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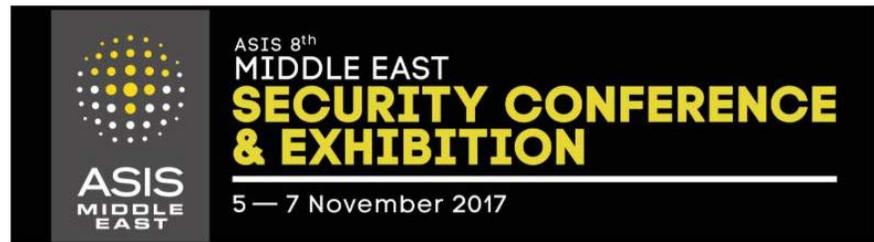
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ASIS Middle East 2017: Save the Date



ASIS Middle East 2017 will take place from November 5 to 7, 2017, in Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain.

Local ASIS volunteer leaders and ASIS staff met in early May to begin designing the event to best serve the specific ambitions of the region.

For questions about the event, please contact middleeast@asisonline.org.

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By Nadia Teodori

Emanuel Jech, CPP, and treasurer of the ASIS International Abu Dhabi Chapter, represented ASIS at the inaugural meeting of the Researchers' Forum on UAE International Security, Internal Security, Disaster Management, and Related Areas, which took place in April. The meeting was comprised of selected academic researchers and industry professionals. Potential opportunities for collaboration between the forum and the Abu Dhabi Chapter were identified and the first joint meeting will be hosted by the chapter in September.

The chapter's monthly meeting was held April 25 in the Experimental Research Department's Meeting Room at New York University Abu Dhabi (NYU AD). The topic was "Key Issues in Cybersecurity Focused on Past and Current Projects at NYU" presented by Dr. Claude Fachka. Fachka is a post-doctoral fellow at NYU AD who focuses on cybersecurity issues. His presentation included a through overview of such timely topics as:

- Darknet: A cyberindicator for Internet threats and denial of service activities;
- Malware: Geographic localization of malicious C&C, attack patterns and trends;
- Smart City: Deploying SCADA monitoring systems and uncovering attack vectors; and
- UAE collaborations and pinpointing future work.

The presentation was followed by questions and discussion.

Nadia Teodori is chair of the Abu Dhabi Chapter.

Articles for the next *ME Dynamics* can be submitted until June 2.

ASIS International News

May Security Spotlight Focuses on Travel Security and Safety

Please contact the [editor](#) to provide feedback on this newsletter or to submit an article for publication.

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SECURITY SPOTLIGHT

The Summer Olympic Games and Paralympics, to be held in Brazil this summer, will challenge the travel security policies of global companies. As corporate sponsors, executives, and ticket holders descend on Rio, security's place will be prominent.

But for corporate security departments, this focus on executive and employee protection should be a daily routine. The [following resources](#) provide firsthand accounts from security professionals with mature travel security programs that can be used as templates for others seeking to design, implement, or upgrade such programs in a variety of settings.

Do you have ideas for a future Spotlight? Share your ideas by e-mailing marketing@asisonline.org.

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New CPP Exam Launched



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strengths and weaknesses, and gain helpful tips to develop a study plan or chapter study group. It is available online in the Certification Resources section of the ASIS website.

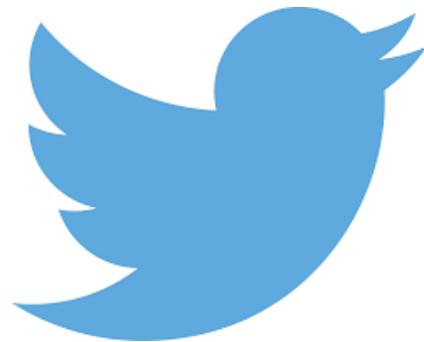
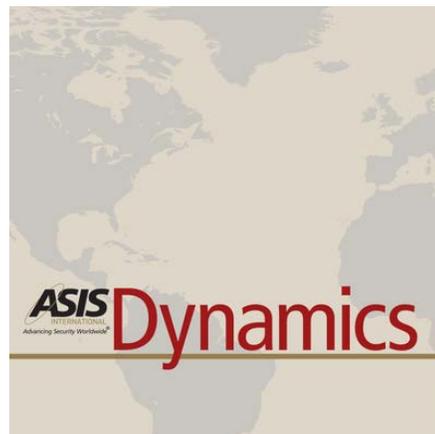
Open Space Forum

