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Those Darn Users! 6 Ways to Combat Modern Spear Phishing Attacks Despite Having Uniformed Users

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At security meetups around the globe, security professionals all have a similar lament: “It’s those damn users! If they didn’t click on links or attachments, things would be a lot better!”

While users can often be a hassle for information security teams, they are not going away anytime soon. Even the most sophisticated users may fall victim to modern phishing attacks despite your best efforts to educate them. Does this mean all is lost? No way! Placing blame on the user is a defeatist attitude. There are six things you can be doing TODAY to make it exponentially harder for phishing attacks to succeed, drawn from the experience of offensive security professionals.

Join these offensive-minded security professionals in this session to learn why placing too much blame on your users is creating a defeatist mindset and walk away with six tangible defense methods you can implement today to improve your organization’s security posture and culture.

Biography

Chris Lord is Director of Research and Development for Bit9 + Carbon Black where he leads advancements in threat detection, response and prevention. His research interests are in emergent systems and cybersecurity resiliency. Chris was previously Chief Architect for endpoint security products at Bit9 and has worked across many technologies that underpin today’s systems including survivability, virtualization, fault tolerance, and distributed systems. You can find him on Bit9’s blog, Twitter and in trade publications.