

Mr. Fabio Cerullo: I appreciate the opportunity to appear before you today, and because of my lengthy participation history with OWASP, I would now like to serve on the Board of Directors.

Summary of Community-Submitted Questions and Answers

Question: What is the biggest challenge you see for OWASP?

Answer: OWASP's global board should consider everyone when making important decisions that will impact the entire community by implementing a community vote which would allow everyone to participate in the shaping of the organization. We should reinforce OWASP's presence overseas in regions such as Europe, Latin America and Asia; and organize more activities like regional tours to build up communities and work together towards a common goal.

Question: The mission of OWASP is to make software security visible so that individuals and organizations worldwide can make informed decisions about true software security risks. How do you see OWASP furthering its mission in the next year, and what about in the next five years?

Answer: By continuing initiatives that put OWASP mentors and academia together, such as occurred at the recent Google Summer of Code; cementing the relationship between OWASP and universities via collaboration and research grants; conducting summits several times yearly, similar to the one recently held in the upper U.S., to further develop projects. Long-term, OWASP should make projects and community the de facto point of reference in software security.

Question: If elected, how will you prevent conflicts of interest between OWASP responsibilities and the duties of the organizations where you are employed or active?

Answer: The distinction is quite clear, is black and white. To eliminate allegations of abuse that could affect OWASP's reputation in the future, we should implement a policy giving the community a formal channel so they can address suspected misbehavior.

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