Announcement and Call for Participation

HotSec ’17: 2017 USENIX Summit on Hot Topics in Security

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The 2017 USENIX Summit on Hot Topics in Security (HotSec ’17) will be co-located with the 26th USENIX Security Symposium (USENIX Security ’17) and take place on August 15, 2017 in Vancouver, BC.

Important Dates
• Lightning talk submissions due by Monday, June 12, 2017
• Notifications to lightning talk presenters sent by Wednesday, June 28, 2017

Workshop Organizers
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Overview
HotSec aims to bring together researchers across computer security disciplines to discuss the state of the art, with emphasis on future directions and emerging areas.

HotSec is not your traditional security workshop! The day will consist of a morning and afternoon session of lightning talks on emerging work in security. Lightning talks are 5 minutes in duration—time limit strictly enforced with a gong! The format provides a way for lots of individuals to share enlightening ideas with others in a quick and more informal way. These talks will inspire breakout discussion for the remainder of the day.

Potential Topics
If you’re looking for ideas, we would love to hear lightning talks on topics including but not limited to…
• Emerging Threats: what keeps you up at night?
• What privacy would/should look like in 2025?
• How I secured my smart home
• Whether human factors or technical measures will make the most impact in the next 10 years
• Machine Learning: for and against security systems
• Cyber Autonomy in Military Operations: Increased precision or lack of control and accountability?
• Getting rid of passwords: why is this so hard?
• Security challenges in emerging markets

We’ll have prizes based on audience feedback for the:
• Most engaging talk
• Most amusing talk
• Most surprising talk
• Most controversial talk

What is the HotSec ’17 format?
The organizers will group lightning talks together into themes and create active discussion groups around the themes.

Why attend HotSec ’17?
You will have the opportunity to consider lots of topics, engage in conversations, and brainstorm what the future of security would look like. HotSec’s talks are significantly less formal than research talks—but more structured than hallways conversations—to create a true workshop environment.

I want to give a Lightning Talk!
Submit your talk via the Web submission form: https://goo.gl/forms/MlnXERAj3iLJnx5I2.

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