

# The SANS Dark Web Solutions Forum

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Speaker: Terbium Labs

## Illuminating the Dark Web: Harvesting and Using OSINT Data from Dark Web Resources

[The SANS Dark Web Solutions Forum](#) brings Dark Web OSINT and security vendors that have proven solutions together with information security and OSINT professionals seeking current best practices and effective tools for tackling the challenges of monitoring, collecting, and analyzing data in the Dark Webs.

### How Sponsors Benefit

Sponsors get a chance to talk directly to the security professionals tasked with using Dark Web sites, collecting data, and analyzing that content to achieve their OSINT, law enforcement, and intelligence goals.

### Relevant Security Operations Topics

- Data collection
- De-anonymization techniques
- Data aggregation and normalization
- Dark Web user activity analysis
- Usage trends among and within Dark Webs
- Dark Web analyst security/OPSEC
- Dark Web content monitoring and alerting

## SPONSORSHIP & NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

### Platinum (*Limited Availability*)

- Session or panel speaking slot
- Prime location tabletop during event
- Networking lunch sponsorship (includes food/beverage)
- Receipt of all leads – Live event, Simulcast, and from archived Simulcast viewings
- Receive edited and full mp4 recording of the sessions
- Premium logo placement and advertisement of sponsorship level in marketing information

### Gold

- Tabletop
- Networking lunch sponsorship (includes food/beverage)
- Receipt of all leads – Live event, Simulcast, and from archived Simulcast viewings
- Logo included in marketing materials

### Simulcast

- Branding only
- Receipt of simulcast leads
- Logo included in marketing materials

### Additional Items

**Afternoon Product Workshop** – Continue the day with a Product Workshop. This three-hour session allows attendees to extensively use your product(s) with a challenge or test-drive scenario.

**Video Interview with Brief Chairman** – Schedule a Thought Leadership Interview with the Brief Chairman. Sponsors will receive a professional video asset.

## What Makes this Event Different?

Within SANS's OSINT course, Summit, and web casts, participants ask questions such as:

- How can I maintain my and my employer's safety while harvesting content from the Dark Web?
- Where are the best places in the Dark Web to find the data I need?
- How do I monitor a forum or closed group in the Dark Web?

SANS has worked hard to maintain its reputation as a vendor-neutral provider of world-class training and facilitator of security research. We also recognize that many of our students come from vendor organizations and that these vendors make a significant to the Dark Web, cyber, and OSINT communities. For this reason, and true to the SANS mission, we are excited to host this exchange of ideas in the form of the SANS Dark Web Vendor Forum.

## About the SANS Dark Web Solutions Forum

Listening to the news nowadays, we hear how the "Dark Web" is used to conduct illicit activities and how import it is to search for data that your organization or your customers deem important within those Dark Web resources. But in the very next sentence, many of these reports caution regular users to not visit Dark Web sites because of a fear that their computer applications and systems might be attacked and possibly compromised. So, how do we get at this valuable data on the Dark Webs without visiting the sites ourselves?

[The SANS Dark Web Solutions Forum](#) will showcase methods of retrieving, searching, and analyzing Dark Web data without visiting those, potentially malicious systems. Through customer examples, participants will leave the briefing with a good understanding of techniques and tools that can assist their organizations and clients with using Dark Web data. In addition, participants will have the opportunity to network and compare notes with other attendees that are considering or have implemented similar solutions.

## Meet Our Chairman: Micah Hoffman

[Micah Hoffman](#) has been active in the information technology field since 1998, working with federal government, commercial, and internal customers to discover and quantify cybersecurity weaknesses within their organizations. As a highly active member of the cybersecurity and OSINT communities, Micah uses his real-world Open-Source Intelligence (OSINT), penetration testing, and incident response experience to provide customized solutions to his customers and comprehensive instruction to his students.

Over the years, Micah has conducted cyber-related tasks like penetration testing, OSINT investigations, APT hunting, and risk assessments for government, internal, and commercial customers. Micah's SANS coursework, cybersecurity expertise, and inherent love of teaching eventually pulled him toward an instructional role, and he's been a SANS Certified Instructor since 2013. He's the author of the SANS course SEC487: Open Source Intelligence Gathering and Analysis, and also teaches both SEC542: Web App Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking and SEC567: Social Engineering for Penetration Testers.

## SAMPLE AGENDA

- Opening remarks
- Keynote
- Networking break
- Industry panel
- Case study or expert discussion
- Closing address
- Networking lunch

***SANS will be responsible for all event logistics (onsite and registration management)***