Trend Micro to Host Second Annual Capture the Flag Competition to Test Knowledge of Targeted Attacks, IoT and SCADA

DALLAS--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Trend Micro Incorporated (TYO: 4704; TSE: 4704), a global leader in security software and solutions, today announced it will host its second annual Capture the Flag (CTF) cybersecurity competition for engineers. Following the company's successful, first-ever CTF for the security community in the Asia Pacific region, the 2016 event will be hosted for engineers worldwide.

Trend Micro CTF 2016 will test players' technical knowledge in various categories, such as targeted attacks, Internet of Things (IoT), Industrial Control Systems (ICS) and Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA), which are all becoming increasingly important in the cybersecurity space1. The competition comprises an online qualifying event and finals held in Tokyo, Japan.

"Trend Micro aims to create a world safe for exchanging digital information, and expert events, such as this, are one way we work toward this goal," said Eva Chen, CEO for Trend Micro. "Challenging engineers from across the globe to stretch their cybersecurity knowledge in these specific, relevant areas will help bolster the security community as a whole."

The online qualifier will be played in a "Jeopardy" format in which players will compete by solving challenges in various categories. The top ten teams from the online qualifier will advance to compete in the final, which will be played in an "attack and defense" format. The final winning team will be awarded JPY1,000,000 (approximately US$9,800), plus Zero Day Initiative Rewards Program2 points.

Trend Micro CTF 2016 Online Qualifier

- Dates: July 30-31, 2016 (Game starts at 13:00 (JST, 4:00 UTC), July 30, 2016)
- Requirements: Participants must be at least 20 years old
- Format: Jeopardy
- Venue: Online
- Team registration: July 5, 2016 (JST)

Trend Micro CTF 2016 Final

- Dates: November 19-20, 2016 (JST)
- Requirements: The top ten teams from the online event will qualify. Each team may have a maximum of four players.
- Format: Attack and Defense (additional details to be announced following online qualifier)
- Venue: Shinjuku NS Building, Tokyo, Japan

Prizes:

- First Place Team:
  - JPY1,000,000 (approximately US$9,800) per team
  - 15,000 Zero Day Initiative Rewards Program points per player (these points result in eligibility for benefits, including a one-time bonus of US$2,000)
- Second Place Team:
  - JPY300,000 (approximately US$3,000) per team
- Third Place Team:
  - JPY200,000 (approximately US$2,000) per team

To register for the online qualifier, please visit:http://www.go-tm.jp/ctf2016_en.
For more information about the event, please visit: http://www.go-tm.jp/ctf2016_en.

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1 Challenges for network and system security and hot topics

1 Challenge format and categories may be subject to change.
2 For details on Zero Day Initiative Rewards Program, please see http://zerodayinitiative.com/about/benefits/.

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