses are put up, hackers will eventually find ways around," said Al Huizenga, Director of Product Management at Mykonos Software. "The goal of the Mykonos Security Appliance is to turn a mirror on the hacker and use counter-intelligence tactics to identify them while gaining intelligence about their skill level. More importantly, for the first time system administrators can defend their systems in real-time by launching counter-measures against the hacker."

Live Hacking & Sting Operation Demo

Mykonos Director of Product Management Al Huizenga is offering live hacking demonstrations at the RSA conference in Mykonos booth #452. Mr. Huizenga will show both the hacker's view and the enterprise view of a real-time hacking attempt of a corporate enterprise Web application. The demo will show how the Mykonos appliance detects and evaluates the threat level of the malicious activity, and responds automatically with appropriate counter-hacking maneuvers.

Links

- Appliance image and dashboard screenshots: <http://www.mykonossoftware.com/about/pressRoom.php>
- Mykonos application security blog: <https://blog.mykonossoftware.com/>

About Mykonos Software

Mykonos Software is solving the problem of Web application security for both new development and existing applications. Mykonos has the Mykonos Framework to give developers complete security coverage and updates at the code layer, and the Mykonos Appliance which sits in front of existing Web applications to provide real-time hacker detection and counter-measures. More information is available at www.MykonosSoftware.com. For sales information call toll free 1-877-88-WINGS, or email sales@mykonossoftware.com.

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