Scott Jarkoff

Scott Jarkoff is the Co-Founder of Praeryx, a new startup currently developing some insanely deep services and technology. Prior to that Scott Jarkoff was the Director, Intelligence Strategy, APJ & META, at CrowdStrike, where he directed the Asia-Pacific & Japan, and Middle East threat intelligence business. He advised and guided customers on operationalizing and integrating threat intelligence within a holistic intelligence-led security strategy.

Scott's creative genius does not stop at cyber security. He is also the visionary Co-Founder and mastermind behind deviantART, the largest and most vibrant online art community in the world. Under his guidance, deviantART blossomed into a bustling hub where millions of artists and art enthusiasts connect, share, and thrive in a kaleidoscope of creativity. Scott's profound impact on the art world through deviantART mirrors his innovative spirit in tech, making him a true renaissance man in both realms.

Scott is based in Tokyo where he masterminds all facets of multiple opeartions. He has twenty-five years cyber security and intelligence experience, between his time with the US Department of Defense, and the private sector.



Keith Wojcieszek

Keith Wojcieszek is the global head of threat intelligence in Kroll's Cyber Risk practice, based in Washington, D.C. office. Keith joined Kroll from the U.S. Secret Service, where he served with distinction for 15 years. Keith founded and leads Kroll's Cyber Threat Intelligence program, manages a wide range of cybercrime, data loss and incident response investigations and is a trusted advisor to clients involved in compliance-related or sensitive local and global cyber security matters. He also has extensive experience working with international stakeholders on complex transnational investigations and initiatives.

Ely Tingson

Ely Tingson is a senior vice president for Cyber Threat Intelligence in the Cyber Risk practice, based in Metro Manila. Carlos leverages more than 10 years of experience in assisting some of the region's most critical national security teams with managing and mitigating their cyber risk.

Prior to joining Kroll, Ely served as Data Protection Officer at the Presidential Security Group (PSG) and led the Technical Surveillance Countermeasures (TSCM) and Electronic Countermeasures (ECM) teams. While at the PSG, he concurrently held the title of cyber security consultant at the National Security Council, Office of the President, Republic of the Philippines. Ely is also a member of the Philippine Military Academy "Mandala" Class of 2006, having earned his commission in the Philippine Army, and served in the 2nd Infantry Division and the Special Operations Command.



Elvin Gentiles (@CaptMeelo)

Elvin Gentiles is an Offensive Security Consultant with years of experience conducting various types of penetration testing services and security assessments against several organizations of varying sizes, and across diverse sectors – from SMEs to Fortune 500 companies. Throughout his career, he has earned multiple certifications, published several blog posts (at https://captmeelo.com/) and security advisories, participated in different bug bounty programs, and became a speaker at SANS HackFest 2022.





Nelson Santos

Nelson Santos, a Senior SE with Pentera, is a security professional with years of experience in both attack and defense teams. He holds multiple top-tier security certifications and has trained under some of the best known researchers in the field. His interests range from exploit development and vulnerability research to machine learning and artificial intelligence.







Alex Bazhaniuk

Alex Bazhaniuk is a distinguished leader and one of the industry's top experts in firmware security, both in research and product development. Throughout his notable career, Alex has spearheaded teams and driven innovative projects at prominent technology firms such as Eclypsium, Intel, and McAfee. His expertise is not only recognized in corporate circles but also in the open-source community, where he has significantly contributed as one of the founding developers of CHIPSEC, a platform security assessment software.

At Eclypsium, as CTO and co-founder, Alex oversees the company's strategic direction in research and development. Under his leadership, the Eclypsium research team has pioneered numerous groundbreaking security discoveries. These include uncovering major firmware vulnerabilities such as the TrickBoot malware module, the BootHole vulnerabilities, and the widely-publicized Screwed Drivers flaws, which collectively have redefined industry standards and practices in hardware security.





Himanshu Kathpal

Himanshu Kathpal is the Senior Director of Product Management, at Qualys, responsible for the definition, roadmap, and strategy of the Qualys Platform and Sensors. He has more than 12 years of experience in cyber security, specializing in Vulnerability management, Remediation and next-generation endpoint security. He is passionate about building solid products aligned with the company's Cyber Security product strategy to address customer needs, reduce the attack surface and strengthen the organization's security posture.





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Barak Aharoni

Barak Aharoni is a Security Researcher at Appdome, specializes in Reverse-Engineering, OS Internals and Mobile Security for both iOS and Android applications. With a great passion for the profession, Barak researches and develops cutting-edge security solutions and techniques to protect mobile applications from emerging threats.





