

The Vulnerability Equities Process: Balancing Diverse Missions in Cyberspace

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The US Government has diverse missions in cyberspace, including cybersecurity, intelligence collection, military operations, and law enforcement. Many of these missions are affected by 0-day vulnerabilities. How should we, as a government, balance the equities of supporting each of these mission areas? In this talk, we will examine the underlying concerns that drove the creation of the US Vulnerability Equities Process, the operation of the process today, and the challenges we face for the future.

-- Students are encouraged to attend. --

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