



Monthly organization meeting protocol

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Members in attendance

- Pretorian / Fredrik Ullner
- cologic
- Crise
- poy



Preface

This document is intended to be accompanied by the full meeting minutes that should have been provided alongside the document itself. The aim of this document is to be as much of an objective summary of the contents of the meeting as possible.

This document pertains to one of the monthly scheduled meetings for 2016 as agreed upon by voting in annual organization meeting in January of the same year. The timestamps on the accompanying meeting minutes are accurate to the time zone of GMT+2, due to the geographical location of the meeting's secretary.

These meetings are more informal in nature and as such do not follow the same rigorous process as the annual meetings. For the sake of simplicity a chairman and secretary shall be named at the start of each meeting and for this month Pretorian acted as the chairman and Crise acted as the secretary for the meeting.

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1. List of items for the meeting

A list of items to address from the previous meeting:

- E-mail to the EFF follow up
- GitLab.com accounts follow up
- Cyber-attacks towards the organization and its members
- HTTPS follow up
- Chat commands on the organization DC hub

2. Email to EFF follow up

Pretorian has received the cleared up version from cologic, but has not had the ability to provide an updated mail/draft, and as such the mail has unfortunately not yet been sent. Pretorian intends to send the mail in the week following this meeting. The email exchange is to be CC'ed to the dcbase email address and archived appropriately. The emails will be made available through the organization's forums or website for public viewing after the fact.

3. GitLab.com accounts follow up

This had not been done by the start of the meeting. Crise intends to start working on this following the meeting. Brief discussion on emails to use for organization related accounts and the setup of each member's individual accounts and their relationship to the master account on GitLab.com. Pretorian created an alias (github <at> dcbase.org) for Crise to use for this purpose. This alias will forward mails to the current primary custodian of organization's accounts on GitLab.com, which at the time of writing this is Crise. The intention is to have unique emails for each of the services the organization has common accounts with.

[Editor's note: the user details for the organization's master account will be made available to the board, who may share them at their discretion if necessary. The registration and use of personal accounts for day to day operations will eventually be encouraged for the sake of version history and contribution information. The master account's password should be expected to change in the event that there is a change in the members of the board.]

4. Cyber-attacks towards the organization and its members

There is currently an ongoing issue where the organization and some of its members have been subject to attacks by one or more parties. The exact source and nature of these attacks has not been confirmed although suspicions have been voiced privately before.

Due to previous attacks and concerns for one during this meeting, the board decided to have the meeting in a temporary location behind closed doors. It is the intention of the board that this will change to the official one as soon as possible.

The organization's web services are currently protected behind CloudFlare, however, the hub remains an attack vector requiring a direct connection the OVH server for users to access it. Project

Shield has also been looked into in regards to the attacks but the organization needs to go through a manual approval process for this service and it, like CloudFlare, appears to focus on normal web services.

The hub can only likely be protected if the exact nature of these attacks is known, Pretorian encouraged the members that have been attacked to look into logging the attacks so that additional information can be gathered if or when the next attacks happen. The same applies to the OVH server, either at system or service provider level which needs to be investigated.

For immediate action, to protect the individuals, the organization's hub should be set up to avoid exposing the IP addresses of all the connected users to its non-privileged users, poy was asked to look into this. Cloaks remain recommended for IRC, however, as of the meeting freenode website is not available thus refer to iceman50's instructions from the previous meeting in regards to this matter for now.

5. HTTPS follow up

This is still on going, currently the reacquiring of certificates remains as a manual maintenance task on a 90 day timer. Work on this to continue by cologic, Crise to be available for assistance if necessary.

6. Chat commands on the organization DC hub

This was looked into prior the meeting by poy, though he was unsure if parts of the setup have ever worked on a Linux install. Poy to continue looking into this. Additionally Pretorian asked poy to defer this task to himself in the event that no headway could be made by the 20th.

7. Additional items

The additional items discussed during this meeting were the organization's tax papers for the tax year 2015 and potential project funding for projects by the organization from the .SE domain registrar <<https://www.internetfonden.se>>, see section 8 for next meeting regarding this.

For the discussion on the organization's tax filing, see the meeting minutes. It should be noted that it is not Pretorian's intent to file for the organization to be exempt from taxes, although positive that remains secondary. The documents available during the meeting were in Swedish. Pretorian promised to ask for English documents if they exist.



8. Items for the next monthly meeting

Before the meeting was closed the following items were set on the agenda for the next monthly meeting.

- Email to EFF and potentially discuss response, if any (Pretorian)
- GitLab.com accounts (Crise)
- HTTPS management (reacquiring certificates, cologic/Crise)
- Chat commands on the organization's DC hub (+about and +rules, poy/Pretorian)
- Tax papers for 2015 continued, get English documents if they exist (Pretorian)
- Suggestions for internetfonden.se projects (Everyone)

This list is not final and any additional items may be submitted to the organizations email address in advance of the next scheduled meeting.

The next monthly meeting is scheduled for April 3rd, 2016 19:00 CET. All future currently scheduled organization meetings can be seen at <<https://www.dcbase.org/meetings/>>.