# SSA-640968: Untrusted Search Path Vulnerability in TIA Project-Server formerly known as TIA Multiuser Server

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# **SUMMARY**

TIA Project-Server formerly known as TIA Multiuser Server contains an untrusted search path vulnerability that could allow an attacker to escalate privileges, when tricking a legitimate user to start the service from an attacker controlled path.

Siemens has released updates for several affected products and recommends to update to the latest versions. Siemens is preparing further updates and recommends specific countermeasures for products where updates are not, or not yet available.

# AFFECTED PRODUCTS AND SOLUTION

Affected Product and Versions	Remediation
TIA Multiuser Server V14: All versions affected by CVE-2022-35868	Currently no fix is planned Migrate to TIA Project-Server V1.1 or later version See further recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations
TIA Multiuser Server V15: All versions < V15.1 Update 8 affected by CVE-2022-35868	Update to V15.1 Update 8 or later version Migrate to TIA Project-Server V1.1 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109763893/ See further recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations
TIA Project-Server: All versions < V1.1 affected by CVE-2022-35868	Update to V1.1 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109810588/ See further recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations
TIA Project-Server V16: All versions affected by CVE-2022-35868	Currently no fix is planned Migrate to TIA Project-Server V1.1 or later version See further recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations
TIA Project-Server V17: All versions < V17 Update 6 affected by CVE-2022-35868	Update to V17 Update 6 or later version Migrate to TIA Project-Server V1.1 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109800915/ See further recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations

#### **WORKAROUNDS AND MITIGATIONS**

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

• Make sure that the directory that is set as working directory when starting the TIA Project-Server or TIA Multiuser Server does not contain untrusted files.

Product-specific remediations or mitigations can be found in the section Affected Products and Solution. Please follow the General Security Recommendations.

# **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: <a href="https://www.siemens.com/cert/operational-guidelines-industrial-security">https://www.siemens.com/cert/operational-guidelines-industrial-security</a>), and to follow the recommendations in the product manuals. Additional information on Industrial Security by Siemens can be found at: <a href="https://www.siemens.com/industrialsecurity">https://www.siemens.com/industrialsecurity</a>

## **PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

TIA Project-Server formerly known as TIA Multiuser Server allows to work with multiple users together and simultaneously on a project.

#### **VULNERABILITY DESCRIPTION**

This chapter describes all vulnerabilities (CVE-IDs) addressed in this security advisory. Wherever applicable, it also documents the product-specific impact of the individual vulnerabilities.

#### Vulnerability CVE-2022-35868

Affected applications contain an untrusted search path vulnerability that could allow an attacker to escalate privileges, when tricking a legitimate user to start the service from an attacker controlled path.

CVSS v3.1 Base Score 6.7

CVSS Vector CVSS:3.1/AV:L/AC:H/PR:L/UI:R/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H/E:P/RL:O/RC:C

CWE CWE-426: Untrusted Search Path

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Previous versions of the TIA Project-Server or Multiuser Server were delivered together with the TIA Portal from V14. These are the following server versions: Multiuser-Server V14,V14 SP1, V15 and V15.1 as well as TIA Project-Server V16 and V17.

The TIA Project-Server version does not follow the TIA Portal version anymore and the version numbering started with version V1.0 again.

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 (2023-02-14): Publication Date

V1.1 (2023-05-09): Added fix for TIA Project-Server V17

V1.2 (2024-08-13): Clarify no fix planned for TIA Project-Server V16

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