

#### **Trusted CI Overview**

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### **Trusted CI:** The NSF Cybersecurity Center of Excellence

Our mission: to lead in the development of an NSF Cybersecurity Ecosystem with the workforce, knowledge, processes, and cyberinfrastructure that enables trustworthy science and NSF's vision of a nation that is a global leader in research and innovation.















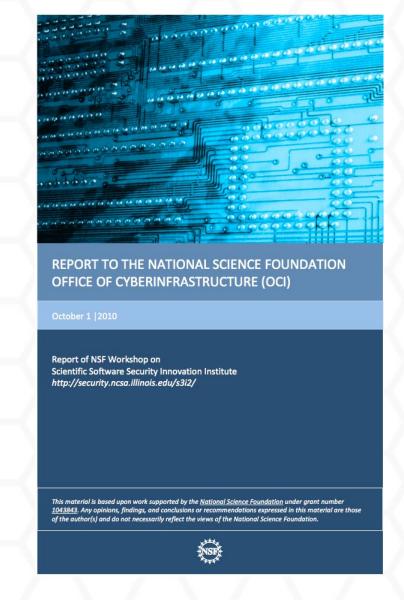




# We don't make the technology. We help you make sense of it.

Formed in 2012

Based on community call for leadership and guidance rather than technology







# What is Cyberinfrastructure (CI)?

"The comprehensive infrastructure needed to capitalize on dramatic advances in information technology has been termed cyberinfrastructure (CI). Cyberinfrastructure integrates hardware for computing, data and networks, digitally-enabled sensors, observatories and experimental facilities, and an interoperable suite of software and middleware services and tools."

-NSF Cyberinfrastructure Vision for 21st Century Discovery



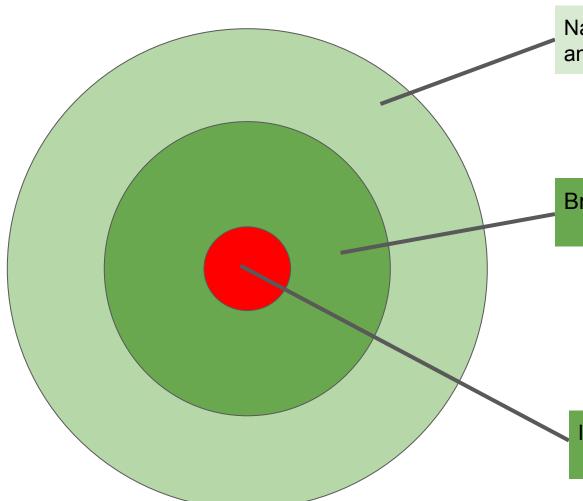


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~1,500 >\$1m

NSF by the Numbers	
\$7.8 billion	FY 2018 Appropriations (does not include mandatory accounts)
1,800	Colleges, universities, and other institutions receiving NSF funding in FY 2018
48,300	Proposals evaluated in FY 2018 through a competitive merit review process
11,700	Competitive awards funded in FY 2018
223,800	Proposal reviews conducted in FY 2018
386,000	Estimated number of people NSF supported directly in FY 2018 (researchers, postdoctoral fellows, trainees, teachers, and students)
57,700	Students supported by NSF Graduate Research Fellowships since 1952

### **Trusted CI: Scopes of Impact**



National level: Leadership, community building, webinars, annual cybersecurity Summit, situational awareness.

Broad impact: Training, best practice guides, workshops.

Individual project: Consulting and Engagements.

#### **Trusted CI: Impacts**

Trusted CI has positively impacted over 340 NSF projects since inception in 2012.

Members of more than 230 NSF projects have attended our NSF Cybersecurity Summit.

Members of more than 90 NSF projects have attended our monthly webinars.

We have provided more than 300 hours of training to the community.

We've had engagements with 44 projects, including ten NSF Large Facilities.



