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Introduction

Critical infrastructure (CI), such as highways, energy lines or pipelines, might extend over large areas covering wide geographic zones (widezones). There is clearly a need to provide proper security for such infrastructure against illicit actions and against incidents that might escalate to crises. Damages, intentional or not, to critical points (functions, equipment and controls) can compromise the integrity of the involved CI installations and the security of energy and resource supply, with adverse socio-economic effects to citizens, customers and the environment. Developing 24/7 surveillance systems for the security of widezones is of major strategic relevance to European economies, industries, authorities and citizens.

Systems involved in the surveillance of large areas are highly complex, employing different types of technology and equipment, and frequently coming from different manufacturers. The combined use of a number of surveillance systems is a challenging task due to the differences in the way that data and services are structured, stored, used and communicated. To work effectively, the systems have to be efficient as well as robust and resilient, while also providing sufficient accuracy to detect illicit activity patterns.

An opportunity thus exists for the development of guidelines to allow diverse systems used in the surveillance of widezones and large area security to interoperate with each other, as well as with legacy systems, providing a best-of-breed approach to the aforementioned challenges.

This document constitutes a CEN Workshop Agreement (CWA) that represents a consensus among the participants of the Workshop and provides a proactive approach towards identifying a guide on the interoperability of surveillance systems used for the protection of widezone CI). Particularly, it provides specific information on technical content where this is deemed to be necessary for the application of the CWA (e.g. type of information exchange, architecture guidelines, etc.) and it contains guidance on the approach taken (e.g. operational needs, security requirements, etc.) and explanation content on any new concepts that the CWA is based on (e.g. interoperability, sensing units, etc.).

The CWA has been initiated within the context of the FP7 ZONeSEC project (Grant No. 607292). ZONeSEC aims to address the needs of widezone surveillance by defining a new European-wide framework that extends beyond a sole technical proposition.

1 Scope

This CWA will provide guidance on aspects of the information exchange requirements between entities in widezone surveillance systems used in critical infrastructures. These entities can comprise human actors and system components. In particular, the CWA focuses on the services, data and metadata that need to be exchanged.

Given the distributed nature of widezone surveillance systems, the CWA gives guidance and offers guidelines on the architecture in order to address any processing and communication performance limitations. The CWA introduces the concepts of security capillaries and clusters that can enhance the overall system's performance, interoperability, scalability and ease of deployment and use.

The CWA covers the security requirements regarding the interaction of physical and cyber-threats in a widezone surveillance system, both in terms of data communication and storage, as well as the protection of the sensing units themselves. The CWA also covers representation of the surveillance information to the different stakeholders, although the emphasis is not on human computer interaction (HCI).

The CWA offers recommendations on the type of information exchanged, the use of data models for exchanging sensor observations, the use of metadata models for describing the measurement process, the means to validate the conformance of information exchanged to the models selected. It provides references to industry standard protocols which describe implementation aspects like the OGC's Sensor Web Enablement (SWE) industry standards for sensor data representation and discovery. However, it does not cover implementation details of the exact communication protocols, data models, data structures used, or specific schemas for the description of message interfaces, the syntax of the exchange or the file formatting required for the exchange. The CWA also does not cover simulation and training processes for security personnel.

The CWA is for use by organizations responsible for designing, configuring, operating and maintaining wide area security systems. It is also of use to those organizations manufacturing components for the surveillance market that will interoperate with modern or/and legacy surveillance platforms.

The CWA is also of interest in the procurement of surveillance systems that combine best-of-breed technological solutions from several vendors. It is also of interest to risk assessment analysts and to public authorities involved in dealing with the protection of widezones.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO/DIS 19156:2010, *Geographic information — Observations and measurements*

OpenGIS® Encoding Standard SWE Common Data Model, v2.0, OGC document 08-094r1

3 Terms, definitions, abbreviations and acronyms

3.1 Terms and definitions

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