An Open Space Forum for security education, research, and training (SERT) professionals, will be held June 7 to 8, at the Georgetown University Hotel and Conference Center in Washington, D.C.

Be a voice for security education worldwide. Join other SERT professionals for this two-day event in Washington, D.C., register [here](#).

See the [video](#) about this new initiative.

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May 31 to June 3 | Madrid, Spain

[*IE/ASIS Gestion Estrategica para Profesionales de Seguridad*](#)
July 5 to 8 | Madrid, Spain

Middle East Overview

Dubai Airports to Ramp up Security Systems

- [First Responders Guide to WMD, 2nd Edition](#)

- [Personal Identification](#)

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Authorities are increasing technology at Dubai's airports to improve security and reduce congestion, according to reports. The General Directorate of Residency and Foreigners Affairs last week unveiled plans to increase smart security systems, including rolling out its new Eyen iris recognition technology across 99 percent of Dubai's airports.

Read more [here](#).

Source: *Arabian Business*

Cyberattacks in Middle East Rise 15 Percent Since January



Ransomware has overtaken news about advanced persistent threats to become the main topic of the first quarter of 2016. According to Kaspersky Lab's first-quarter malware report, the company's experts detected 2,900 new ransomware modifications, an increase of 14 percent above the last quarter of 2015. Kaspersky Lab's database now includes about 15,000 ransomware modifications and the number continues to grow.

Read more [here](#).

Source: *itp.net*

Kuwait Set to Enforce DNA Testing Law on All



The Kuwait Interior Ministry's General Department of Criminal Evidence building where the DNA identification lab is located.

A Kuwaiti DNA testing law that will go into effect this year is aimed at creating an integrated security database. Senior officials told *Kuwait Times* that the law, the first of its kind in the world, will only be used for criminal security purposes. When the law is applied, it will be binding on all citizens, expatriates, and visitors. A Kuwaiti security delegation had earlier visited Washington, D.C., to study DNA testing systems there.

Read more [here](#).

Source: *Kuwait Times*

Saudi Security Forces Kill Two Daesh Fighters in Makkah

Saudi security forces shot dead two alleged DAESH fighters and two others blew themselves up outside the holy city of Makkah on Thursday, the interior ministry said.

Read more [here](#).

Source: *Arabian Business*

Education and Events

ASIS Europe 2017: Save the Date



ASIS Europe 2017 will take place from March 29 to 31, 2017, at the Mico Conference Centre in central Milan, Italy.

ASIS International members can expect the high-quality content that ASIS Europe is known for, with more options to attend than ever before.

The event has a new visual identity and is themed "From Risk to Resilience." This approach will allow the address of key trends and issues facing professionals in the region dealing with physical and cybersecurity, risk, compliance, investigations, crisis management, safety, and disaster response.

Expect more news soon about the revamped event concept.

Questions? Please contact europa@asisonline.org .

ASIS China 2016 Program Under Development



The ASIS China 2016 Conference will take place from November 14 to 15 .

The Call for Presentations closed on April 30 and ASIS International is now working with the event's Program Committee to develop the conference content. More information will be available soon.

For questions about the event, please contact asiapacific@asisonline.org or visit the [website](#).

Global Agenda

September 12 to 15 -- [62nd Annual Seminar and Exhibits](#), Orlando, Florida USA

November 14 to 15 -- [ASIS China Conference 2016](#), Shanghai, China

March 29 to 31, 2017 -- ASIS Europe 2017, Milan, Italy

November 5 to 7, 2017 -- ASIS Middle East 2017, Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain

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