# INFO6003 LAB-06 MBSA, BPA and SCW

## **Preparation**

If you didn't take them last week, take a snapshot, called After Lab-05, of both your W7 and 2008R2 VMs

- We will be using the (W7 or Win 10) and 2008R2 VMs from previous labs. Or optionally use Server2016
  - W7 VM must have both Host Only and NAT adapters
- Use the **Domain Admin** account to logon to the W7 VM

# **MBSA Install (Windows 7 VM)**

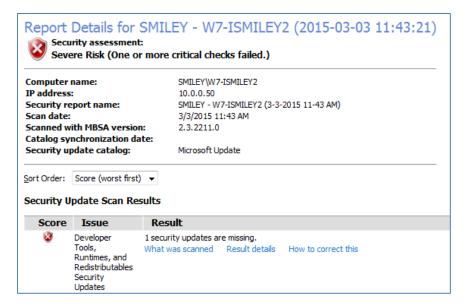
- Download the Microsoft Baseline Security Analyzer version 2.3 to the Windows 7 VM
  - o You can get it from a google search. Download the 32 bit version.
  - o MBSASetup-x86-EN.msi
- Run the MBSA installer using the default options. After the installation completes start MBSA.
  - If you get an error, you probably don't have the 32 bit version, x86

## **MBSA GUI**

- When MBSA starts you receive the following options:
  - Scan a computer
  - Scan multiple computers
  - View existing security scan reports
- Select scan a computer
  - By default the local system should already be listed next to the Computer name field.
  - o You could also enter the IP address of the device.
  - Look at the scanning options available to you in the Learn more about section.
- Leave the default options checked and in addition, select Configure Computers for Microsoft Update and scanning prerequisites
- o This ensures the Windows Update Agent is current and you get a proper scan
- o Ensure that your system's name is listed as the Computer Name and then click **Start Scan.** 
  - You don't need to enter an IP Address
- When the scan starts the tool will connect to Microsoft to get updated security information, after the download is complete, the scan will start automatically. **This will take several minutes**.
  - If this doesn't take a while, you probably have lost connectivity to the internet on your host computer

Slide 1: take a screenshot of the top of the results page. Make sure you include your computer name and some of the Security Update Scan Results

Note: There is a sample screenshot on the following page.



## **Scan Results**

- By default, the worst problem is displayed first in the results. You can change the report listing by changing the Sort Order (top of report).
- Spend some time looking at the issues reported. In practice the report will be different on each computer based on the local security settings and update state.
- o Note some of the security areas summarised:
  - Windows Security Updates
  - Automatic updates
  - Password expirations
  - Windows Firewall
  - File System

## **Questions:**

Note: To answer the following questions you will need to look at the result details for individual results.

• What accounts failed the password expiration check?

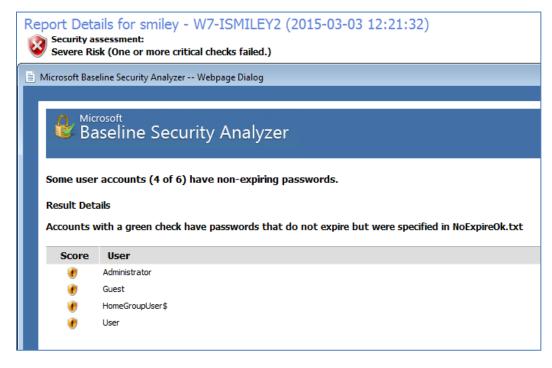
Password All user accounts (6) have non-expiring passwords.

Expiration What was scanned Result details How to correct this

- o Did any accounts pass the password expiration check?
- O What is the status of the windows firewall?
- What is the result of the Local Account Password Test?
- Is autologon set for this system?
- o Is the guest account enabled?
- Are there multiple administrators on this system?
- Are there any potentially unnecessary services running on this system?
- What shares are available on the system?
- When you are done reviewing the report, go to the Windows Security Updates entry and click Result details.
- The Results Detail Windows lists each missing security update.
  - The security updates are listed in numerical order by security bulletin number.

- The ID and Description fields are links to the security bulletins, from these links you can get more information and install the update.
- o If you click through for one of the updates, it will take you to a site that should look familiar
- Scroll through the list to view the severity levels of the updates.
  - The range is from critical to low. (you can find more information about these levels through the link at the bottom of the screen)
- Close the details window and open the results details for Password Expiration
  - If your system is configured correctly, you should have six accounts, all with password expiration errors
  - o Close the windows, then click **How to correct this** to learn how to fix this problem
  - Fix the problem for both User-Admin and User-Limited
    - Hint: you are trying to manage the users on your computer
- Once you have fixed the problem fixed click OK to close the report window
- Because we don't need the NAT network anymore, shut your VM down and configure your NAT network so that it doesn't connect at power on (uncheck the box)
- Power the Windows 7 VM back up and logon as the domain admin
- Open MBSA
  - MBSA can also scan an entire network, a range of IP addresses, or an entire domain Choose to scan multiple computers from the main window.
  - o Enter your domain name (you can find this with net config workstation if you forgot it)
  - o To save time, only check for Windows Administrative Vulnerabilities and Weak Passwords
  - Start the scan. This should be quick, and should find two computers.
  - o Open the W7 scan and open the results details window for Password Expiration

