



CARICERT

CARICERT is a Cyber Emergency Response Team consisting of various IT Security Specialists who work together with other CERT organizations, national and international, to solve internet related incidents. CARICERT is also responsible for advising on all issues surrounding the secure provisioning of internet services delivered by the national internet infrastructure.

OUR GOAL

Our goal is to make the internet a safer place for its users. We do so by equipping IT specialists and other computer users with the knowledge they need to use the internet in a safe and responsible way.

CYBER SECURITY

Cyber security means being safe from danger or damage caused by the disruption, failure or abuse of ICT systems by cyber criminals, who use the internet to commit their crimes.



Cyber security is no luxury

The world is rapidly becoming dependent on the internet. We enjoy the endless possibilities of the World Wide Web in our private and professional environments. We use the internet to communicate, to do research, to trade and to work. We are not only connected to the internet on a personal level, but our industries and utilities depend on it, too: Industrial Control Systems, used in vital sectors of our economy, are also often linked to the internet.

This adds a new dimension to the internet dependency: safety and security. A safe internet system is crucial for our economy and our society. We have to be resilient against cyber-attacks and cyber related incidents. This is a responsibility for the Curaçao government, market parties and civilians. Together we will have to strive to keep the Caribbean safe from cyber incidents.

Cooperation national and international

There are literally no borders to cybercrime because national borders do not exist in the cyber world. This means that governments, ICT specialists, computer scientists, and businesses from all over the world should work together to fight cybercrime, and they do. In Curaçao we will work closely together with our constituents, police forces, companies, government bodies and NGO's. CARICERT is a prospective member of FIRST. This is an international confederation of trusted computer incident response teams who cooperatively handle computer security incidents and promote incident prevention programs. We have an official cooperation with the National Cyber Security Center in The Netherlands (NCSC). And most importantly, being part of the trusted CERT community, we have one-to-one contacts with other CERT organizations, when needed.

Our mission

CARICERT is the National Cyber Emergency Response Team of the Caribbean, and will work in close cooperation with national and international partners to prevent cyber related incidents and to guarantee the integrity and quality of the national internet infrastructure. This incident prevention function is performed by enhancing security awareness in general, sharing knowledge with other CERTs and the constituents, advising the constituents about cyber security solutions, responding in case of crisis or incidents related to cybercrime, and by giving advice about security policies for national internet infrastructures.

Last but not least, we are aiming to provide the government, the international community and the market with policy advice, based on the knowledge and experience we obtain in the field. Our practical knowledge must translate into better prevention and incident handling on a higher level.



COOPERATION

We work with governments, police forces, market parties and CERT's all over the world.

SERVICES

Prevention and detection are services we provide to our constituents. Incident handling and tailored advice will be offered in the near future.

KNOWLEDGE SHARING

Awareness and knowledge are of crucial importance. We will facilitate knowledge sharing through publications, meetings and training activities.

MORE INFORMATION

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Constituency

CARICERT has chosen for a constituency model. CARICERT provides its constituents with advice and support.

On the other hand the constituents give CARICERT an insight into the threats they are facing. Information about the constituents will not be shared with others, unless the constituents give their consent. CARICERT hopes to be able to expand its constituency in the coming years and help all organizations in the vital sectors in keeping the Curaçao economy and society safer from security incidents and cyber-crime.

Services and products

A CERT generally offers the following services: prevention, detection, incident handling and advice. Initially, CARICERT will offer prevention and detection services to its constituents, and incident handling will be offered soon.

Prevention means that we help the constituents to remain as safe as possible from any incidents. We do so by alerting them of threats, by giving them relevant information about cyber security, vulnerabilities, developments etc. This can be done by publishing fact sheets and white papers, by training and conferencing.

Detection means that, with the help of the international community, we detect threats and vulnerabilities and immediately inform our constituents about them and their mitigations to limit the damage that might occur.

In the near future we will also provide incident handling for our constituents. This means that we will not only register and inform, but we will also be able to solve problems by using our knowledge and the international connections to handle incidents or at least limit the damage they might cause.

Call for action

CARICERT is an initiative with a clear mission and goal. To make and keep the Caribbean a safe place to trade, live, play and thrive, we must work together with all sectors of our economy. All information about threats and incidents, trends, initiatives and actions in the field of cyber security are highly appreciated by CARICERT. Please mail us at info@caricert.cw. We strive for a committed, involved and active community, both inside and outside the Caribbean.

