Intigriti partners with Shield to empower security within healthcare

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Intigriti, a global crowdsourced security provider, is delighted to announce its latest partnership with non-profit Shield vzw within the framework agreement with the Federal Public Service (FPS) Health in Belgium. This partnership provides essential support and services on vulnerability disclosure programs for critical national infrastructure (CNI) organisations such as hospitals, that now need to comply with NIS2.

Who is Shield?

Since its launch in 2024, Shield's mission is to enhance the security maturity in the healthcare and education sectors. By creating a community within these sectors and investing in establishing sustainable partnerships with vendors for different security solutions, Shield strives to tackle the security challenges we face as a society.

Why have Shield and Intigriti partnered?

"The partnership with Intigriti provides a vital cornerstone to our members' security posture. Aside from being recognised best practice, vulnerability disclosure is also now mandatory for NIS2. Intigriti can now work closely with our members to alleviate the increased burden of NIS2 compliance paperwork while allowing members to focus on addressing the most important, verified vulnerabilities quickly," said Wendy Roodhooft, Security Architect, Shield.

Modern agile software development and continuous deployment have improved efficiency in healthcare but pose challenges to traditional security testing. As the digital attack surface continues to expand, cybercriminals increasingly target sensitive patient data, which threatens safety, finances, and trust. To stay ahead of evolving threats, healthcare organizations are investing in innovative approaches like crowdsourced security and vulnerability disclosure and bug bounty programs to enhance protection and resilience as well as comply with NIS2.

Intigriti connects a global community of ethical hackers with customers to simulate the real-world tactics of threat actors to uncover vulnerabilities and blind spots across industries. By collaborating with ethical hackers, security teams, developers, and IT staff in healthcare organizations and education institutions can quickly identify and patch vulnerabilities, strengthening overall cybersecurity and protecting sensitive patient data.

"Intigriti is a committed partner in the Shield community, actively supporting its growth, collaboration, and continuous security improvement. Beyond providing a scalable crowdsourced security platform, we work closely with Shield members to foster engagement, knowledge sharing, and operational excellence. We believe that strong partnerships are the foundation of a mature security journey that will support the

Shield community and associated healthcare and education organizations to deliver continuous, proactive security testing in order to identify and address vulnerabilities before they can be exploited."– Stijn Jans, CEO, Intigriti

"Together with The Security Factory, we're combining forces to offer Shield unparalleled access to agile penetration testing, ethical hacking services, and on-prem expertise. We're looking forward to this collaboration and the value it will bring to the Shield community. Let's make security smarter, stronger, and more collaborative!"- Guus van Delft, Sr. Sales Director, Intigriti

Benefits of the partnership:

- A secure and managed bug bounty platform for ongoing security testing and system evaluation.
- Crowdsourced testing by vetted ethical hackers.
- Classification of assets by criticality for targeted bounty programs.
- Seamless and secure reporting, validation, and communication between hackers and organizations.
- Sector-wide collaboration while maintaining member autonomy.
- Supports NIS2 compliance and other cybersecurity regulations.

What this means for the Shield community:

- **Strategic collaboration:** Intigriti aligns closely with Shield to optimize security testing strategies, ensure researcher engagement, and evolve program objectives based on community needs.
- **Operational enablement:** Intigriti's team assists in setting up, managing, and optimizing responsible vulnerability disclosure and bug bounty programs to maximize impact for Shield members.
- **Community-driven approach:** Access to and collaboration with Intigriti's global network of security researchers.
- **Knowledge sharing and insights:** Intigriti offers crowd security insights and best practices to support informed decision-making. Sharing key crowd security trends, insights, and best practices to keep members informed.

For more information, contact the team here.

Intigriti is part of The Shield Experience, an event to share the mission of Shield with its members on Tuesday, November 4th.

About Shield

Shield vzw aims to develop a joint entity, open to other players in the higher education field and healthcare sector, for the development and support of a reference architecture in the IT Infrastructure and cyber domain. Shield vzw will also house a purchasing centre where the architectural elements will be tendered and implementation partners will be selected. Shield vzw aims to develop dynamic communities around its solutions for sharing knowledge, expertise, and resources.

About Intigriti

Intigriti is the trusted leader in crowdsourced security. Since 2016, the company has empowered the world's largest organizations to proactively identify and address vulnerabilities before they're exploited by cybercriminals. Harnessing the expertise of our 125,000+ researchers, businesses can detect vulnerabilities as soon as they surface, avoiding the costly damage of security breaches. Through our meticulous triaging process, commitment to legal compliance, and unparalleled customer service, we deliver the utmost reliability for our customers. Intigriti is proud to help industry leaders such as Coca-Cola, Microsoft, and Intel safeguard their digital assets and thrive in an ever-evolving threat landscape.

Intigriti is a founding member of the Hacking Policy Council, supporting the Council's mission to make technology safer and more transparent by facilitating best practices for vulnerability disclosure and management, as well as empowering good faith security research, penetration testing, and independent repair for security.

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