SPACE CYBERSECURITY WEEKLY WATCH

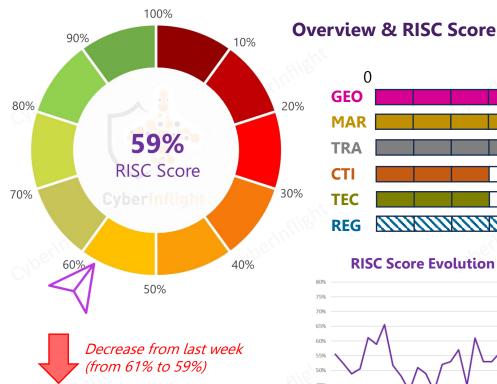
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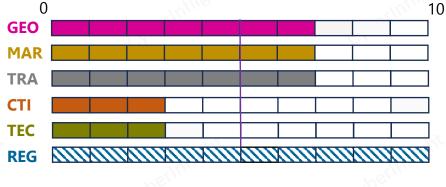
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Timeframe: Weekly # of articles identified: 34 Est. time to read: 55 minutes

Articles, company's communications, whitepapers, academic works, podcast, and sources not to be missed on the topic of space cybersecurity over a specified timeframe.









This W14 shows a little decrease from last week's RISC score (2%). It still manages to be on a higher level than last year same period, following the increasing tendency since W7.

This week's RISC score is 59%. This week, an article was published about Iran's recent launch of three satellites into space, and the geopolitical concerns that resulted. Indeed, with Iranian nuclear and satellite capabilities on the rise, Israel and Western entities should remain watchful for potential indirect attempts to disrupt Israeli and Western equivalents. On the market front, The U.S. Space Force and U.S. Space Command submitted a combined \$2.3 billion in "unfunded requirements" to Congress, with the vast majority of the funds requested for classified programs aimed at space control, space superiority, and space domain awareness. On the Technology front, during Russia's war against Ukraine and its geopolitical confrontation with the West, Moscow has learned not only to circumvent sanctions to procure the necessary technical equipment, but also to produce technological products for the American market jointly. In addition, Iran's recent SLV launches and its purported ability to put multiple satellites into space are troubling for four main reasons. Finally, Iran's electronic warfare systems are actively jamming GPS signals near the Persian Gulf. This suggests potential military activity in the Middle East region and could potentially impact maritime and aviation navigation.





GEOPOLITIC





Satellite cybersecurity, Iran, and the Israel-Hamas war

In light of Iran's recent launch of three satellites into space, geopolitical concerns could increase surroundings in the country's intermittent threats toward the West and Israel amidst the post-October 7 Israel-Hamas war. Indeed, despite Tehran thus far avoiding direct involvement in the war, Iran has loomed via proxies such as Hamas and Yemen's Houthi rebels to intimidate both Israel as well as the U.S. for its support of Israel. With Iranian nuclear and satellite capabilities on the rise, Israel and Western entities should remain watchful for potential indirect attempts to disrupt Israeli and Western equivalents, particularly for communication and surveillance hindrance purposes in the face of Israeli attacks on Iranian military personnel. #Iran #Israel



Link: https://www.geopoliticalmonitor.com/satellite-cybersecurity-iran-and-the-israel-hamas-war/











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Link: https://spacenews.com/space-force-space-command-seek-over-2-billion-for-unfunded-programs-to-counter-anti-satellite-threats/





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TECHNOLOGY



Russian tech company Planar defies sanctions as its American subsidiary supplies US Air Force and NASA

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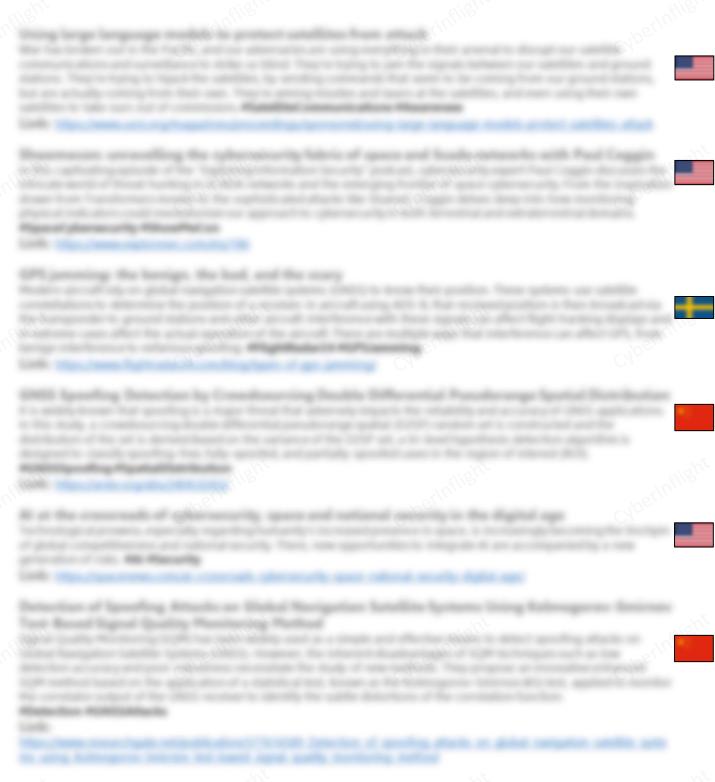
Link: https://informnapalm.org/en/russian-tech-company-planar-defies-sanctions-as-its-american-subsidiary-supplies-us-air-force-and-nasa/





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TRAINING & EDUCATION





Bolster sanctions to stop Iran's growing military space capabilities

Iran has claimed a string of achievements in space in recent months. In February, Russia reportedly assisted Iran with launching a satellite into space from a Russian site. Iran claimed in September that it successfully used a space launch vehicle, or SLV, to place a military satellite in space. Iranian officials then asserted in January that it put multiple satellites into orbit in a single launch for the first time. Iran's recent SLV launches, and its purported ability to put multiple satellites into space, are troubling for four main reasons. #Iran #SpaceCapabilities

Link: https://jinsa.org/bolster-sanctions-to-stop-irans-growing-military-space-capabilities/





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THREAT INTELLIGENCE

