Project Status Health-Quality Criteria Report

Overall Status: ON-Track

Project Name: OWASP Mantra - Security Framework
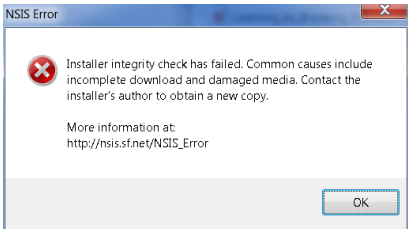
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Status Code Legend

- Healthy
- Warning signs
- High Risk issues: At risk, with a high risk of going off track
- Off Track: Potential problematic issues

Does the project meet the health and quality criteria? **NO.**	• It has 1038 downloads per week (average) • Supports different OS (Windows, Linux, Mac) • Latest release http://www.getmantra.com/forums/Thread-OWASP-Mantra-Security-Toolkit-0-92-beta-Janus • Information on the wiki page is updated • Nice external website: http://www.getmantra.com/owasp-mantra.html • Has an email list: https://lists.owasp.org/mailman/listinfo/owasp-mantra • Extensive user guide, tutorials and videos and presentation • Has a friendly license (http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/ Creative Commons Attribution-Share Alike 3.0 license)

Issues:	• Lacks a roadmap
	  • Project does not have an Open Source repository (not found)
	  • Project leaders do not seem active (latest news from 2011: http://www.computerweekly.com/blogs/open-source-insider/2011/10/free-software-testing-on-usb-for-students-to-web-developers-with-mantra.html)
	  • Tried installation of Windows Mantra on Windows 7 and it failed

• Torrent OWASP Mantra Janus.exe dates from 5 years ago: http://burnbit.com/torrent/233648/OWASP_Mantra_Janus_exe

● mantra for Chromium dates from 2 years ago

Project Abstract Status

Project has outdated executables dating from 5 years ago, and others from 2 years ago. Also, it does not contain any links to an open repository. The executable for windows fails to install. Given this information, we cannot consider this project a LAB. Project leaders must give us feedback to clarify this information.

Feedback 8ᵗʰ August 2013

On July 18 we received a very detailed email from the project leader, clarifying the information from Mantra Framework:

Project does not have an Open Source repository (not found)

We provided a link to the source code zip file on the OWASP Mantra download page. However, this link is not provided on GetMantra.com website as many users got confused from this in the past. Source code for each version of the product is available from our Sourceforge and Google Code download pages too.

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We are active. We head to various conferences in India including ClubHACK, Ground Zero Security Summit, Nullcon and c0c0n. You can see that OWASP Mantra and OWASP Bricks are supporting partners of an upcoming security/hacking conference in India - c0c0n 2014. Our logos are listed towards the bottom of home page. All three of us (Me, Yash and Gokul) are infosec consultants. We promote Mantra and OWASP is in general in many of our talks/trainings/workshops etc.

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Sad to hear that. Can you please try downloading the installer once more. I personally use it in my Windows 8.1 laptop and Windows 7 work computer without any issues.

Torrent OWASP Mantra Janus.exe dates from 5 years ago

It is some sort of an error from Burnbit. OWASP Mantra Janus got released in January 2013 - http://sourceforge.net/projects/getmantra/files/Mantra%20Security%20Toolkit/. Our project itself is just 3 and half years old. The SHA-1 check sum of files on our download repository and the torrents are matching. (For example: https://code.google.com/p/getmantra/downloads/detail?name=OWASP%20Mantra%20Janus.exe&can=1&q= and http://burnbit.com/torrent/233648/OWASP_Mantra_Janus_exe)

Mantra for Chromium dates from 2 years ago

Mantra for Chromium is an experimental project. Chormium has a very fast release cycle, so we are still discussing and working out to finalize a release model which can be fruitful for us and for the users.

Conclusions and recommendations

After the feedback provided by project leader Abhi Balakrishnan, we could indeed confirm the information provided by him. Right now much of the information provided on the project website and wiki seems to be outdated. We strongly advise the project leaders to update their information, whether it's a mistake (a file in sourcefource that seems 5 years old), a link to the latest release that works properly or the latest news activities on the wiki page. Please keep in mind this information is a portal to potential users and reviews; therefore updating this information is essential. The project will keep its LAB status and next review will be on October 2014. We hope the project leaders have time to update this information.

I was able to install the latest release for Windows without errors. The file provided on the on the Google code repo installs without issues