



# TrustSec

Course Introduction

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CCIE Security

- + ISE GUI
- + Basic wireless concepts

## Course Prerequisites

# Course Overview

- + Module 1 Introduction to TrustSec
- + Module 2 Classification & SGT
- + Module 3 Propagation & SXP
- + Module 4 Enforcement & SGACL
- + Module 5 TrustSec on IOS
- + Module 6 TrustSec on ASA
- + Module 7 TrustSec for Wireless Networks





# Introduction to TrustSec

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# Module Overview

- ▶ Traditional network segmentation
- ▶ Cisco TrustSec
- ▶ TrustSec operations



# Traditional Network Segmentation

- ▶ Traditional access control relies on VLANs & ACLs
  - ▶ VLANs
    - ▶ Context-based allocation
      - ▶ User department/role, device function/type, etc.
    - ▶ Traffic filtering performed at the L3 edge
      - ▶ The more ACEs (sources x destinations x permissions), the more problems
  - ▶ Downloadable ACLs (dACLs)
    - ▶ Ingress enforcement after successful authentication
      - ▶ Single source, but possibly multiple destinations & permissions
      - ▶ May be problematic due to limited TCAM space
- ▶ Not scalable, increased complexity



# Cisco TrustSec

- ▶ Next-generation segmentation for simplified access control
  - ▶ Controls are defined based on roles/context rather than IP addresses
    - ▶ Security Groups
      - ▶ E.g. Contractors, Employees-tablets or PCI-servers
  - ▶ Each Security Group is assigned a tag (label) for identification & filtering
    - ▶ Security Group Tag (SGT)
  - ▶ Filtering policy is defined through Security Group ACLs (SGACLs)
    - ▶ Source SGT, destination SGT, action & protocol
      - ▶ Contractors (10) -> PCI-servers (90) : deny ip log
    - ▶ The policy is scalable, “follows a user” and does not depend on the network topology
- ▶ Domain authentication (NDAC) & encryption (MACsec) is optional

# TrustSec Operations

## ▷ Classification

- ▶ Assignment of a SGT to a session or resource
  - ▶ Usually performed ingress

## ▷ Propagation

- ▶ Distribution of IP-SGT mappings to enforcement points

## ▷ Enforcement

- ▶ Application of configured (downloaded) policies
  - ▶ Usually performed egress

# Campus LAN Use Case

## ▷ Classification

- ▶ User connects to an access-layer switch & authenticates
  - ▶ 802.1x, MAB or WebAuth
- ▶ Authorized session becomes associated with a SGT (ISE)

## ▷ Propagation

- ▶ The SGT is propagated from the access layer up to the DC

## ▷ Enforcement

- ▶ Egress DC switch enforces policy via SGACL downloaded from ISE
  - ▶ Destination servers are SGT-mapped statically



# Classification & SGT

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# Module Overview

- ▶ TrustSec classification
- ▶ SGT



# Security Group Tag (SGT)

- ▶ A 16-bit numerical value representing a Security Group
  - ▶ Session, device or session context
- ▶ SGT Considerations
  - ▶ The “Unknown” SGT corresponds to a numerical tag value 0
    - ▶ Represents untagged traffic
  - ▶ Traffic originated by a network device can be tagged as well
    - ▶ **Work Centers -> TrustSec -> TrustSec Policy -> Network Device Authorization**
- ▶ ISE comes with a bunch of preexisting SGTs

# Classification

- ▶ A process of associating SGTs with sessions or devices
  - ▶ Dynamic or Static
- ▶ Dynamic Classification
  - ▶ A result of 802.1x/MAB/Web authentication (AuthZ Profile)
    - ▶ Users and/or endpoints
  - ▶ Via pxGrid or API calls
- ▶ Static Classification
  - ▶ IP address, subnet, VLAN or Port
    - ▶ IT infrastructure
  - ▶ Performed on ISE and/or NAD

# Static Classification

## ▷ ISE

- ▶ Work Centers -> TrustSec -> Components -> IP SGT Static Mapping

## ▷ IOS/ASA

- ▶ **cts role-based sgt-map**
- ▶ **show cts role-based sgt-map**





# Propagation & SXP

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# Module Overview

- ▶ TrustSec propagation
- ▶ Inline Tagging
- ▶ SXP



# Propagation

- ▶ A process of sharing SGT mappings with enforcement points
  - ▶ Inline (Native) Tagging
  - ▶ SGT Exchange Protocol (SXP)
  - ▶ pxGrid
    - ▶ FTD, WSA or ecosystem vendor product
- ▶ Most deployments combine Inline Tagging with SXP