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Aaron Ng

Aaron is a Senior Systems Engineer at CrowdStrike where he advises customers on their security needs and solutions. He is currently based in Dubai, and is responsible for the CrowdStrike business across the Middle East, Turkey, and Africa (META) region. Prior to his current stint, Aaron served as a Strategic Threat Advisor where he actively evangelised for the value and pertinence of Cyber Threat Intelligence to organisations across the public and private sectors in the Asia Pacific (APAC) and META regions. Aaron represented CrowdStrike Intelligence, speaking at various Security Conferences including BlackHat MEA, MENA ISC, GovWare, RootCon, AVAR, BSides SG, and SINCON.

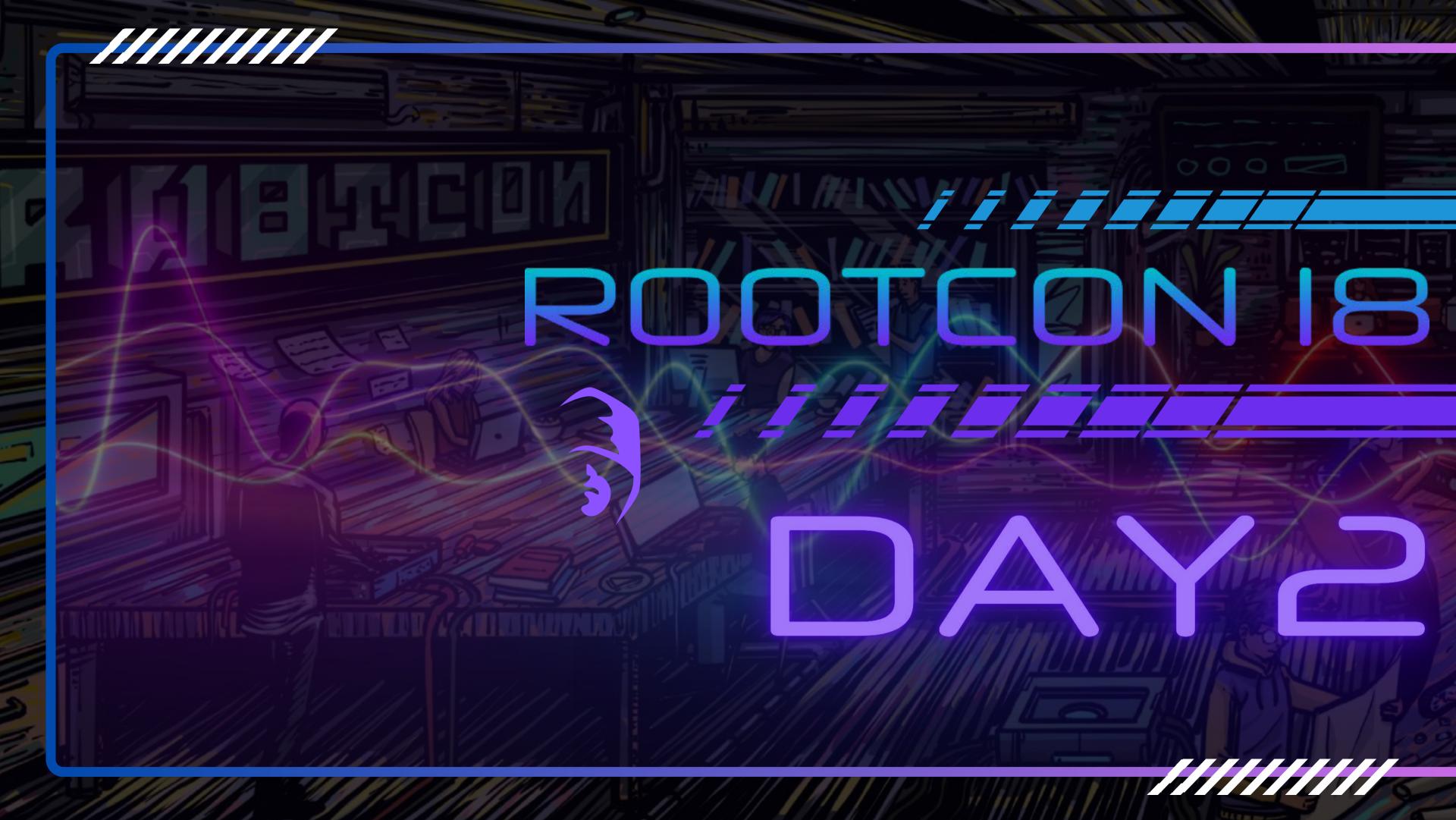
Prior to joining the Cybersecurity industry, Aaron served 12 years of Active Duty in the Singapore Armed Forces as a Military Intelligence Officer. He served in multiple command appointments in classified Intelligence units, and garnered staff experience in the areas of strategic planning and policy development. In his penultimate tour of duty, Aaron was instrumental in developing the masterplan for the Digital and Intelligence Service (DIS), the military branch responsible for providing military intelligence to the armed forces, building up Singapore's digital defence capabilities, and protecting the psychological defence of its military personnel.



