

## Cyber Security Challenges

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# Agenda

- Main types of threat vectors
- Overall landscape of threat actors
- Likelihood and consequences of attacks
- Risk mitigation – what should be done?

# Current state of affairs in the maritime sector

- The level of cyber security remains at a low level in the maritime industry – Awareness is becoming high with IT staff, but there is still a way to go with senior management
- Attacks are happening
- Patch and update procedures are slow on the landside and extremely haphazard on the seaside
- State-of-the-art firewall and anti-virus software is ineffective in keeping out dedicated attacks
- Social engineering tactics work very well
- When we talk to the IT departments they often give the impression that they do not see the necessary support and understanding of the issue from senior management
- US DHS: “Unless cyber vulnerabilities are addressed, they will pose a significant risk to port facilities and aboard vessels within the Maritime Subsector”

**But is there a problem – in reality?**



# But first: a brief look at actual maritime or maritime-related incidents

- Port operations disrupted in US Port due to GPS jamming
- (Old example) Port of Antwerp smuggling case
- High-level port study of Danish ports show 80% of ports appear vulnerable to simple intrusion tools
- Ships with “email access only” are not “email access only”
- Little to no Cyber security policy and guideline in daily work on vessels
- Critical systems running on Windows XP
- Critical systems running on exposed computers
- AIS spoofing and manipulation
- Confidential vessel owner information exposed to the charterer
- USS Guardian (mine countermeasure ship) ran aground in 2013 due to inaccurate nautical charts. Vessel worth 277m USD lost. Not a cyber attack per se, but shows the risk of ECDIS manipulation.
- Remote navigation of an 80 million dollar yacht using 3000 USD worth of equipment
- Facebook as pirate intelligence source
- Floating platform tilted slightly due to cyber attack

# Helpful examples from other industries

- Stuxnet virus targeting industrial control systems in Iran which were not online
- Successful hacking of cars
- Shut-down of powerplant in Ukraine – same approach unsuccessfully used against Kiev Airport
- Hacking of a steel mill to overload blast furnace in Germany



# Bad news: Shodan, your hardware is visible

Search engine for available connections on the internet.

- Webcams.
- Traffic lights.
- Servers.

Database update is performed by Shodan

- No attacker fingerprint
- May match systems against available exploits or known passwords



 **Explore the Internet of Things**  
Use Shodan to discover which of your devices are connected to the internet, where they are located and who is using them.

 **Monitor Network Security**  
Keep track of all the computers on your network that are directly accessible from the internet. Shodan lets you understand your digital footprint.

 **See the Big Picture**  
Websites are just one part of the internet. There are power plants, Smart TVs, refrigerators and much more that can be found with Shodan!

 **Get a Competitive Advantage**  
Who is using your product? Where are they located? Use Shodan to perform empirical market intelligence.

## **Worse news: make a targeted search**

If you know which specific hardware component you are searching for, you can – literally – search the entire internet within a day



# Threat actors – what is the purpose?

- Commercial **Key actors: Criminals**
  - Denial-of-asset / cyber-piracy
    - Ransomware
    - Jamming
  - Cost impact on competitors
- Military **Key actors: Nation states or state-sponsored groups**
  - Espionage
  - Denial-of-asset / destruction of asset
- Terrorism **Key actors: self-proclaimed “groups” or state-sponsored groups**
  - Denial-of-asset / destruction of asset
  - Publicity / cause “spectacular” damage such as loss of life, environmental spills etc
- No purpose **Key actors: staff**
  - Malware overload due to negligence
  - Disruptions due to incompetence

# Risk mitigation

- Be realistic – have a strong contingency plan
- Improve staff awareness – both to detect and defend
- Improve patch and update procedures
- Establish – and enforce – system separation

**It doesn't have to be difficult....**

