## Verborgene Risiken:

Die Bedeutung von Bedrohungsanalysen in der OT-Sicherheit



#### NIS2



- Taking into account the state-of-the-art and, where applicable, relevant European and international standards, as well as the cost of implementation, the measures referred to in the first subparagraph shall ensure a level of security of network and information systems **appropriate to the risks posed** 
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### Cyber Resilience Act

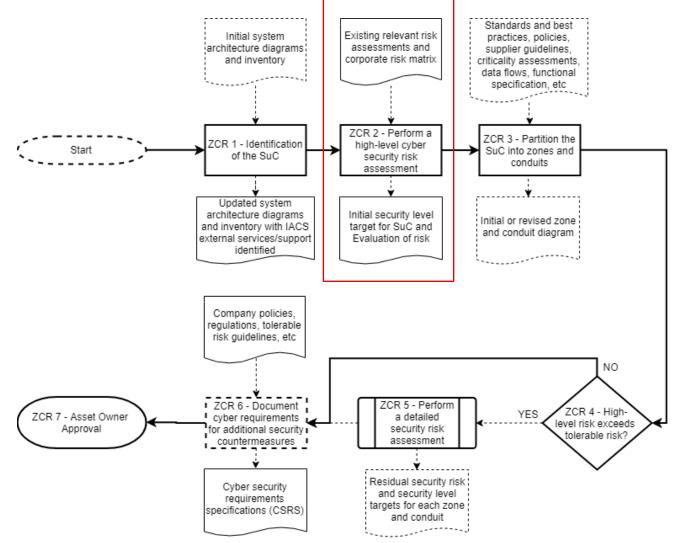
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## IEC 62443-3-2 Introduction

- There is no simple recipe for how to secure an industrial automation and control system (IACS) and there is good reason for this. It is because security is a matter of risk management.
- Definition:
  - **expectation of loss** expressed as the **likelihood** that a particular threat will exploit a particular **vulnerability** with a particular **consequence**





## Assessing Risk According To IEC 62443-3-2

**ZCR – Zoning and Conduit Requirement** 

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## **Top 10 Industrial Security Threats 2022**



The Federal Office for Information Security in Germany compiles a list of the current threats with the highest criticality faced by OT.

- 1. Infiltration of Malware via Removable Media and External Hardware
- 2. Malware Infection via Internet and Intranet
- 3. Human Error and Sabotage
- 4. Compromising of Extranet and Cloud Components
- 5. Social Engineering and Phishing
- 6. (D)DoS Attacks
- 7. Internet-connected control components
- 8. Intrusion via remote maintenance access
- 9. Technical failure and Force Majeure
- 10. Soft- and hardware vulnerabilities in the supply chain

Source: https://www.allianz-fuer-cybersicherheit.de/SharedDocs/Downloads/Webs/ACS/DE/BSI-CS/BSI-CS\_005E.pdf?\_\_blob=publicationFile&v=6

#### Impacts



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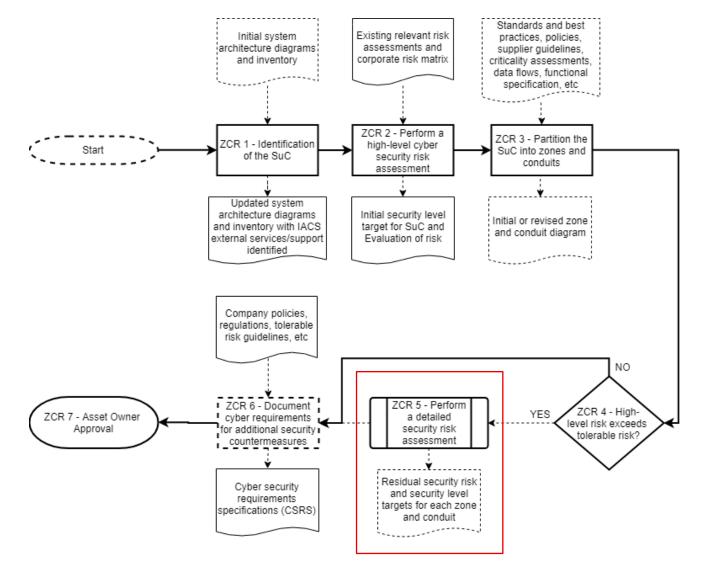
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3	Critical	severely injured			Write access to: - Historian data		<ul> <li>- 5% deviation from the specified guideline value over 2h</li> </ul>
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## Zoning Process According To IEC 62443-3-2