Csaba Virág

Csaba leads the area of Cyber Capability Development at CYBER RANGES Corp. and is passionate about empowering organizations with the tools and knowledge they need to thrive in the era of cyber-digital transformation. Csaba has devoted his career to the improvement of #cyberresilience worldwide, by leading on various initiatives, from comprehensive #cyberexercises to crafting #cyberdefense solutions for diverse sectors, including Governments and Ministries of Defence. Csaba's collaborative efforts with international organizations such as the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), European Cyber Security Organisation (ECSO), European Commission, and European Union Agency for Cybersecurity (ENISA), European Defence Agency (EDA), have positioned him as a thoughtful contributor to #cybersecurity #policy and #cyberinnovation. Previously, as the Chief Strategy Officer at Nortal Csaba guided strategic vision and direction of cybersecurity solutions, delivering futureready solutions to harvest the benefits of cybersecure ecosystems, environments, and businesses. Csaba's expertise is rooted in both the technical and operational sides of cybersecurity, yet he places a significant emphasis on the importance of a human-centric approach to security and #digitaltransformation, recognising the value of #people in the digital domain.





Luis "Chito" A. Jacinto

Chito retired twice as Chief Information Security Officer (CISO). The last of which is from Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation (RCBC); prior to this, he availed of an early retirement from the Philippine National Bank (PNB). He has been an Information Technology (IT) practitioner, a training professional and an educator for the past 38+ years,. He is an Adjunct Lecturer for the Executive Diploma Program in Cybersecurity of De La Salle – College of St. Benilde (DLS-CSB). He has speaking engagements on the topics of Information Security Governance and IT Risk Governance, at the Southeast Asia Interdisciplinary Development Institute (SAIDI) Graduate School of Organizational Development.

He is the Vice-President and a founding member of the Information Security Officers Group (ISOG). He is a past president of the ISACA Manila Chapter, and is currently a member of the board. Aside from ISOG and ISACA, he is presently a member of the board and Corporate Secretary of the Philippine Institute of Industrial Engineers (PIIE). He was also one of the first members of the original forum that is now known as the Business Continuity Managers Association of the Philippines (BCMAP) and a member of the Advisory Council of the Philippines National Police Anti-Cybercrime Group (PNP-ACG). Chito earned various certifications that include Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA), Certified Information Security Manager (CISM), Certified in Risk and Information Systems Control (CRISC), Professional Industrial Engineer (PIE) and Certified Payment Card Industry Security Implementer (CPISI). He also holds a Master's degree in Business Administration (MBA)."



CJ Villapando

CJ is a security consultant guiding organizations in identifying security weaknesses in their infrastructure. He serves as an Offensive Security Manager at Red Rock IT Security Inc., helping build the organization's research and training programs and leading various security assessments. His six years of progressive industry experience working with public and private entities have given him a well-rounded understanding of how organizations deal with security.

When not working on consulting projects, he is teaching upcoming and seasoned information security professionals. He currently teaches graduate courses for the Master of Information Security Program at De La Salle University Manila and, more recently, the SEC560: Enterprise Penetration Testing course of the SANS Institute.

He holds multiple industry certifications, including GX-PT, GPEN, GX-IH, GCIH, GX-CS, GSEC, GDAT, GMOB, GSTRT, CISSP, OSEP, and OSCP. He has a Master's degree in Information Security from De La Salle University and is taking the Master of Science in Information Security Engineering at the SANS Technology Institute.



Alex Hudelot

Alex Hudelot is the founder and CEO of Theos Cyber, delivering a full lifecycle of security services, including 24/7 threat detection & response, cyber engineering, penetration testing, and red teaming.