# Inline Tagging

- ▶ Allows to carry SGT information in modified data frames
  - ▶ On Ethernet, Cisco Meta Data (CMD) header follows Src MAC (or 802.1q) field
    - ▶ EtherType is set to 0x8909
  - ▶ The tag is maintained hop-by-hop allowing to enforce policies at any point
    - ▶ If packet is to be allowed the last-hop device removes the tag
  - ▶ Similar logic is used in supported Virtual Private Network environments
    - ▶ IKEv2 IPsec, DMVPN, GETVPN & VXLAN
  
- ▶ Pros & Cons
  - ▶ No performance degradation
  - ▶ Requires hardware support
    - ▶ TrustSec Platform Capability Matrix

# Configuring Inline Tagging



## + IOS/ASA



+ Enable the manual CTS mode on an interface



+ **cts manual**



+ Configure inline tagging



+ Make sure **propagate sgt** is on



+ **policy static sgt [trusted]**



+ Verify



+ **show cts interface**

# SGT Exchange Protocol (SXP)

- ▶ A Control Plane peering protocol used for SGT mapping propagation
  - ▶ Used for devices with no CTS hardware support
  - ▶ Runs over TCP port 64999
    - ▶ No need for hop-hop peerings
    - ▶ Uses MD5 for authentication & integrity checks (TCP Option 19)
      - ▶ BGP authentication considerations apply for cross-firewall peerings
  - ▶ A SXP peer can act as a Speaker (tx), Listener (rx), or both
  - ▶ Supported on network devices, ISE & OpenDaylight
    - ▶ Centralized peerings with ISE are common
      - ▶ Using a standalone node is recommended

# Configuring SXP

## ▷ IOS/ASA

- ▶ Enable SXP
  - ▶ **cts sxp enable**
- ▶ Create password (optional)
  - ▶ **cts sxp default password**
- ▶ Configure peering
  - ▶ **cts sxp connection peer**
- ▶ Verify
  - ▶ **show cts sxp**

# Configuring SXP

## ▷ ISE

- ▶ Enable SXP on a node
  - ▶ **Administration -> System -> Deployment**
- ▶ Configure SXP settings
  - ▶ **Work Centers -> TrustSec -> Settings -> SXP**
- ▶ Add a peer
  - ▶ **Work Centers -> TrustSec -> SXP -> SXP Devices**





# Enforcement & SGACL

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# Module Overview

- ▶ TrustSec enforcement
- ▶ SGACLs



# Enforcement

- ▶ Cisco TrustSec (CTS) policies can be enforced using two methods
  - ▶ Security Group ACL (SGACL)
    - ▶ Centralized definition (ISE)
    - ▶ Stateless
  - ▶ Security Group Firewall (SGFW)
    - ▶ Supported on ASA, FTD & IOS ZFW
    - ▶ Local tag-based rules
      - ▶ Regular syntax
    - ▶ Stateful

# Security Group ACL (SGACL)

## ▶ Stateless tag-based access control mechanism

- ▶ CTS policy enforcement is represented as a spreadsheet (ISE Matrix View)
  - ▶ Source SGT to Destination SGT
- ▶ Each SGT pair (“cell”) points to SGACL
  - ▶ Action, protocol, port, “log”
    - ▶ E.g. “permit icmp log” or “deny udp dst eq 3389”

## ▶ SGACLs are normally configured on ISE

- ▶ The policy must be downloaded by NADs
- ▶ Local configuration (e.g. ASR 1k) is less common
- ▶ Monitor mode allows to test the deployment without blocking traffic

# Configuring SGACLs

## ▷ ISE

▶ **Work Centers -> TrustSec -> Components -> Security Group ACLs**

## ▷ ASR1k (only for your reference)

▶ **ip access-list role-based**

▶ **cts role-based permissions**



# TrustSec on IOS

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# Module Overview

- ▶ CTS integration
- ▶ Configuration syntax



# IOS CTS Integration



- + CTS policy download requires NAD to enroll with ISE or a peer
  - + Relies on EAP-FAST
    - + Phase 0 distributes a PAC (Protected Access Credential) after authentication
- Catalysts 3750X support automatic PAC provisioning



