

Epochalypse 2038: When Time Breaks, Trust Fails TLP:CLEAR

Coordinated action for remediation, resilience, and digital equity

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What's the Problem?

- 32-bit system time runs out in 2038
- Billions of systems risk breakage
- IoT, infra, embedded firmware, PKI



Why It Matters

- Y2K cost \$300–500B — and it worked because we acted
- Now: 100× more connected systems, estimated \$30–50T global remediation market
- Without oversight, unsafe devices may be offloaded onto the Global South
- Estimated to impact between 50-80% of the global industrial base



Why Now?

- Failures are already appearing, supply chains need years
- Timing attacks are real — lab demonstrations show the threat is viable today
- No global coordination exists (yet)



What We're Doing

- Free public tools
- International dialogue
- Advocacy for ethical remediation and time security



Engineers

- Test systems post-2038
- Share bug reports and fixes



Manufacturers

- Test your products now — simulate time rollovers, record failures
- Patch and document — provide updates and disclosure for buyers
- Design for time resilience — use 64-bit time
- Do not offload liability onto the Global South



Policy Makers

- Establishing export compliance frameworks
- Fund open testing



Educators & Advocates

- Train & teach about epoch safety
- Build local remediation capacity



Concerned Citizens

- Test smart devices
- Ask vendors about compliance
- Talk to your community



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