

Mr. Ludovic Petit: In 2003 when I decided to start the translation of the OWASP, I enjoyed being engaged in such a challenge and created OWASP France, of which I am chapter leader. I wanted to create the France chapter in order to spread the voice of OWASP and start working with some peers there. I am a security officer for a company in France, and I previously was a group security advisor in France, and have been engaged in the AppSec ecosystems since 2003 through the OWASP.

### **Summary of Community-Submitted Questions and Answers**

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

**Answer:** Referencing the OWASP contents, the guides to Top 10 and so on, one of the biggest challenges, if not the biggest, is to work on the “why” are we doing this within the AppSec ecosystem rather than being only focused on the “what.” Because answering the “why” would provide answers to questions we have been asked over time by both individuals and corporations.

**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:** That is a good question. The answer is more or less linked to point number one. OWASP must clearly establish a strategy for the voice of OWASP in our world. A clear response to the question of OWASP’s strategy will help a lot to market the voice of OWASP and establish a more relevant partnerships with areas outside the AppSec ecosystem such as the medical and financial ecosystems, which will in turn be linked back to the OWASP content. So the “why” will help to spread the voice of the “what” for the foundation.

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

**Answer:** Excellent question. As usual, I would suggest to all of my peers to find the right balance between the responsibilities within the OWASP ecosystem and the responsibilities with the employer.

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