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Web Service Security: New Standards for More Security (only available in German)

Check out the new article on web service standards in the iX magazine edition 05/06 written by SAP's standard expert Martin Raepfle. The online version of the article is available at <http://www.heise.de/ix/artikel/2006/05/126/> (German only).

SAP Insider Security Column: New Article about the Security Optimization Self-Service

SAP has introduced the Security Optimization Self-Service, a new diagnostic tool that comes as standard equipment in the latest release of SAP Solution Manager. As explained in this SAP Insider article by Frank Buchholz, Larry Justice, and Matthias Buehl, the self-service enables IT teams to perform regular system checks, diagnose security weak points, and follow specific recommendations to overcome any potential vulnerabilities. You can access the article at SAP's Developer Network at

<https://www.sdn.sap.com/irj/servlet/prt/portal/prtroot/docs/library/uuid/60dafcf2-0a01-0010-9395-d67c8159cfdc>

Internet Security Initiative "Germany Safe on the Net" Looks Back on a Successful First Year

Over a year ago, SAP joined ranks with a total of 14 partners - among them Microsoft, eBay, T-Online, and organizations such as the Deutsches Kinderhilfswerk (Children's Charity of Germany) - to improve security awareness among German Internet users. Aimed mostly at private users and small and medium-sized businesses, the initiative took 8 pledges of action, all of which were successfully completed. SAP contributed to secure programming workshops and guidelines, as well as an IT security information package for SMEs. During a summit on April 25 in Berlin, the partners provided a review of the first year and offered an outlook into the initiative's future. The event featured speakers Steve Ballmer, Chief Executive Officer of Microsoft Corporation, and German Minister of the Interior Dr. Wolfgang Schäuble, among others.

For more information (German only), please refer to the initiative's official Web site: <https://www.sicher-im-netz.de/?initiative/presse/texte/zweiter-gipfel>

New Partner in the Global Security Alliance: Eurosec

EUROSEC (<http://www.eurosec.com>) has joined the Global Security Alliance (GSA) as a new partner providing flexible security consulting services. EUROSEC specializes in general IT security consulting with a strong focus on overall security aspects of complex SAP landscapes.

In particular with respect to SAP products, EUROSEC can offer longtime experience. This experience is based on a wide range of product security analyses and product security strategy support for SAP. Eurosec also has experience in risk-based security assessments of complex SAP customer landscapes and the development of concepts for strategic IT security solutions.

SAP customers are facing increasing security requirements. This leads to a growing demand for security consulting with in-depth technical know-how in complex landscapes combined with the understanding of business needs. We are pleased that the partnership with EUROSEC enables us to better address this increased demand. The contact person at SAP Consulting is Christian Wippermann (christian.wippermann@sap.com).

Events

On **May 18** an **SAP Forum** at the university of **Berlin-Brandenburg** will take place. SAP's Chief Security Officer Dr. Sachar Paulus will lecture on security in service-oriented architectures. More information at <http://www.bb-sap-forum.de/veranstaltungen.html>

Mark your calendars: On **May 14 - 17** the annual **ASUG conference** will take place in **Orlando, Florida**. SAP security will be represented with several sessions. Check out the details at: <http://www.asug.com/events/asug2006/>

In parallel you will have the opportunity to register for **SAP SAPPHERE** in **Orlando, May 16 - 18**. More information at <http://www1.sapsapphire.com/usa2006/index.epx>.

The **European SAPPHERE** will take place in **Paris, May 30 to June 1st**. More information at <http://www.sapsapphire.com/emea2006/index.epx>.

Keep yourself informed about news on the upcoming **SAP TECHED** events at <https://www.sdn.sap.com/irj/sdn/sapteched>. This year's SAP TECHED will take place in

Las Vegas, Nevada: 12 - 15 September

Amsterdam, Holland: 18 - 20 October

Bangalore, India: 8 - 10 November

SAP WIS Admin Conference, July 12 - 14 in **Las Vegas**: This year's conference focuses on performance and security. SAP security expert Gerlinde Zibulski will hold several lectures on Single Sign-On variants and user management options. You will also have the opportunity to speak to her personally at the "Meet the Expert" table.

Looking for further information? Visit us on SAP Developer Network: <http://www.sdn.sap.com/> -> NetWeaver Platform -> Security or at the SAP Service Marketplace at <http://service.sap.com/security> (customer user required) or at our public SAP site at www.sap.com/security.

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