# TrustSec IOS Configuration

## ▷ Switch

- ▶ Start with regular 802.1x configuration (global)

```
aaa new-model
```

```
aaa authentication dot1x default group radius
```

```
aaa authorization network default group radius
```

```
aaa accounting dot1x default start-stop group radius
```

```
radius server ISE
```

```
address ipv4 10.1.1.100 auth-port 1812 acct-port 1813
```

```
aaa server radius dynamic-author
```

```
client 10.1.1.100 server-key cisco
```

```
radius-server vsa send authentication
```

```
radius-server vsa send accounting
```

```
dot1x system-auth-control
```

# TrustSec IOS Configuration

## ▷ Switch

- ▶ Start with regular 802.1x configuration (interface)

```
interface GigabitEthernet1/0/1
  switchport mode access
  authentication order dot1x mab
  authentication priority dot1x mab
  authentication port-control auto
  authentication host-mode multi-auth
  mab
  dot1x pae authenticator
```

# TrustSec IOS Configuration

## ▷ Switch

- ▶ Configure CTS settings
  - ▶ Specify which server stores the CTS policy
    - ▶ **aaa authorization network *name* group [radius | *gname*]**
    - ▶ **cts authorization list *name***
  - ▶ Configure CTS device-ID & password
    - ▶ **cts credentials id**
  - ▶ Add Radius PAC key
    - ▶ **pac key**
  - ▶ Enforce downloaded policies
    - ▶ **cts role-based enforcement, cts role-based enforcement vlan-list**
  - ▶ Verify
    - ▶ **show cts pac, show cts environment-data, show cts role-based**

# TrustSec IOS Configuration



## + Switch (3750-X)

- + Enable Device Tracking globally AND at the interface level
  - + **ip device tracking** (global), **ip device tracking maximum** (interface)
    - + For the policy to be enforced, entries must exist for sources & destinations



## + ISE

- + Configure TrustSec settings on NADs
  - + **Advanced TrustSec Settings**
- + Other TrustSec configuration, such as SXP, may be needed



## + TrustSec Troubleshooting Guide

- + <https://community.cisco.com/t5/security-documents/trustsec-troubleshooting-guide/ta-p/3647576#toc-hld-1418373399>



# TrustSec on ASA

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# Module Overview

- ▶ CTS integration
- ▶ Configuration syntax



# ASA CTS Integration

- ▷ ASA requires manual PAC provisioning
  - ▶ PAC is generated on ISE and downloaded OOB
    - ▶ **cts import-pac**
- ▷ ASA cannot use or download SGACLs
  - ▶ Only part of environment data is downloaded
    - ▶ SGTs & Security Group names

# TrustSec ASA Configuration

## ▷ ISE

- ▶ Configure TrustSec settings on NADs (**Advanced TrustSec Settings**)

## ▷ ASA

- ▶ Configure ISE server
  - ▶ **aaa-server *name* protocol radius**
  - ▶ **aaa-server *name (interface)* host *ISE\_IP***
    - ▶ **key *password***
- ▶ Import PAC & designate server for CTS
  - ▶ **cts import-pac, cts server-group *name***
  - ▶ Verify with **show cts environment-data sg-table**
- ▶ Configure SXP & security policy





# TrustSec for Wireless Networks

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# Module Overview

- ▶ GUI configuration



# TrustSec WLC Configuration

## ▷ WLC

- ▶ Enable PAC provisioning for the RADIUS server
  - ▶ **Security -> AAA -> RADIUS -> Authentication**
- ▶ Integrate with ISE for CTS
  - ▶ **Security -> TrustSec -> General**
    - ▶ Refresh Env Data
- ▶ Configure WLAN AAA settings
  - ▶ **Advanced -> Allow AAA Override**
  - ▶ **Advanced -> NAC State -> ISE NAC**
- ▶ Verify the CTS policy
  - ▶ **Security -> TrustSec -> Policy**

# TrustSec WLC Configuration

## ▷ WLC

- ▶ SXP Configuration
  - ▶ **Security -> TrustSec -> SXP Config**
  - ▶ FlexConnect Mode
    - ▶ **Wireless -> Access Points -> All APs -> Trusted Security**

## ▷ ISE

- ▶ Configure TrustSec settings on NADs
  - ▶ **Advanced TrustSec Settings**



# TrustSec

Course Conclusion

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## Course Conclusion

- + Traditional network segmentation might not be scalable
- + Classification associates a SGT with a resource
- + Propagation distributes IP-SGT mappings to policy nodes
- + Enforcement is typically performed with the aid of SGACLs
- + Implementation details depend on the underlying platform

**Thank You**