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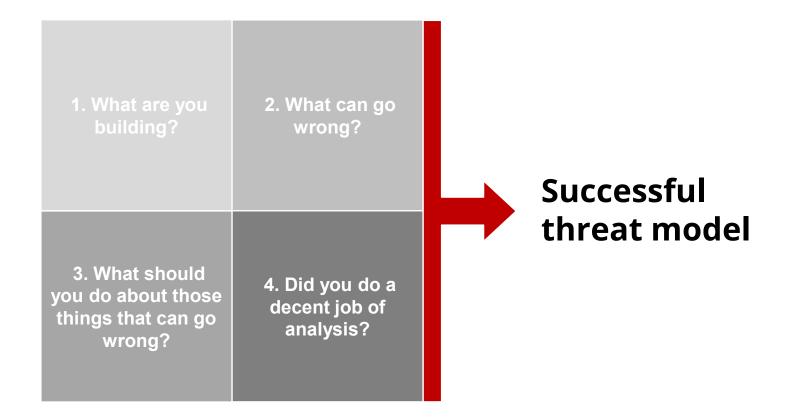


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## **Components Of A Threat Modeling Process**



• You begin threat modeling by focusing on four key questions:



## IEC 62443-4-1 Threat Model Requirements



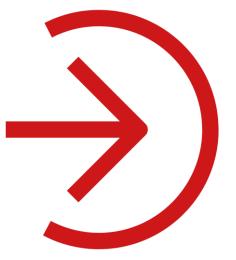
"Ensure that all products shall have a threat model specific to the current development scope of the product with the following characteristics." – 6.3.1 SR-2 Threat model requirements

- Correct flow of categorized information throughout the system;
- Trust boundaries;
- Processes;
- Data stores;
- Interacting external entities;
- Internal and external communication protocols implemented in the product;
- Externally accessible physical ports including debug ports;
- Circuit board connections such as JTAG connections or debug

- Headers which might be used to attack the hardware;
- Potential attack vectors including attacks on the hardware, if applicable;
- Potential threats and their severity as defined by a vulnerability scoring system
- Mitigations and/or dispositions for each threat;
- Security-related issues identified; and
- External dependencies in the form of drivers or thirdparty applications that are linked into the application.



# The Limes Security Way to do a Threat & Risk Assessment



## Assumptions (i.e. Security Context)



Define the System under Consideration (SUC) and document applicable assumptions

- Finding answers to questions such as:
  - What is the intended use of the product?
  - Who are the users/operators of the product?
  - What does the operational environment look like?
  - What potential mitigating measures already exist?
  - What could be reasonably asked from customers to provide?
  - What is the foreseeable product life expectancy?
  - Can the physical/logical access be restricted?

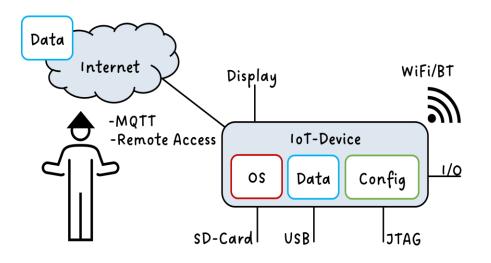
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### **Interfaces & Assets**



Document all interfaces and assets of the system, to get an idea, where attacks are possible and what the goals could be.

- Interfaces (e.g. TCP ports, USB, JTAG, SWD, I/Os...)
  - What are attacks possible through?
  - What protocols are used?
  - Where is a trust boundary crossed?
  - What data is transferred?
- Assets (e.g. passwords, logic, data,...)
  - What are the possible targets of an attack?
  - What is worth protecting?
  - What is essential for functionality?