#### Slide 2: take a screenshot showing all the information you can see below

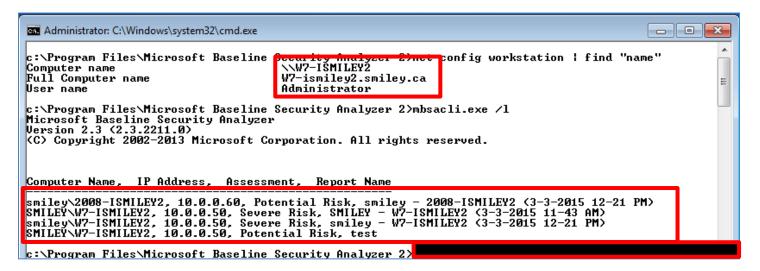


Close MBSA.

## **MBSA Command Line Tool**

- With the command line tool, scan results are output to the screen and can be stored as a text file.
  - These text files could be amalgamated and used in a security audit, proving to the auditor the security level of your systems
- Open a command line shell and navigate to the directory with mbsacli.exe
  - Hint: MBSA is an installed program (you can also use search from My Computer to find it)
- Because the directory path is so long the output of our commands will scroll over onto the next line making it difficult to read
- To change this, right click on the title bar for your command prompt and edit the properties
  - Under layout, change the 2 100 entries to 120, the Windows Height to 40 and select OK
  - o You may need to double click on the title bar to get the change to take effect.
- To see a list of command line options type mbsacli.exe /?
  - Note the numerous options and example commands.
  - Find the options to limit the type of scans performed, to scan a computer by its IP and to specify an output filename (you will use these below)
- Build the command that will scan the local computer (W7) with the following options: (You are building a single command with 3 options and 3 arguments)
  - IP of Windows 7 VM
  - Only scan for OS and Password problems, not IIS, SQL, or Updates
  - Output to an XML file called test.mbsa
    - The scan should be pretty fast
    - Scroll through the information provided by mbsa
- To see a list of existing security scan reports type mbsacli.exe /l

Slide 3: show the output of the net config workstation command (only showing lines with name), the mbsacli /l command and the command you used to perform your scan (use the up arrow to find this)

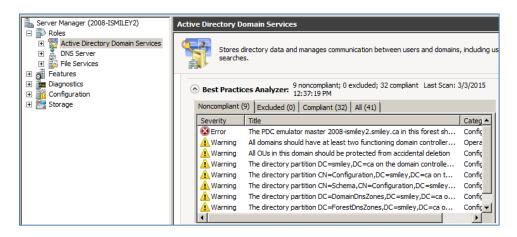


Note: It must show Server 2008 and Windows 7.

# **Best Practice Analyzer (Server 2008 R2 VM)**

- Ignore the Windows is not genuine error if you get one
- If it isn't already open, open Server Manager and navigate to the Active Directory Domain Services Role
- Find and run the best practice analyzer for this role

#### Slide 4: show the results of the scan, make sure you include your computer name

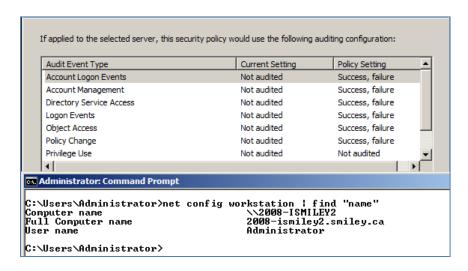


## **Security Configuration Wizard**

- Under Administrative Tools, open the Security Configuration Wizard
  - Choose to create a new security policy
  - Use your server as the baseline server
  - You can view the current settings in the configuration database
    - You will need to accept the ActiveX dialog
- Role Based Service Configuration (you won't be changing these settings)
  - You can choose to analyze Installed Roles, All Roles, or Uninstalled Roles or a Selection of Roles
  - We will analyze the installed roles
  - For each of the following dialogs you have similar choices for: features, options and additional services
  - We will accept the defaults, in production you would tailor this to you security policies
  - You can set how SCM will deal with services that aren't part of the policy
    - Accept the default
  - The next screen shows you the changes your current settings will trigger (accept them)
- Network Security (you won't be changing these settings)
  - Accept the defaults. These settings will affect your firewall rules.
- Registry Settings (you won't be changing these settings)
  - In Windows you can enable different security settings depending on how current your environment is. The next couple screens deal with letting SCW know what kind of an environment you have
  - Accept the defaults
  - The Registry Settings Summary page lets you see the changes SCW is going to make

- Audit Policy (you are making a change in this section)
  - This section controls the type of auditing that will be done
  - Set it to audit successful and unsuccessful activities

## Slide 5: show the audit policy summary, include net config workstation lines with "name'



Save your policy in the default folder as INFO6003 and choose to apply it later

## Convert The Policy to a GPO

- Open a command shell and navigate to the C:\Windows\security\msscw\Policies\ directory
- Use the scwcmd transform /? command to see how this command works
- Build the command to convert your INFO6003.xml Policy to a INFO6003 GPO
  - Make sure it runs successfully
- Open the Group Policy Management Console and display the settings for the INFO6003 GPO you just created (show all)

### Slide 6: show your domain, the INFO6003 GPO and the audit policy settings

