

How we secure cyber space

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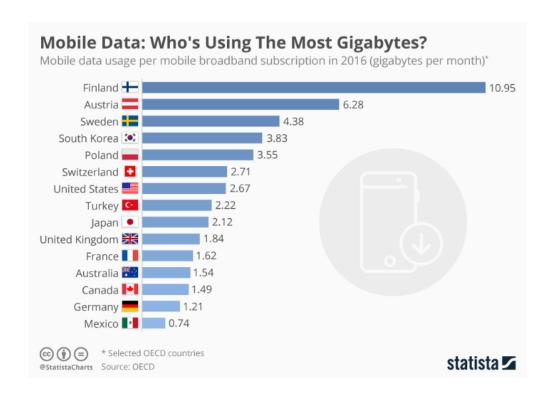




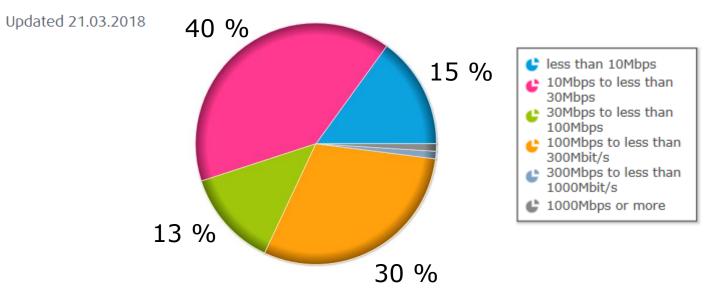
**Our operating environment** 



# Over 210 registered telecommunications operators (February 2018)



#### Fixed-line broadband subscriptions by connection speed



- » 88 % of Finns read news online (EU28, 70 %)
- » 93 % use online banking services (EU28, 58 %)
- » 62 % feel that they are well informed about risks of cybercrime (EU28, 46 %)

Special Eurobarometer 464a, Cyber Security, June 2017

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# World's safest networks? - Mostly harmless at least

#### Businesses that have encountered IT security problems, 2010

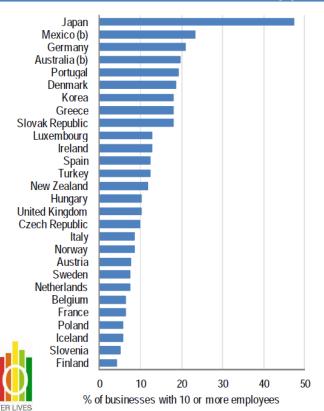
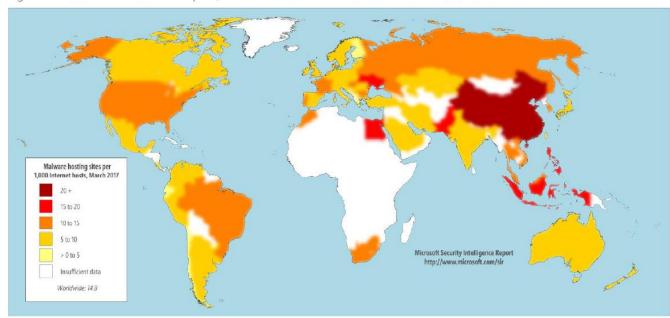


Figure 34. Malware distribution sites per 1,000 Internet hosts for locations around the world in March 2017



Microsoft SIR, March 2017: Locations with low concentrations of malware hosting sites included Finland (4.1), Taiwan (5.3), and Turkey (5.3).





