Project Handbook

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Overview

null Projects are driven by volunteers, and they are open to everyone. This means that anyone can lead a project, contribute to a project and anyone can use a project.

This handbook is meant to be the primary reference for null Project Leaders, and it should serve as a useful starting point for anyone that wishes to start their own project within null Projects umbrella.

Project Requirements

Starting a null project is a very easy process. You simply have to send an email to pankaj@null.co.in or san@null.co.in and must CC void@null.co.in to start your project and work on it under the null Projects umbrella.

Projects and their leaders are expected to know and follow null Project policies and guidelines and are expected to uphold the null core values such as Openness, Innovation and Integrity etc.,

Project Leader with an idea only needs to send a project name/title, a project description inside the email to initiate the process. Ensure your email subject contains "null Projects umbrella | <Project Title>".

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Project Leader Expectations

All null Project Leaders are expected to abide by null core values –

- Openness
- Not-for-Profit
- Not driven by commercial Interest

All Project Leaders should treat everyone within and outside the null community with respect, and this includes board members and volunteers. Leaders should work towards collaborating in a professional manner with all involved in the face of conflict. Please remember we are all here to make the world a better place by engaging information security community and general public at all levels of maturity and experience.

Project leaders should not force any project member/volunteer to meet any project deadline. null community is driven by volunteers, and we must all respect each other's contributions, time and opinions even if we disagree.

Project Lifecycle

Project Lifecycle is critical for delivering a successful project. In the multiple stages of project development, you come up with idea for a project, define its goals, plan for its execution, and guide it to a completion.

The null Project Lifecycle is broken into the following stages -

1. Initiation
2. Planning
3. Execution
4. Closure
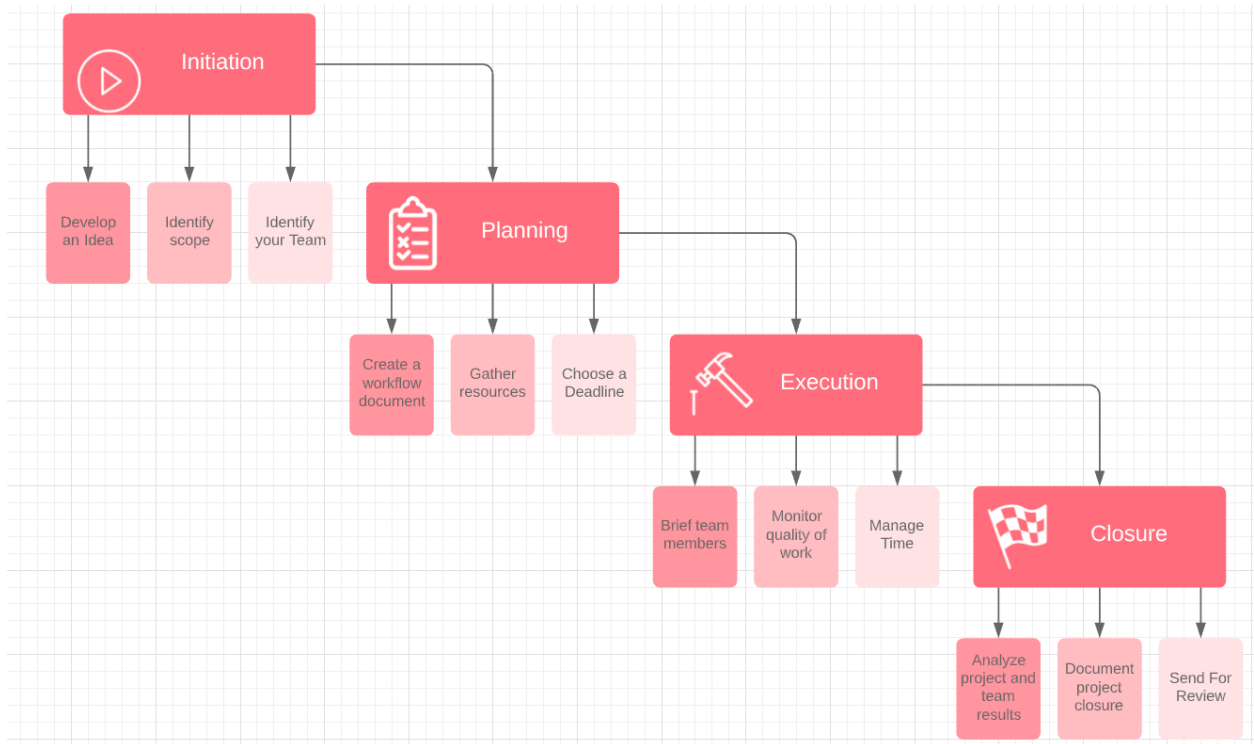
Hosting & Exposure

null will provide projects with the hosting space on GitHub to allow project members to collaborate from anywhere and do version controlling. null being one of the largest open security community, projects will get exposure to a larger community.

Project Reviews

Project reviews are not mandatory, but they are necessary for a Project to be published and announced publicly. Projects can be reviewed when a Project has successfully completed all the phases of the Project Lifecycle. The goal of a review is to establish a minimal baseline of project characteristics and product quality.

Project Leaders can send an email to the null Project Management team for a project review to assess the quality of their project, and to get general professional feedback form the null community.