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El *hackeo* de SolarWinds, un ataque patrocinado por el estado ruso salió a la luz el pasado diciembre de 2020. Se le ha descrito como un «riesgo grave», pero al parecer, nadie sabe la verdadera escala del ataque y la extensión de las organizaciones europeas que fueron víctimas.

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Researching cybercriminality to design new methods to prevent, investigate and mitigate cybercriminal behaviour.

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### Who is this for?

The European Commission (REA, DG HOME), selected LEAs, the CC-DRIVER Stakeholder Board, the CC-DRIVER Security Advisory Board and the CC-DRIVER Ethics Advisory Board.

### Highlights

- 1 The Russian SolarWinds attack is a "grave risk" to government and businesses, but no one seems to know the scale of the attack. We have little information on the extent to which European organisations were hacked or what they did about it.
- 2 We can identify different types of state-sponsored attacks, such as espionage, ransomware, disruption of infrastructure, social disruption and hybrid attacks. Microsoft (and others) have identified the principal attackers as sponsored by Russia, China, Iran and North Korea.
- 3 There are different policy options on how to respond to such attacks. Doing nothing is not a viable option, if there are no consequences, attackers will continue to spy, steal and attack.
- 4 Among policy options are naming names, sanctions against the perpetrators, diplomatic isolation, signalling, counter-attacks, pre-emptive strikes, demonstrations of power.
- 5 Policy options are complicated because the US, UK and Israel have engaged in offensive operations too (e.g., Stuxnet). The moral high ground has already been compromised.



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