### **FICORA** milestones

The Telecommunications Administration Centre

<u> Felecommunicatio</u> Administration, TV

1988

Steering of postal operation 1994

Fi-domain names

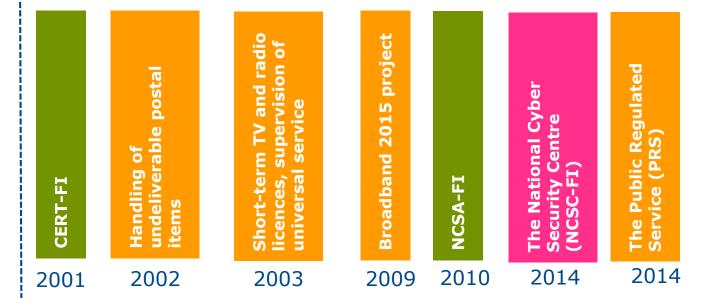
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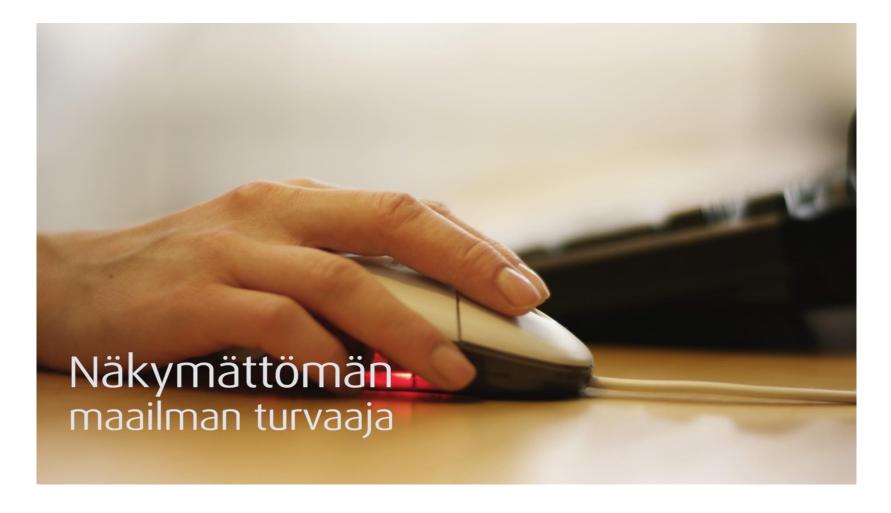
**Economic regulation** information security operations vision

1999

The Finnish Communications Regulatory Authority (FICORA)



### Protector of the invisible world



## Different roles support creating situational awareness and providing services to different customers

Situational picture

CERT function

NCSA function

Steering and supervision of the information security and preparedness in public communications networks and services

National Computer Emergency Response Team

- » Critical infrastructure
- » Government
- » ISPs
- » Citizens
- National Communications Security Authority
  - » Assessment of information systems and telecommunications arrangements
- National Regulatory Authority
  - » Supervision of telecom operators
  - » Privacy of electronic communications



### IoT definitely creates new threats



### We all play a role

There is no single entity who can take care of cyber security for us all, we all must do our share

- As a manufacturer
  - » It is cheaper and less risky to make secure devices from the beginning
  - » Tell the customer what you've secured and what they need to secure
- As a network or service provider
  - » Protect your own assets and take care of your internet reputation
  - » Consider if and how you could protect your customers from malicious activities
- As a user
  - » Use new devices and try new services but do think how you can protect yourself
- As NCSC-FI
  - » We exist to help



### Behind our success: Pure luck or something smarter?

- Yes, we are a regulator, but we see ourselves also highly as a service organization
  - » CERT and NCSA functions are easy for everyone to see as a service
  - » It is good to remember that also NRA serves the whole society
  - » Our mindset is to provide positive support to the community
    - Focus is, what can we give, not what we can get
    - Assistance first, compliance when storm has calmed
- Without data we're useless
  - » Telcos are obliged by law to report on specific incidents
  - » The rest tell us on voluntary basis
    - In practice, 99.9 % of all cases
  - » "World" expects us to mitigate the problem "Finland" expects us to provide help



### Behind our success: Pure luck or something smarter?

- Co-operation is essential
  - » Without a deeply networked community we would not be strong
  - » Sharing experiences and lessons learned creates a positive spin that will feed itself
  - » Will only function properly if a sufficient level of trust is established between the parties
- Information security legislation, sometimes seen as a restriction, is actually an enabler for us and the Finnish network owners
  - » Very strict law on privacy both at work & home, but also efficient tools for solving incidents





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