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In order to promote the development of national cyber security emergency response networks, PwC Vietnam is collaborating with the Vietnam Computer Emergency Response Teams to strengthen training activities and raise the capabilities for timely response to information security incidents in Vietnamese organisations.



*The partnership will promote the development of national cybersecurity emergency response networks*

PwC Vietnam and the Vietnam Computer Emergency Response Teams (VNCERT) have entered into a strategic partnership in cyber security incident response during 2018-2020. Today, the two parties signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) to officialise this partnership.

As cyber-attacks grow more complex and sophisticated, it has become a strategic requirement for all organisations to equip themselves with the necessary talent, processes, and technology to resolve and respond to cyber security incidents.

Cyber security incident response can be considered the last line of defence in the IT system, aimed at minimising the damage to the organisation should attacks happen.

Incident response is crucial to ensuring information security and requires collaboration and information sharing between many organisations and enterprises.

Speaking at the signing ceremony, VNCERT's director Nguyen Trong Duong said: "Vietnam now has a nationwide network for cyber security emergency response, and as the national co-ordinator,

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VNCERT expects all organisations to join hands in promoting incident response activities and ensuring network security. Our co-operation with such a prestigious and professional firm as PwC Vietnam will be one of the first steps towards forging a network of incident response that involves all organisations, with an aim to safeguard information security in Vietnam.”

Robert Trong Tran, Cyber Security and Privacy leader at PwC Vietnam, emphasised: “Based on the international experience and local knowhow of our expert team, we are committed to helping Vietnamese organisations build up professional, timely, and effective incident response capabilities that follow international practices.”

According to the MoU, PwC Vietnam and VNCERT will co-operate in organising training courses and drills on a regional, national, and international scale; standardising incident response practices; as well as developing the market of information security products and services.

In addition, both parties will co-ordinate in sharing cyber threat intelligence; developing professional working guidelines for problem rescue teams (CSIRT/CERT); establishing criteria for assessing and verifying the professional competence and ethical qualities of personnel involved in CSIRT/CERT.

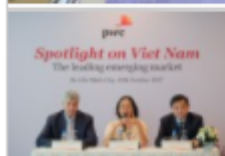
Dinh Thi Quynh Van, general director of PwC Vietnam, said: “The global PwC network is proud to be one of the pioneering professional services firms to offer information security solutions. We have assisted thousands of corporate and governmental clients across the world to respond to cyber incidents and implement information security strategies over many years.”

“With this in mind, we firmly believe that the partnership between PwC Vietnam and VNCERT will produce many practical results and contribute to improving the information security systems of individual organisations and the nation as a whole,” she stated.



## Cybersecurity regulations to cause massive hit to IT firms

Article 34 of Clause 4 in the draft Law on Cybersecurity has not yet received support from foreign firms and local law makers because it will affect firms’ performance as well as Vietnam’s steady march towards a digital economy.



## Vietnam to become next outsourcing hotspot

The latest report by PwC forecasts that outsourcing will be among the top five most attractive sectors for foreign investment in Vietnam.



## PwC beefs up security for rising threat of cybercrime

According to PricewaterhouseCoopers’ 2016 report, around 45 per cent of boards now have a cybersecurity strategy.

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