CC in the Cloud (CCitC) Technical Community – Weekly Meeting Minutes

7:45 AM PST 2023-12-20

Call to Order: 0802
Meeting Lead: Joshua BRICKMAN
Attendees: 16
Member Count: 73
Next Meeting: Wednesday January 3rd, 2024

Highlights:

- Voting period for the updated Terms of Reference will conclude at 1900 (7:00pm) Eastern time tonight. All votes must be submitted before this time.
- ToR voting results will be posted to GitHub.
- Meeting next week is cancelled due to the holidays. Regular meetings will resume on Wednesday January 3rd 2024.

Old Business:

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New Business:

- Discussion on process for closing down the voting period for the ToR.
    o Discussion on options for locking down GitHub access for members only, and future individuals will need to request access and be a verified member of the Cloud-TC before accessing some materials.
- Continued working on Issue cleanup from last week.
    o Reviewed Issue #116 "*Trusted Platform and TOE platform*"
        ▪ Tom G added a comment regarding a concern that any SFRs where "invoke platform-provided functionality" is selected would need to be met by the TOE platform which would mean that the CSP environment would be unable to satisfy any platform requirements even if it's capable of doing so.
        ▪ Discussion on the distinction between the TOE platform and Trusted Platform and whether there is a difference between a cloud environment and on-prem in this case.
        ▪ Reviewed the current diagrams within the guidance document to understand the relationships between TOE, TOE Platform, and Trusted Platform.
        ▪ Garrett N raised a point on the MDM PP language regarding 'TOE platform' but no mention of 'Trusted platform'. Some SFRs allow the selection of "invoke platform-provided functionality" so it must be assumed that it refers to the TOE platform. However, depending on the TOE, the delineation of where TOE and TOE platform end and the Trusted platform begins, will largely depend on the TOE type and its deployment. Suggested additional diagrams to illustrate this concept.

- Discussion around PP authors needing to specify, where "invoke platform-provided functionality" selections can be made, whether this platform can be TOE platform or Trusted platform, with consideration being given to the TOE type and its deployment model.
- Comment made in Issue #116 to update section "*Relationships between TOE, TOE Platform, and Trusted Platform*" of the Guidance document to instruct PP authors to refine selections that invoke platform functionality to consider the TOE Platform or Trusted Platform and how it will be utilized.
  - o Reviewed Issue #117 "*Threats in cloud operating environment*"
    - Additional comment was posted in the issue to request a suggestion of alternative wording from the author of the issue.
  - o Reviewed Issue #118 "*Deployment model*"
    - Additional comment was posted in the issue to request a suggestion of alternative wording from the author of the issue.
  - o Reviewed Issue #119 "*CPU Equivalency*"
    - Looked at CPU Equivalency proposal document from another working group that is addressing a standard for equivalency between NIAP and CMVP programs.
    - Agreeance among members on the call to tag as "Future" for future consideration and to revisit after the first official version of the Guidance document has been released.
  - o Reviewed Issue #123 "*Feedback from Australia*"
    - All editorial suggestions have been incorporated into the Guidance document.
    - Numerous open questions were also identified in the feedback provided by the Australian Scheme. The Cloud-TC will enumerate these questions and form responses to each of them and submit back to the Australian Scheme in January.
  - o Reviewed Issue #127 "*Editorial comments*"
    - Comments acknowledged and will be addressed in next Guidance document updates.
  - o Reviewed Issue #128 "*Cloud Composition wording*"
    - To be continued next meeting.

Questions/Follow-ups:

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End of Meeting – Adjourned 0856 PST