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BlackHoodie

Reversing Workshop for Women at UAS St. Pölten

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In the past year at every other event a girl came up to me, telling me how cool she thinks that is what I do. I've had that conversation with each of them, reversing is fun, there are too few women, stuff is scary and hard to learn and good sources of comprehensible knowledge are hard to find.

Thus, I thought it'd be a good idea to sit down with them and help them get their head around reverse engineering malware. The idea is, we do a workshop on how to take binaries apart. I've been teaching exactly that at UAS St. Pölten in the past, and be happy to do it once again in a women-only class.

Why women only?

Because a girl-to-girl conversation is so much more fruitful than a full classroom with only one or two women hiding in the corners. I've done so many things in my life where I was the *only* girl among X other participants, and I promise I've been hiding in the corners more than once. For the gentlemen out there it might not be that obvious, but it is not easy for young females when they haven't yet found their place in life to walk into a class room, a university lecture, an office or a conference room full of men. Who, generally speaking, very often very well seem to know their place.

I've had girls in my classes before, hiding and holding back although I am so certain they would have been capable to be so much better than what their final results showed. So yeah this will be women only, for every female should feel welcomed and encouraged to do her best and get the most out of it.

Why more women in low-level technical jobs in general?

- It's difficult. Mastering something difficult makes you happy. I want all of you to be happy.
- It pays well. While money makes you also happy, what's more important, it gives you courage and independence.
- It keeps you busy. Lots of open job positions globally, even better, believe it or not it is addictive and you might even find yourself a new hobby.

Hardfacts?

- Online preparation assignments
- Workshop 5./6. of September at University of Applied Sciences St. Pölten, Austria
- No fees, no strings attached, all you have to do is get there
- Please register with your name or nickname and a short note about your background at blackhoodie at 0x1338 .at

Prerequisites?

- Being female
- Computer science background in a sense you understand programming logic, how a processor works and how an operating system works
- A Notebook capable of running at least one virtual machine
- A virtual machine, preferred WinXP 32-bit
- Guts ☺ (It is going to be a lot to learn in a very short time)

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About two weeks before the event you will be asked for a final confirmation of your participation.