The Trusted CI Broader Impacts Project Report

June 28, 2018
For Public Distribution

Jeannette Dopheide<sup>1</sup>, John Zage<sup>2</sup>, Jim Basney<sup>3</sup>



https://hdl.handle.net/2022/22148

#### **Best Practices**

Security Best Practices for Academic Cloud Service Providers

https://trustedci.org/cloud-service-provider-security-best-practices/

**Operational Security** 

https://trustedci.org/guide

**Identity Management Best Practices** 

https://trustedci.org/iam

Science Gateways

https://trustedci.org/sqci/

Software Assurance

https://trustedci.org/software-assurance/







Security Best Practices for Academic Cloud Service Providers

Version 1.0

http://hdl.handle.net/2022/22123



## **Engagements: One-on-one Collaborations**

Accept applications every six months:

https://trustedci.org/application/

Next application window: Spring of 2020

- Creating an infosec program
- Evaluation of existing infosec program for systems and organizations.
- Software assessment
- Best infosec practices for paradigms
- Privacy

https://trustedci.org/engagedcommunities





## **Example: Polar Geospatial Center**

https://www.pgc.umn.edu/



- Supports U.S. polar scientists to complete their research goals
- Introduces new, state-of-the-art techniques from the geospatial field to effectively solve problems in the least mapped places on Earth.
- Engagement ran January-June, 2019.
- Rapidly mature PGC's cybersecurity program and develop a roadmap for future cybersecurity efforts.
- Trusted CI and PGC conducted a risk assessment of cyberinfrastructure assets, and then, driven by the results of the assessment, worked to build upon these results to improve PGC's security program.
- Leveraged Trusted CI Guide (https://trustedci.org/guide) to Developing Cybersecurity Programs for NSF Science and Engineering Projects and related materials.



## **Example: Array of Things**<a href="https://arrayofthings.github.io/">https://arrayofthings.github.io/</a>

- Deploying 500 Array of Things (AoT) nodes to measure data on Chicago's environment, infrastructure and activity.
- Support scientific investigation of solutions to urban challenges ranging from air quality to urban flooding.
- The ultimate goal of this innovative community technology platform is to help make cities cleaner, healthier and more livable.
- Engagement focused on cybersecurity and privacy implications.
- Reviewed system designs in the context of cybersecurity and privacy, providing security policy development guidance, and organizing expert discussions to inform privacy requirements and policies.





**Annual NSF Cybersecurity Summit** 

One day of training and workshops.

Lessons learned and success from community.

Sep 22-24, 2020 in Bloomington IN

https://trustedci.org/summit/

Agenda driven by call for participation which will be publish in Summer of 2020.



## **Trusted CI 5-year Vision and Strategic Plan**

"A NSF cybersecurity ecosystem, formed of people, practical knowledge, processes, and cyberinfrastructure, that enables the NSF community to both manage cybersecurity risks and produce trustworthy science in support of NSF's vision of a nation that is the global leader in research and innovation."





#### The Trusted CI Vision for an NSF Cybersecurity Ecosystem

And Five-year Strategic Plan

2019-2023

Version 1

June 20th, 2018

#### **Annual Challenge 2020: Data Integrity**

Annual Challenge: a cybersecurity challenge to reproducible, trustworthy science that is unlikely to be addressed without our leadership.

"...data integrity is a particular challenge for trustworthy, reproducible science...large data sizes are surpassing protections in our current IT infrastructure. Data integrity is also not well addressed in many cybersecurity control sets (e.g., NIST 800-171 is focused on confidentiality)...there is no community consensus on the risks to scientific results, or guidance to projects for protecting integrity."

--Federal Cybersecurity R&D Strategic Plan



#### Meeting the Challenge: The Process

- Survey key science projects
- Understand the spectrum of concerns
- Understand current practices
- Analyze the results
- Produce broadly-applicable guidance for projects, CI developers

https://trustedci.org/2020-trustworthy-data



#### Participating Data Hubs/Organizations

- Midwest Big Data Hub
- Northeast Big Data Hub
- South Big Data Hub
- West Big Data Hub
- Indiana Geological and Water Survey
- Ostrom Data Initiative



### **Quilt and Regional Network Collaboration**



- Is consortium of regional networks from across the US
- Members are higher ed institutions of all sizes.
- Train the Trainers session & materials to be presented at annual meeting.

Topic for 2020:

Research facilitation for information security professionals.



