

What's in store for MSPs: Trends for 2023

DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, April 7, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Alžbeta Kovaľová and Márk Szabó, security writers at <u>ESET</u> discuss what happened in 2022 and what is to be expected for MSPs in 2023

2022 was a strong year for MSPs, but 2023 looks to be even stronger. ESET experts claim that the number one priority for MSPs in 2023 is cybersecurity, and they are here to talk about the trends and challenges awaiting MSPs this year.



Michal Jankech, ESET´s VP of the SMB and MSP segment, together with Jake Moore, ESET´s global security advisor, have no doubt that cybersecurity will remain a top priority. With SMBs being early adopters of technology, MSPs helping drive digital transformation, and cybercrime changing in response, all (legitimate) parties must work to respond to evolving cybersecurity threats.

2022 saw MSPs change their approach, with more internal risk assessment, beefing up their security with instant response policies. Since cyberattacks demand high-quality solutions, new economic factors need to be considered. Trends suggest more business email compromises, zero-day attacks, and supply chain attacks. And with more users being targeted than ever, human error unfortunately remains the biggest security threat.

"Likewise, the threat landscape is unpredictable, with threats always evolving and becoming more sophisticated," says Jankech. All new technology can be and will be misused by cybercriminals. New emerging threats are quite complex and often rely on the above-mentioned human factor; therefore, more methods to eliminate and minimize the chance of a compromise are required.

However, Moore provided a few tips MSPs can implement to improve their security:

1. Automatic patch processes: Often, attacks rely on human error, so eliminating the opportunity for error is the best bet. Plus, with automated updates, every security update is applied in a timely manner.

- 2. Shrink the attack surface: Nowadays businesses are moving to the cloud, with many more devices accessing business networks, hence practical ways to monitor them are required, such as a "single pane of glass" approach.
- 3. Enhance data protection: Make sure business data is as safe as possible across all data locations by adding an additional layer of protection, for example, multifactor authentication.
- 4. Do not fall to alert fatigue: People (including security admins) often get desensitized by tasks and responses, leading to missed or ignored alerts. A solution for small businesses is to employ an MSP who could focus on these challenges, with expertise in automated solutions. Similarly, MSP admins can suffer from alert fatigue...
- 5. Employee awareness: Social engineering is a very successful tactic, and making sure employees are aware of the threats and know how to act and report threats in case they face one brings the company one step closer to a cyber secure 2023.

What can ESET offer MSPs?

Overall, the number one thing any business can do to improve its protection is to opt for a trustworthy cybersecurity solution. ESET is here to provide that protection to all businesses, big or small.

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