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[SYSS-2020-030]: Jira module "Gantt-Chart for Jira" - Cross-Site Scripting (CWE-79) (CVE-2020-15944)

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Advisory ID: SYSS-2020-030
Product: Jira module "Gantt-Chart for Jira"
Manufacturer: Frank Polschke - Solutions & IT-Consulting
Affected Version(s): <=5.5.4
Tested Version(s): 5.5.3, 5.5.4
Vulnerability Type: Cross-Site Scripting (CWE-79)
Risk Level: Medium
Solution Status: Fixed
Manufacturer Notification: 2020-07-23
Solution Date: 2020-07-31
Public Disclosure: 2020-08-03
CVE Reference: CVE-2020-15944
Author of Advisory: Sebastian Auwaerter, SySS GmbH

Overview:

Gantt-Chart for Jira is a Jira module for displaying Gantt charts.

The manufacturer describes the product as follows (see [1]):

"High performance Gantt-Chart capable to display multi-projects with 10.000+ issues aggregating them as top-level big picture"

Due to missing validation of user input, the module is vulnerable to a persistent cross-site scripting attack. As described in security advisory SYSS-2020-029 (see [4]), it is also possible to attack other users with this attack vector.

To exploit this vulnerability, an attacker has to be authenticated.

Vulnerability Details:

The vulnerability exists because the names of newly created filters are not properly sanitized by the extension. A simple attack vector like "<script>alert('XSS')</script>" can be chosen as the name of a filter and is then displayed on every load of the vulnerable module.

Proof of Concept (PoC):

This security vulnerability can be reproduced by simply creating a new filter with the "filter name" "<script>alert('XSS')</script>". Whenever the dashboard with the vulnerable module is loaded, the attack vector gets executed.

The following request is sent to the web server:

```
PUT /rest/gantt/1.0/user/properties/<chart_id>?userKey=<your_user_name>
HTTP/1.1
Host: <victim_host>
[...]
```

```
[...]"filters":{{"search":"","<script>alert('XSS')</script>"}[...]
```

```
!!! This filter can not be easily removed via the web interface. !!!
!!! Use with caution. !!!
```

Solution:

Update to software version 5.5.5

Disclosure Timeline:

2020-07-21: Vulnerability discovered
2020-07-23: Vulnerability reported to manufacturer
2020-07-31: Patch released by manufacturer
2020-08-03: Public disclosure of vulnerability

References:

- [1] Product Website for Jira Module "Gantt-Chart"
<https://marketplace.atlassian.com/apps/28997/gantt-chart-for-jira?hosting=cloud&tab=overview>
- [2] SySS Security Advisory SYSS-2020-030
- <https://www.syss.de/fileadmin/dokumente/Publikationen/Advisories/SYSS-2020-030.txt>
- [3] SySS Responsible Disclosure Policy
<https://www.syss.de/en/news/responsible-disclosure-policy/>
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