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| Didactic unit with VET students in OT and IT programmes: <i>Securing a smart factory</i> | | Duration: (HOURS) 100 | EQF LEVEL: 4 |
| Learning outcomes | | | |
| By the end of the activity students will be able to: | | | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Describe PLC architecture and the interactions between PLCs, HMIs, sensors and the supervisory network. (Assessed: written diagram + oral explanation) 2. Perform safe reconnaissance and vulnerability analysis in a controlled OT lab; produce a prioritized pentest report. (Assessed: pentest report) 3. Design and implement monitoring (metrics, logs, dashboards) to detect anomalous behaviour and define actionable alarms. (Assessed: monitoring deliverables + detection tests) 4. Design and implement mitigations (network segmentation, access controls, PLC hardening) and verify effectiveness. (Assessed: mitigation implementation + tests) 5. Apply incident response principles: triage, containment, eradication, and recovery in an OT context. (Assessed: incident playbook + tabletop exercise) 6. Collaborate effectively in international and interdisciplinary teams and communicate technical findings to technical and non-technical stakeholders. (Assessed: peer evaluation + presentation) | | | |
| TOPICS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Components of an industrial plant from the point of view of cybersecurity architecture. The PURDUE model ➤ Pentesting and vulnerabilities identification and monitoring. ➤ Defence and protection of vulnerable / critical industrial infrastructure ➤ Reaction and prevention after an attack | | |
| PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE NECESSARY | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic computer knowledge (network, protocol, firewall) • Basic automation architecture knowledge (PLC, industrial communications) | | |
| STRUCTURE OF THE TRAINING | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the challenge based learning activity. Presentation of the scenarios. • Knowledge pills on IT/OT cybersecurity, PURDUE model, monitoring tools, firewalls • In between theoretical sessions, students have time to work in concrete tasks/assignments included in each of the scenarios given (online or in person) • Presentation of the common results | | |
| ASSESSMENT METHOD | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ex-ante and ex-post evaluation questionnaire | | |



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| Activity A: activity As: Activity wit assessment | Learning Outcome/s addressed | Activity Name | Activity description (Who, what and why) | Resources | Hours |
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| A1 | N/A | Introduction | The trainer will provide an introduction to the challenge based learning activity and each scenario | Challenge based learning scenarios | 2 hours |
| A2 | 1 | Presentation of the monitoring system and the components of the plant (which are the PLCs, which are the sensors and what they do) | The trainer will present the Purdue model using the Cyber-In interactive architecture | Cyber-In architecture, module 1 from Cyber-In MOOC | 3 hours |
| A3 | 1, 6 | Assignment 1 from each scneario | Students work in assignment 1 to fix previous learning | Cyber-In architecture, module 1 from Cyber-In MOOC | 4 hours |
| A4 | 2,3, | Pentesting and vulnerabilities identification and monitoring | The trainer will explain what a pentest is, which kind of vulnerabilities can be found, how to rate them and which tools are available for monitoring | Cyber-In modules 3 and 5. Cyber-In knowledge pill on Zabix | 3 hours |
| A5 | 2,3,6 | Assingment 2 and 3 from each scenario | Students work in assignment 2 and 3 to fix previous learning | Cyber-In modules 3 and 5. Cyber-In knowledge pill on Zabix | 4 hours |
| A6 | 4,5 | Defence and protection | The trainer will explain which are the main protection measures to be used in an industrial environments (cero privledges policy, industrial firewalls, network segmentation) | Cyber-In modules 2 and 3 | 3 hours |
| A7 | 4,5,6 | Assignmants 4-5/6 in each scenario | Students work in assignment 4-6 to fix to fix previous learning | Cyber-In modules 2 and 3 | 5 hours |
| A8 | 1-6 | Attack to a virtualised industrial plant | The teacher/s needs to prepare an attack to a virtualised industrial plant using tools such as Open PLC, Linux-hacking and virtual machines | Cyber-In knowlege pills on Open PLC and Linux hacking. Virtual machines availabel in Cyber-In challenge based activity session | 20 hours |
| A9 | 1-6 | Detection, defence, correction | The students need to identify there has been an attack to the virtualised industrial plant they monitor, they need to act to defence the plant, create a report on what happened and put in place measures to prevent another attack | Cyber-In modules 2 and 3, knowlege pill on Zabix. | 12 hours |



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| A9 | 1-6 | Presentation of challenge results | Students present their solution proposals for each scenario | N/A | 0,5 |
| A10 | 1-5 | Evaluation test | Students fill an evaluation test to assess the knowledge gained about OT cybersecurity | Cyber-IN evaluation test (or any other) | |