He has worked with and serviced organizations across the globe, including in the Asia-Pacific region, the Americas, Europe and the Middle East, bringing a global perspective to today's unique cyber challenges.

With more than 15 years of cybersecurity experience, primarily in the financial, insurance, fintech and government sectors, he has made it his mission to lead successful cyber transformation programs that protect clients' investments and build organizational trust.

In 2019, he founded Theos Cyber to protect organizations in Asia against a unique backdrop of threats and regional challenges. Prior to Theos, he was the chief information security officer (CISO) for a fintech company, and held roles such as security solution architect, security program manager and lead security consultant, allowing him to deliver some of the largest cybersecurity transformation programs the Asia Pacific region.

Alex is also an authorized ISC2 CISSP and CCSP trainer, a mentor to aspiring security professionals and a security advisor to several NGOs.





Pramod Rana

Pramod Rana is author of below open source projects:

- 1) Omniscient LetsMapYourNetwork: a graph-based asset management framework
- 2) CICDGuard Orchestrating visibility and security of CICD ecosystem
- 3) vPrioritizer Art of Risk Prioritization: a risk prioritization framework

He has presented at BlackHat, Defcon, nullcon, OWASPGlobalAppSec, HackMiami, HackInParis and Insomnihack before. He is OWASP Pune chapter lead.

He is leading the application security team in Netskope with primary focus on integrating security controls in the development process and providing security-testing-as-a-service to engineering teams.





Konstantin Polishin

Team Lead of the Red Team SE group, Penetration Testing Department at PT SWARM, Positive Technologies

Speaker of the international cybersecurity conference Positive Hack Days, HITB

The main activity is related to participation in complex Red Team operations in the largest companies in the country, where coordinated teamwork is required at the stage of initial access for rapid development in the corporate network and obtaining maximum privileges in the infrastructure, bypassing the radars of the SOC team.

I specialize in the implementation of financial business risks in large banks with a demonstration of the possibility of withdrawing funds, bypassing the Anti-APT mail stack and developing expertise in social engineering using the results in our project work.





Marianne Bermejo

Marianne Bermejo, a dedicated Associate Malware Research Engineer passionate about cybersecurity, both offensive and defensive strategies . I hold a degree in Electronics and Communications Engineering, which has equipped me with the foundation in technology and both analytical and critical skills. My journey involves diving deep into malicious code, uncovering sophisticated attack techniques, and devising innovative solutions to mitigate risks. My goal is to contribute to a safer digital ecosystem by staying one step ahead of cyber adversaries.





Zeze Lin

Zeze, a Windows security specialist working with TeamT5. He's credited with discovering and reporting numerous CVEs pertaining to Windows. In addition to his role at TeamT5, Zeze serves as a volunteer staff member at HITCON and actively participates in CTF games. Notably, he clinched the 3rd place position with TWN48 in DEF CON CTF 2023 (and qualified to DEF CON CTF 2024 with the team "if this works we'll get fewer for next year"). Moreover, Zeze is a speaker having presented at esteemed conferences such as CodeBlue, HITCON, VXCON, and CYBERSEC.



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Glenn has over 10 years of experience covering information security audit and implementation, IT risk-based assurance, IT consulting, and general consulting services. This includes two years of working in RSM Australia, where he helped build the Team's information security attestation practice for Australia's Consumer Data Right (CDR) and formally established the IT audit practice in support of financial statements audit. He has extensive experience in management system assessments and implementation, information systems risk and control assessment, privacy impact assessments, business process reviews, and assurance reviews on various application systems, IT operations, and general IT controls. He also has significant experience in: Australia's Consumer Data Right (CDR) ASAE 3150-based assurance engagements (open banking standard); Securities Regulation Code (SRC) independent assurance on information technology, risk management, and business continuity; and Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) independent assurance on IT systems and infrastructure for Digital Bank and Electronic Payment and Financial Services (EPFS) applications.







Niko Akatyev

As Vice President of Security, IT, and Compliance at Horangi, a Bitdefender company, Niko's experience includes leading engineering and product development teams, and his current role is managing the internal IT, security, and compliance strategy and execution. One of Niko's passions is mentoring young cybersecurity professionals—he has been a mentor for the past nine years for the Best of the Best (BoB) cybersecurity program in South Korea. Additionally, in 2022 he began mentoring students at Red Alpha in Singapore. He is a regular speaker and contributor in the international cybersecurity community, from Asia to the Caribbean. He actively participates in the Div0 community and is one of the founding members of the Global Cybersecurity Camp (GCC).



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