TTKS0700 Data Security Testing

Lab 04. Configurations

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System configurations

- GOAL
 - To understand basics of the CONFIGURATIONS audits / checklists
- In this document
 - RED color = TASK
 - BLUE color = TIP
 - Green color = Example



Audit system configurations

- System hardening guidelines
- Benchmarks
- Best practices



CIS BENCHMARK

- "CIS Controls and CIS Benchmarks are global industry best practices endorsed by leading IT security vendors and governing bodies."
- Proven guidelines will enable you to safeguard operating systems, software and networks that are most vulnerable to cyber attacks.
- They are continuously verified by a volunteer IT community to combat evolving cybersecurity challenges.
- 100+ configuration guidelines for various technology groups to safeguard systems against today's evolving cyber threats.
- Source: https://www.cisecurity.org/cybersecurity-best-practices/



CIS BENCHMARK

Desktop Software

Operating Systems

Multi Function Print Dev...

Server Software

Network Devices

Mobile Devices

Cloud Providers

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CIS BENCHMARK

- There is also commercial tool to check compliance (CIS-CAT-PRO)
- Free CIS-CAT-LITE version supports very limited amount of operating systems

- https://www.cisecurity.org/cybersecurity-tools/cis-cat-pro/
- https://learn.cisecurity.org/cis-cat-landing-page
 - Use school email or <u>www.10minutemail.com</u> (or similar)



Vendor Best Practises

Some examples of vendor based best practices and hardening guidelines

- https://wiki.centos.org/HowTos/OS Protection
- https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download/details.aspx?id=53353



Task 1.

- Find suitable CIS Benchmarks for Windows and Linux versions in target environment (registration is needed for downloads).
- Select one area (second level header 1.1, 1.2, 2.1 etc.) from each guide and check the configurations
 - Notice that there are LEVEL-1 and LEVEL-2 –settings. Find out what these LEVELS mean.



Task 2.

Audit pfsense –firewall RULES using following checklist
 https://www.sans.org/media/score/checklists/FirewallChecklist.pdf
 (Select applicable parts from the checklist)



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