# ./ persistence-info.github.io



# WER Debugger

#### Location:

HKLM\Software\Microsoft\Windows\Windows Error Reporting\Hangs

#### Classification:

Criteria	Value
Permissions	Admin
Security context	User; System <sup>1</sup>
Persistence type	Registry
Code type	EXE
Launch type	Other
Impact	Non-destructive <sup>2</sup>
OS Version	All OS versions
Dependencies	OS only
Toolset	Scriptable

# Description:

when applications hang, the Windows Error Reporting framework allows us to attach a
debugger, if it is set up in the Registry. The actual key is present in this
location: HKLM\Software\Microsoft\Windows\Windows Error Reporting\Hangs\ Debugger =
<executable>

Relies on crashing applications, which may be not good enough for a real persistence. But it is Windows, something will crash sooner or later for sure.

Breaks the parent-child chain, making it harder to detect.

# References:

https://www.hexacorn.com/blog/2019/09/20/beyond-good-ol-run-key-part-116/

# Credits:

# @Hexacorn

### See also:

# Remarks:

- 1. Depends on the crashing process? <u>←</u>
- 2. The original debugger will not start <u>←</u>