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MultiRATE Project Advances Security Technologies Assessment

3rd Plenary Meeting Successfully held in Espoo, Finland

The MultiRATE project, funded by the European Union under Grant Agreement 101073929, is making significant progress in enhancing methodologies for evaluating the readiness of security technologies. To review achievements, discuss key milestones, and plan future steps, the project's 3rd plenary meeting was held on July 3-4, 2024, in Espoo, Finland, with participants joining both in person and virtually via Microsoft Teams.



The meeting began with an extensive review of the Holistic Readiness Level (HRL) assessment, led by VICOMTECH. Discussions focused on the development of the HRL web calculator and its forecasting module, which are designed to evaluate various readiness aspects of security technologies. The session also involved refining individual readiness indicators, including Technology Readiness Level (TRL), Societal Readiness Level (SocRL), Security Readiness Level (SecRL), Legal, Policy, and Ethical Readiness Level (LPERL), Integration Readiness Level (IRL), Commercialization Readiness Level (CRL) and Manufacturing

Readiness Level (MRL). Participants shared key insights on the initial evaluation and validation results, with a clear plan for the next validation rounds.

Another important session, led by VTT, focused on network establishment and certification mechanisms under Work Package 4 (WP4). This session highlighted the progress in building a network of experts from both the consortium and the broader EU R&D community. These experts will play a crucial role in validating the tools developed within the project. Additionally, updates were shared on the certification mechanism and the standardization roadmap, ensuring a structured and reliable approach to assessing security technologies.

The meeting also addressed the project's long-term impact and sustainability. Discussions included updates on Key Performance Indicators (KPIs), dissemination efforts, and sustainability strategies. A major focus was on developing plans to ensure the continued relevance of MultiRATE's outcomes beyond the project's duration. Strategies to meet project milestones and organize an exploitation workshop were also discussed.



The event concluded with a live demonstration session, where tangible project achievements were showcased. CERTH and VICOM presented TRL and HRL demos respectively, offering a hands-on look at the advancements made in evaluating security technology readiness. These demonstrations provided participants with a clearer understanding of how the tools function and their potential impact on security assessments.

The meeting wrapped up with closing remarks, reinforcing the commitment to the project's objectives and setting the stage for future developments. With clear goals and strong collaboration among partners, MultiRATE continues to drive innovation in security technology assessment, ensuring its methodologies are both practical and impactful.

Looking Ahead

The MultiRATE project continues to make strides in advancing security technology development. This progress is made possible through comprehensive readiness level assessments, strengthened by the collective expertise and collaboration of all partners. By integrating multiple evaluation criteria, the project ensures a thorough and effective approach to enhancing the readiness of security technologies.

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