# **MISP Project and ISACs**

A VERSATILE OPEN SOURCE INFORMATION SHARING PLATFORM



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# \$whoarewe - MISP AND CIRCL



- CIRCL is mandated by the Ministry of the Economy (under NIS 2).
- CIRCL leads the development of MISP.
- CIRCL manages multiple large MISP communities, enabling active daily threat intelligence sharing.

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Funding comes from Luxembourg, various EU programs, and partnerships under EU/US agreements.

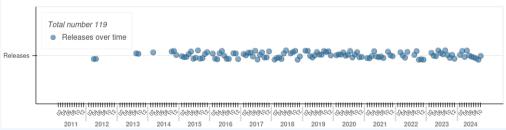
- MISP Intro: What it is, and what it can do
- Current state and Future of MISP
- How can MISP supports ISACs and its members

Building an information sharing community, lessons learnt and best practices<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>1</sup>We published the complete guidelines in https://www.x-isac.org/assets/images/guidelines\_to\_set-up\_an\_ISAC.pdf

# WHAT IS MISP?

- MISP<sup>2</sup> is a threat information sharing platform (TISP) that is free & open source software
- Mature project that was started in 2012, and since then, has been following a community-driven development



#### Releases over time

#### <sup>2</sup>https://www.misp-project.org/

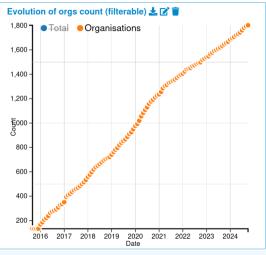
- Used worldwide to manage and share threat-related information and intelligence.
- Open-Source Commitment: Users of MISP can rely on the tool remaining open source and never becoming closed source (autonomy of the users).



- MISP is a threat information sharing platform (TISP) that is free & open source software
- A tool that **collects** information from partners, your analysts, your tools, feeds
- Normalises, correlates, enriches the data
- Allows teams and communities to **collaborate**
- **Feeds** automated protective tools and analyst tools with the output

# WHO IS USING MISP? (1)





# WHO IS USING MISP? (2)

**Communities:** Groups of users sharing within a set of common objectives and values.

- Private Sector: Financial, Manufacturing, Telecommunications.
- Military and International Organizations: NATO, military CSIRTs, national and governmental CERTs, etc.
- Security Vendors: Running their own communities or interfacing with MISP communities
- **Topical Communities:** Set up to tackle specific issues (e.g., COVID-19 MISP).
- **ISACs:** Serving various sectors such as Telecom, Retail, Aviation Traffic Control, etc.
- Trusted Groups: Operating MISP communities in island mode (air-gapped systems) or partially connected modes.
- Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs): EUROPOL, INTERPOL, MISP-LEA, and more.
- International Groups: FIRST.org, MISP-Priv, and others.

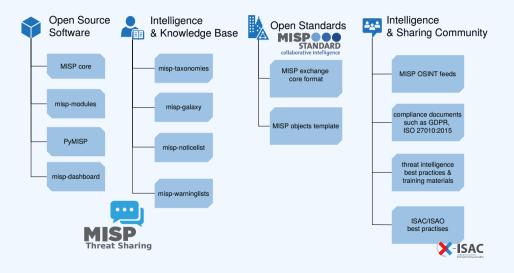
# WHAT IS MISP? (2)

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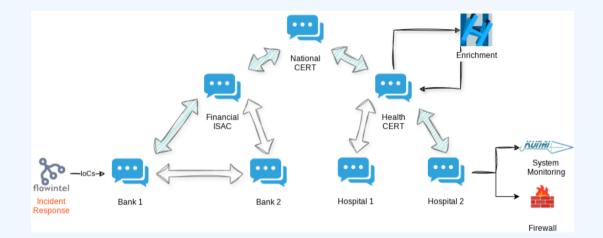
MISP is designed from the ground up to perform context-rich threat intelligence:

- **Enrich** information with context and metadata
- Maps Threats and TTPs (e.g MITRE ATT&CK)
- Supports many standardized classification marking
- Enables information curation through automated quality checks
- Offers visualisation of threat **relationships** and **technique** used
- Generates customizable threat reports
- Allows creation of **Dashboard** for trend analysis

### **MISP PROJECT OVERVIEW**



# SHARING IN MISP (1)



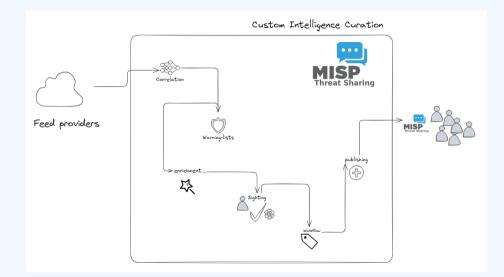
#### MISP offers a wide range of **strategy to share information**:

