

Stakeholder Briefing

During a controlled security assessment of the VirtualBox lab, our team identified critical vulnerabilities in the FTP and web services on the target system (192.168.56.109). Using safe, repeatable tests, we confirmed these weaknesses could allow unauthorized access if left unaddressed. No sensitive data was accessed; all testing was contained within the lab. We recommend immediate application of vendor patches, restriction of external access to affected services, enforcement of least-privilege account controls, and input validation on web and FTP interfaces. After remediation, please rescan to verify fixes and enable continuous vulnerability scanning and monitoring to detect future issues early. These steps will reduce the risk of exploitation, protect lab assets, and maintain a safe environment for ongoing training. We are available to assist with patching, verification, and follow-up briefings as required.

key Metrics (at-a-glance)

Metric Value

Target IP 192.168.56.109

Severity Critical (FTP RCE + web

weaknesses)

Likelihood of Exploit High (if unpatched)

Business/Lab Impact Moderate → High

Remediation Priority

Immediate

Verification Status Pending (rescan required)

Improvement Points (Actionable)

- Patch management: Apply vendor patches to FTP and web services immediately.
- Access control: Restrict service exposure (use host-only/NAT, firewall rules).
- Least privilege: Limit accounts and remove unnecessary FTP/web users.



- Input validation: Harden web and FTP inputs to block injections.
- Continuous scanning: Schedule automated OpenVAS scans and alerts.
- Monitoring & logging: Centralize logs and enable alerts for abnormal activity.
- Post-remediation validation: Rescan and produce a short verification report.