

## SSA-838121: Multiple Denial of Service Vulnerabilities in Industrial Products

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 CVSS v3.1 Base Score: 7.5

### SUMMARY

Affected SIMATIC firmware contains three vulnerabilities that could allow an unauthenticated attacker to perform a denial-of-service attack under certain conditions.

Siemens is preparing updates and recommends specific countermeasures for products where updates are not, or not yet available.

### AFFECTED PRODUCTS AND SOLUTION

Affected Product and Versions	Remediation
SIMATIC Drive Controller family: All versions < V2.9.4	Update to V2.9.4 or later version <a href="https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109773914/">https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109773914/</a>
SIMATIC ET 200SP Open Controller CPU 1515SP PC2 (incl. SIPLUS variants): All versions	Currently no remediation is available See recommendations from section <a href="#">Workarounds and Mitigations</a>
SIMATIC S7-1200 CPU family (incl. SIPLUS variants): All versions >= V4.5.0 < V4.5.2	Update to V4.5.2 or later version <a href="https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109793280/">https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109793280/</a>
SIMATIC S7-1500 CPU family (incl. related ET200 CPUs and SIPLUS variants): All versions >= V2.9.2 < V2.9.4	Update to V2.9.4 or later version <a href="https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109478459/">https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109478459/</a>
SIMATIC S7-1500 Software Controller: All versions	Currently no remediation is available See recommendations from section <a href="#">Workarounds and Mitigations</a>
SIMATIC S7-PLCSIM Advanced: All versions < V4.0 SP1	Update to V4.0 SP1 or later version <a href="https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109805271/">https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109805271/</a>
TIM 1531 IRC (incl. SIPLUS NET variants): All versions >= V2.2	Currently no remediation is available See recommendations from section <a href="#">Workarounds and Mitigations</a>

### WORKAROUNDS AND MITIGATIONS

Siemens has not identified any additional specific workarounds or mitigations. Please follow the [General Security Recommendations](#).

Product specific mitigations can be found in the section [Affected Products and Solution](#).

## **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**

Products of the SIMATIC Drive Controller family have been designed for the automation of production machines, combining the functionality of a SIMATIC S7-1500 CPU and a SINAMICS S120 drive control.

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SIMATIC S7-1500 Software Controller is a SIMATIC software controller for PC-based automation solutions.

SIMATIC S7-PLCSIM Advanced simulates S7-1200, S7-1500 and a few other PLC derivatives. Includes full network access to simulate the PLCs, even in virtualized environments.

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 ET 200SP Open Controller is a PC-based version of the SIMATIC S7-1500 Controller including optional visualization in combination with central I/Os in a compact device.

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.

## **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-2021-37185

An unauthenticated attacker could cause a denial-of-service condition in a PLC when sending specially prepared packets over port 102/tcp. A restart of the affected device is needed to restore normal operations.

CVSS v3.1 Base Score	7.5
CVSS Vector	<a href="#">CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:N/A:H/E:P/RL:O/RC:C</a>
CWE	CWE-672: Operation on a Resource after Expiration or Release

### Vulnerability CVE-2021-37204

An unauthenticated attacker could cause a denial-of-service condition in a PLC when sending specially prepared packet over port 102/tcp. A restart of the affected device is needed to restore normal operations.

CVSS v3.1 Base Score	7.5
CVSS Vector	CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:N/A:H/E:P/RL:O/RC:C
CWE	CWE-672: Operation on a Resource after Expiration or Release

### Vulnerability CVE-2021-37205

An unauthenticated attacker could cause a denial-of-service condition in a PLC when sending specially prepared packets over port 102/tcp. A restart of the affected device is needed to restore normal operations.

CVSS v3.1 Base Score	7.5
CVSS Vector	CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:N/A:H/E:P/RL:O/RC:C
CWE	CWE-401: Missing Release of Memory after Effective Lifetime

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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**

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V1.1 (2022-03-08):	Added solution for SIMATIC S7-PLCSIM Advanced

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