

## SSA-170686: Vulnerabilities in SCALANCE X-200 and X-200IRT Switch Families

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CVSS v3.1 Base Score: 7.6

### SUMMARY

Two vulnerabilities have been reported for the Siemens SCALANCE X-200 and X-200IRT switch families concerning a privilege escalation bug in the web interface and an authentication problem in the SNMPv3 implementation. Siemens has addressed both vulnerabilities by firmware upgrades.

### AFFECTED PRODUCTS AND SOLUTION

Affected Product and Versions	Remediation
SCALANCE X-200 switch family (incl. SIPLUS NET variants): Versions < V5.0.0 for CVE-2013-3633 and versions < V4.5.0 for CVE-2013-3634	Update to V5.0.0 (released in 2013), or any later version (currently V5.2.4) <a href="https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/document/109767965">https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/document/109767965</a>
SCALANCE X-200IRT switch family (incl. SIPLUS NET variants): All versions < V5.1.0	Update to V5.1.0 (released in 2013), or any later version (currently V5.4.2) <a href="https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/document/109763309">https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/document/109763309</a>

### WORKAROUNDS AND MITIGATIONS

Siemens has identified the following specific workarounds and mitigations that customers can apply to reduce the risk:

- Disable SNMPv3 completely to mitigate CVE-2013-3634

### GENERAL SECURITY RECOMMENDATIONS

As a general security measure, Siemens strongly recommends to protect network access to devices with appropriate mechanisms. In order to operate the devices in a protected IT environment, Siemens recommends to configure the environment according to Siemens' operational guidelines for Industrial Security (Download: <https://www.siemens.com/cert/operational-guidelines-industrial-security>), and to follow the recommendations in the product manuals.

Additional information on Industrial Security by Siemens can be found at: <https://www.siemens.com/industrialsecurity>

### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

SCALANCE X switches are used to connect industrial components like Programmable Logic Controllers (PLCs) or Human Machine Interfaces (HMIs).

SIPLUS extreme products are designed for reliable operation under extreme conditions and are based on SIMATIC, LOGO!, SITOP, SINAMICS, SIMOTION, SCALANCE or other devices. SIPLUS devices use the same firmware as the product they are based on.

## **VULNERABILITY CLASSIFICATION**

The vulnerability classification has been performed by using the CVSS scoring system in version 3.1 (CVSS v3.1) (<https://www.first.org/cvss/>). The CVSS environmental score is specific to the customer's environment and will impact the overall CVSS score. The environmental score should therefore be individually defined by the customer to accomplish final scoring.

An additional classification has been performed using the CWE classification, a community-developed list of common software security weaknesses. This serves as a common language and as a baseline for weakness identification, mitigation, and prevention efforts. A detailed list of CWE classes can be found at: <https://cwe.mitre.org/>.

### Vulnerability CVE-2013-3633

The user privileges for the web interface are only enforced on client side and not properly verified on server side. Therefore, an attacker is able to execute privileged commands using an unprivileged account.

CVSS v3.1 Base Score	7.6
CVSS Vector	CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:L/I:L/A:H/E:P/RL:O/RC:C
CWE	CWE-603: Use of Client-Side Authentication

### Vulnerability CVE-2013-3634

The implementation of SNMPv3 does not check the user credentials sufficiently. Therefore, an attacker is able to execute SNMP commands without correct credentials.

CVSS v3.1 Base Score	7.3
CVSS Vector	CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:L/I:L/A:L/E:P/RL:O/RC:C
CWE	CWE-287: Improper Authentication

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- Hay Mizrahi from OTORIO for reporting CVE-2013-3633 also for Scalance X-200 switch family
- Artem Zinenko from Kaspersky for pointing out that SIPLUS should also be mentioned

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

For further inquiries on security vulnerabilities in Siemens products and solutions, please contact the Siemens ProductCERT:

<https://www.siemens.com/cert/advisories>

## **HISTORY DATA**

V1.0 (2013-05-24): Publication Date

- V1.1 (2013-05-27): Adjusted CVSS Base Score from 6.4 to 7.5 for CVE-2013-3634  
V1.2 (2019-12-10): Added Scalance X-200 switch family; revised summary; updated CVSS Scores from CVSSv2 to CVSSv3.1; SIPLUS devices now explicitly mentioned in the list of affected products

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