- Many distribution level offering granularity
- Sharing via distribution lists Sharing groups
- Incremental Synchronisation & air-gapped sharing
- Feed system for ingestion & generation
- User defined filtered sharing for all the above mentioned methods
- Cross-instance information **caching** for quick lookups of large data-sets
- Support for multi-MISP internal enclaves

#### MISP has many features to help you manage and curate the data:

- **Correlating** data
- Feedback loop from detections via **Sightings**
- **False positive management** via the warninglist system
- **Enrichment system** via MISP-modules
- **Workflow** system to review and control information publication
- Integrations with a plethora of tools and formats
- Flexible API and support libraries such as PyMISP to ease integration
- **Timelines** and giving information a temporal context
- Full chain for indicator life-cycle management
- Jupyter Notebooks supporting common use-cases

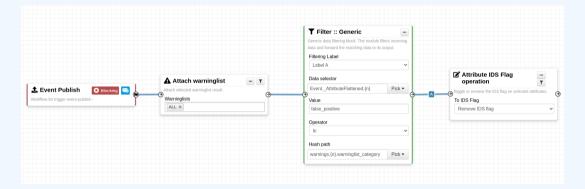
# A SAMPLE CURATION PROCESS IN MISP



MISP has many features to help you integrate various tools, processes and workflows:

- REST-full API & PyMISP
- PubSub channels (ZeroMQ & Kafka)
- **Enrichment** & Import/Export service through MISP-modules
- Workflow system: Quick and easy automation based on trigger/conditions/actions blocks

## **INFORMATION QUALITY MANAGEMENT**



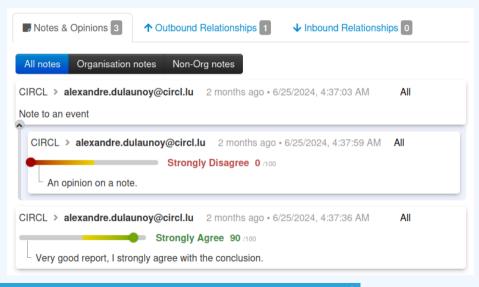
#### Blueprint library available on Github<sup>3</sup>

<sup>3</sup>https://github.com/MISP/misp-workflow-blueprints

#### MISP has many features to foster collaboration. To name a few:

- Proposals
- Analyst Data
- Delegation
- Sightings
- Extended Events
- Sharing-Groups

# USING THE POWER OF THE COMMUNITY



# GETTING STARTED: JOINING/RUNNING A SHARING COMMUNITY USING MISP

# As a Member

Join a "Hub" MISP instance
Host your own MISP instance and connect to a "Hub"

# As a ISAC

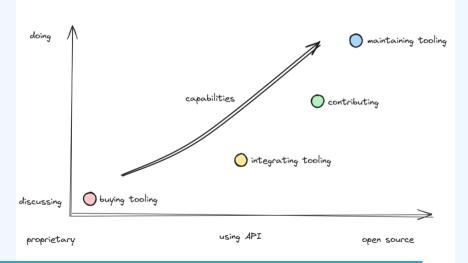
Plan ahead:

- Estimate community requirements and objectives
- Decide on common vocabularies
- Offer services to your members
  - Enrichment, Curation, · · ·

## SUCCESS AND FAILURE STORIES IN MISP COMMUNITIES

- We have supported various ISACs and sharing communities over the past years.
- Success largely depends on the dynamics within the sharing community and how the rules are defined.
- Collaboration improves with contextualization practices and well-established rules of operation.
- Successful ISACs use MISP as a tool, customizing it to fit their specific needs.

### **INCENTIVES FOR USING OPEN SOURCE**



#### **Medium Term:**

- We just released version 2.5.
- Support for 2.4 will continue until 6 months after 2.5's release.
- Full feature parity and compatibility between 2.4 and 2.5.

#### Long Term: Major Version 3.0

- Revamp front-end and aesthetics.
- Analyst-centric perspective.
- Improved search and analytics.
- Enhanced performance.

- We are comfortably funded to ensure the project's continued prosperity.
- MPS provides professional services and assists organizations seeking to secure support for MISP.

#### **CIRCL's Offering:**

- **Support Contract:** Prioritized issue resolution and expert guidance.
- **Training:** Tailored to the expertise level of participants.
  - ► Free onboarding MISP training for ISACs and their members.
- Hosting: Hosted on our infrastructure in Luxembourg (LU), available as virtual or dedicated instances.
  - OS and MISP maintenance, with early patching for security issues.

- MISP is just a tool—what truly matters are your **sharing and analysis practices**.
- MISP strives to meet the use cases of any community, from simple to complex ones.
- The MISP project combines open-source software, open standards, and best practices to make information sharing and analysis a reality.

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Open source software developed and used by CIRCL https://tinyurl.com/ISACTOOLING