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12th InfoGuard Security Lounge – the successfully revived live event with over 600 (!) participants and a wealth of IT and cyber security expertise

On 29 June 2022, the InfoGuard Security Lounge was held for the twelfth time. Whereas the 2020 edition fell victim to the pandemic and was only able to be held virtually in 2021, the event has now returned to the main stage at the Theater Casino in Zug, Switzerland. The hybrid event was a resounding success with a total of over 600 participants of which around 250 people were actually present on site. The main highlight was the CxO panel discussion with three leading Swiss companies, which, thanks to the clear insights given, stimulated a great deal of enthusiasm among the guests. The culmination was the 7-time Swiss ice hockey champion and “special guest”, Leonardo Genoni. The event was hosted by Miriam Rickli in her usual likeable, expert manner.



Hannes P. Lubich opened the 12th InfoGuard Security Lounge with the subject “Cyber Threats – Cyber Risks are Real”. In keeping with the motto “Know your enemy”, in his customary humorous way he explained a taxonomy of attackers in cyber space. Luca Cappiello, Head of Penetration Testing & Research, gave a candid insight into the day-to-day cyber war by revealing to the audience very incisive exploitation evergreens in the age of EDR, SOC and Blue Teams, and how to succeed as an attacker over and over again.

Cyber Defence – because cyber-attacks are a harsh reality in today’s world

The second half of the conference was given over to issues around cyber defence. Stephan Berger, Head of Investigations at InfoGuard, provided insights from current security incidents which have been handled by the InfoGuard CSIRT (Computer Security Incident Response Team) and presented Swiss companies’ seven biggest security failures, which all too often still open the door to attackers. Ernesto Hartmann, Chief Cyber Defence Officer at InfoGuard, gave a vivid analysis of a successful supply chain attack from the viewpoint of a Cyber Defence Center. In his presentation, he impressively demonstrated how a real attack unfolds. He also explained why pursuing a 360° approach to cyber security and not just focusing on defence but also on detection and response, is essential to a company’s ability to act. As well as this, InfoGuard’s two security partners, Tanium and Extreme Networks, presented new, interesting approaches for optimising corporate security and security architectures.

Podium discussion – cyber security under discussion

In his keynote speech, Thomas R. Köhler, a renowned expert and thought leader in cyber security, explained why cyber security should be on senior management's agenda. This hypothesis was confirmed by several parties at the subsequent CxO panel discussion. Entitled "Cyber-attacks pose major challenges for Swiss companies", Miriam Rickli moderated an absolutely gripping, very open discussion with three prominent Swiss companies. Ulrike Holzhammer, Head of Baloise IT Services at the Baloise Group, Alexander Graf, CIO of Huber+Suhner and Jean-Claude Flury, CIO of V-ZUG, had a lively discussion about what the biggest challenges are in fighting cyber-attacks in concrete terms. In the course of the



discussion, they memorably described what happened to them when their company was hit by a cyber-attack and how they were successfully supported by the InfoGuard CSIRT. In addition, they discussed how they specifically deal with cyber risks to their companies, how they protect themselves and what the cyber security challenges are that Swiss companies have to overcome, both today and particularly in the future. The highlight was the interview with Leonardo Genoni, 7-time Swiss ice hockey champion and currently the EVZ team goalkeeper, talking about "The highest

defence level". The cyber security experts rounded off the event with a standing dinner buffet to network between them.

The Security Lounge 2022 was a great success with over 600 participants, partly thanks to the fact that it could once again be physically held in the Casino Zug. This is also the conclusion made by Thomas Meier, InfoGuard's CEO, largely thanks to the extensive positive feedback from participants, and he is already looking to the future. "It was a 'happening' for the entire industry. After two years of being away, physically interacting on site was a boon to all of us. I am very grateful, overwhelmed even, by the huge interest in and success of our InfoGuard Security Lounge. I would like to extend my thanks to all the guests, partners, speakers and staff who took part. I am already looking forward to the 13th round of the event which will be taking place on 28 June 2023.



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