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	the exploitability of the misused vulnerability										
		Exposure	Exploitability								
4	High	General: large group of people, Purdue Level: >= 4 Logical Access: Internet accessible, large Intranet Physical Access: public environment, can be acquired by security researchers		Easy	<ul> <li>basically no knowledge necessary (e.g. usage of default password)</li> <li>normal usage of the system</li> <li>IEC 62443 SL1 attacker</li> </ul>						
3	Medium- High	General: limited, but still large group, Purdue Level: 3, 3.5 Logical Access: extranet, medium intranet Physical Access: visitor areas with limited surveillance like conference room	3	Mediocre	<ul> <li>can be accomplished with available tools</li> <li>requires basic IT or domain knowledge (e.g. brute forcing of weak passwords)</li> <li>exploiting known vulnerabilities of unpatched systems</li> <li>IEC 62443 SL2 attacker</li> </ul>						
2	Medium- Low	<b>General:</b> smaller limited group, loosely controlled, Purdue Level: 1 & 2 Logical Access: Accessible from fieldbus Physical Access: placed in areas with controlled access that is limited to the necessary people and only permanently guarded visitor access	2	Difficult	<ul> <li>requires development or strong adaption of tools</li> <li>requires high IT or domain knowledge (e.g. compiling of own tools)</li> <li>IEC 62443 SL3 attacker</li> </ul>						
1	Low	General: very limited, well controlled group of users, Purdue Level: 0 Logical Access: Only accessible by very limited group of people via additional access control, e.g. VPN into DMZ Physical Access: secured cabinets with strongly limited access	1	Extremely Difficult	<ul> <li>requires exceptional technical expertise</li> <li>internal knowledge that is only available to a few persons (e.g. requires reverse engineering of a protected binary)</li> <li>IEC 62443 SL4 attacker</li> </ul>						

#### The probability of a threat occurring is made up of:

- the exposure of the affected component
- the exploitability of the misused vulnerability

## Probability



#### Threats

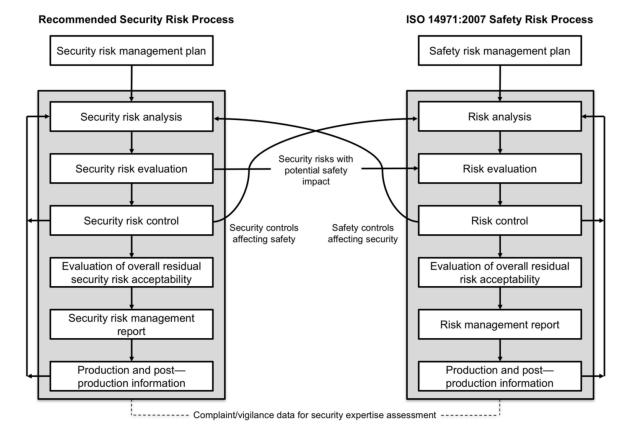


	ID	Who?	Does what?	Affected interface		Impact	Impact Rating	Exposure Description	Exposure Rating	Exploitability Description	Expl. Rating	Likelihood Rating	Risk Rating	Countermeasure-Ideas
1	L.	Attacker		SSH Remote	that leads to	write access to the historian	3	Accessible from the Intranet	4	Linux commands can be used on the system to change the data. Structure of the data must be understood to make meaningful manipulations.	2	3	3	- MFA - Password Policies - Restriction User Permissions
Ž	2	Attacker	is able to install a manipulated firmware image, disabling safety checks	USB-Interface PLC	that leads to	manipulations of configuration data and set-points, resulting in damages to the machine	4	Accessible at machine	2	Knowledge required regarding firmware structure, reverse engineering, internal knowledge on how to manipulate set- points	1	1	2	- Secure Boot (verify authenticity and integrity of firmware image when booting) - Secure Update (install only signed firmware images)

## Safety & Security: Risk Management



 There can be positive and negative side effects in both directions!



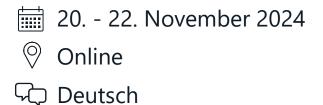
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#### LIMES SECURITY

#### SICHERE PRODUKTENTWICKLUNG FÜR OT UND (I)IOT

Produkte konform zu Cyber Resilience Act, Maschinenverordnung, IEC 62443-4-1 und Co. entwickeln



Überblick zu Security Normen und Regularien gewinnen

Rahmenbedingungen für sichere Produktentwicklung schaffen

Security in den Produktentwicklungsprozess integrieren



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## Viel Erfolg bei der Umsetzung!



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