

SSA-679335: Multiple Vulnerabilities in Embedded FTP Server of SIMATIC CP Modules

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Current Version: V1.1
CVSS v3.1 Base Score: 8.8

SUMMARY

SIMATIC CP 1543-1 and CP 1545-1 devices are affected by multiple vulnerabilities in ProFTPD, a third party component, that could allow a remote attacker to access sensitive information and execute arbitrary code.

Siemens has released updates for the affected products and recommends to update to the latest versions.

AFFECTED PRODUCTS AND SOLUTION

| Affected Product and Versions | Remediation |
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| SIMATIC CP 1543-1 (incl. SIPLUS variants): All versions < V3.0 | Update to V3.0 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109800773/ See further recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIMATIC CP 1545-1 (6GK7545-1GX00-0XE0): All versions < V1.1 | Update to V1.1 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109811116/ 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:

- Disable the embedded FTP server. The server is deactivated in the default configuration
- Limit access to port 21/tcp to trusted IP addresses

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: <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

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.

The SIMATIC CP 1543-1 and SIMATIC CP 1545-1 communication processor connects the S7-1500 controller to Ethernet networks. It provides integrated security functions such as firewall, Virtual Private Networks (VPN) and support of other protocols with data encryption. The communication processor protects S7-1500 stations against unauthorized access, as well as integrity and confidentiality of transmitted data.

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-2020-9272

ProFTPD 1.3.7 has an out-of-bounds (OOB) read vulnerability in mod_cap via the cap_text.c cap_to_text function, that could lead to information disclosure.

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| CVSS v3.1 Base Score | 7.5 |
| CVSS Vector | CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:N/A:N/E:U/RL:O/RC:C |
| CWE | CWE-125: Out-of-bounds Read |

Vulnerability CVE-2020-9273

In ProFTPD 1.3.7, it is possible to corrupt the memory pool by interrupting the data transfer channel. This triggers a use-after-free in alloc_pool in pool.c, and possible remote code execution.

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| CVSS v3.1 Base Score | 8.8 |
| CVSS Vector | CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H/E:U/RL:O/RC:C |
| CWE | CWE-416: Use After Free |

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 (2021-08-10): Publication Date
V1.1 (2022-06-14): Added fix for SIMATIC CP 1545-1

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