## **Community Benchmarking**

#### Some select results:

- Respondents' cybersecurity budgets vary widely.
- Respondents inconsistently establish cybersecurity officers.
- Residual risk acceptance is inconsistently practiced.



2017 NSF Community Cybersecurity Benchmarking Survey Report

> 8 June 2018 For Public Distribution

Scott Russell,1 Craig Jackson,2 Bob Cowles



https://hdl.handle.net/2022/22171

## **2019 Trusted CI Cybersecurity Fellows**

Fellows are liaisons between Trusted CI and their communities.

Fellows receive training, travel support, and prioritized support.

Building on models from UK Software Sustainability Institute, ACI-REFs, Campus Champions.

https://trustedci.org/fellows















## **Cybersecurity Transition to Practice (TTP)**

Enabling researcher and practitioner collaboration to accelerate cybersecurity research to practice in industry, academia, government, or open source via

- matchmaking
- business model coaching
- workshops

https://trustedci.org/ttp





#### Goals:

- 1. NSF cybersecurity research deployed in at least one NSF Large or Medium Facility
- 2. NSF cybersecurity research transitioned to at least one commercial entity, government facility (agency or lab), or academia
- 3. Increased participation of under-represented minorities in cybersecurity TTP

#### **The Trusted CI Framework**



#### https://trustedci.org/framework

#### Framework Core:

- Concise, clear minimum requirements for cybersecurity programs organized under the 4 Pillars: Mission Alignment, Governance, Resources, and Controls
- Based in general cybersecurity best practice and evidence of what works.
- Infrequent updates.

#### Framework Implementation Guide:

- Guidance vetted by and tailored to the open science community.
- Curated pointers to the very best resources and tools.
- Frequent (at least yearly) updates.



## Open Science Cyber Risk Profile (OSCRP)

OSCRP helps science projects understand cybersecurity risks to their science infrastructure and facilitates discussing those risks with their campus security office.

Planned 2019 extensions: Data integrity, Network-connected sensors and actuators ("cyber-physical systems"), and Mitigations

https://trustedci.org/oscrp/



## **Trusted CI and Inclusivity**

Cybersecurity requires diverse perspectives and cybersecurity community suffers from a lack of diversity.

Trusted CI works to address it through its workforce development, outreach, and community building efforts by explicitly seeking out and encouraging underrepresented groups to apply and striving for inclusive demographics.



2018 NSF Cybersecurity Summit Student Program



#### **Trusted CI Partners**

https://trustedci.org/partners













































### **Staying Connected with Trusted CI**

#### **Trusted CI Webinars**

4th Monday of month at 10am ET.

https://trustedci.org/webinars

#### Follow Us

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https://blog.trustedci.org

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#### **Email Lists**

Announce and Discuss

https://trustedci.org/trustedci-email-lists

#### **Ask Us Anything**

No question too big or too small.

info@trustedci.org

#### **Cyberinfrastructure Vulnerabilities**

Latest news on security vulnerabilities tailored for cyberinfrastructure community.

https://trustedci.org/vulnerabilities/

### **Trusted CI PEARC19 Experiences Paper**

Trusted CI Experiences in Cybersecurity and Service to Open Science. In PEARC'19: Practice and Experience in Advanced Research Computing, July 28-August 1, 2019, Chicago, IL, USA. ACM, New York, NY, USA, 8 pages. https://doi.org/10.1145/3332186.3340601



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https://trustedci.org/who-we-are/







Research Security Operations Center
The second NSF-funded cybersecurity center serving the NSF science community.

### ResearchSOC complements Trusted CI



- Operational services and related training for NSF CI
- Community of Practice and Threat Intelligence Network
- Enabling CybersecurityResearch
- Outreach to Higher Ed Infosec regarding research CI



- Creating comprehensive cybersecurity programs
- Community building and leadership
- Training and best practices
- Tackling specific challenges of cybersecurity, software assurance, privacy, etc.











Operational cybersecurity services for research.

Building on existing services (OmniSOC, STINGAR) and expertise to bolster the NSF cybersecurity community's incident response capabilities.

Ramping up in 2019, initial clients in 2020, sustaining in 2021.

https://researchsoc.iu.edu/

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