SSA-273799: Vulnerability in SIMATIC products

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SUMMARY

A vulnerability has been identified in several SIMATIC products. The vulnerability could allow an attacker in a Man-in-the-Middle position to modify network traffic exchanged on port 102/tcp to PLCs of the SIMATIC S7-1200, SIMATIC S7-1500 and SIMATIC SoftwareController CPU families.

Siemens has released updates for several affected products, and recommends that customers update to the new version. Siemens is preparing further updates and recommends specific countermeasures until patches are available.

AFFECTED PRODUCTS AND SOLUTION

Affected Product and Versions	Remediation
SIMATIC CP 1626: All versions	See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations
SIMATIC HMI Panel (incl. SIPLUS variants): All versions	See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations
SIMATIC NET PC Software: All versions < V16	Update to V16 https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/document/109775589/
SIMATIC STEP 7 (TIA Portal): All versions < V16	Update to version V16 https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/document/109772803/
SIMATIC WinCC (TIA Portal): All versions < V16	Update to version V16 https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/document/109772803/
SIMATIC WinCC OA: All versions <= 3.15	See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations
SIMATIC WinCC OA: All versions <= 3.16 patch version 12	Apply patch version 13 https://www.winccoa.com/downloads/category/versions-patches-10.html
SIMATIC WinCC Runtime Advanced: All versions	Update to version V16 https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/document/109771219/
SIMATIC WinCC Runtime Professional: All versions	Update to version V16 https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/document/109771219/
TIM 1531 IRC (incl. SIPLUS NET variants): All versions < V2.1	Update to V2.1 https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/document/109774204/

WORKAROUNDS AND MITIGATIONS

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

- Apply Defense-in-Depth: https://www.siemens.com/cert/operational-guidelines-industrial-security

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

SIMATIC CP 1626 enables SIMATIC PGs/PCs and PCs equipped with a PCI Express slot to be connected to PROFINET IO.

SIMATIC NET PC software is a software product that is sold separately and implements the communications product from SIMATIC NET.

SIMATIC STEP 7 (TIA Portal) is an engineering software to configure and program SIMATIC controllers.

SIMATIC WinCC (TIA Portal) is an engineering software to configure and program SIMATIC Panels, SIMATIC Industrial PCs, and Standard PCs running WinCC Runtime Advanced or SCADA System WinCC Runtime Professional visualization software.

SIMATIC WinCC Runtime Advanced is a visualization runtime platform used for operator control and monitoring of machines and plants.

SIMATIC WinCC Runtime Professional is a visualization runtime platform used for operator control and monitoring of machines and plants.

TIM 1531 IRC is a communication module for SIMATIC S7-1500, S7-400, S7-300 with SINAUT ST7, DNP3 and IEC 60870-5-101/104 with three RJ45 interfaces for communication via IP-based networks (WAN / LAN) and a RS 232/RS 485 interface for communication via classic WAN networks.

SIMATIC HMI Panels are used for operator control and monitoring of machines and plants.

The client-server HMI (human machine interface) system SIMATIC WinCC Open Architecture (OA) is part of the SIMATIC HMI family. It is designed for use in applications requiring a high degree of customer-specific adaptability, large or complex applications and projects that impose specific system requirements or functions.

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/.

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An attacker in a Man-in-the-Middle position could potentially modify network traffic exchanged on port 102/tcp to PLCs of the SIMATIC S7-1200, SIMATIC S7-1500 and SIMATIC SoftwareController CPU families, due to certain properties in the calculation used for integrity protection.

In order to exploit the vulnerability, an attacker must be able to perform a Man-in-the-Middle attack. The vulnerability could impact the integrity of the communication.

No public exploitation of the vulnerability was known at the time of advisory publication.

CVSS v3.1 Base Score	3.7
CVSS Vector	CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:H/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:L/A:N/E:U/RL:T/RC:C
CWE	CWE-327: Use of a Broken or Risky Cryptographic Algorithm

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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 (2019-12-10):	Publication Date
V1.1 (2020-02-11):	Added solution for TIM 1531 IRC and SIMATIC NET PC Software
V1.2 (2020-03-10):	Added links for WinCC Runtime

TERMS OF USE