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HONDURAS WILL PROMOTE A CYBERSECURITY PROJECT IN RESPONSE TO THE RISKS OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Proceso Digital - The president of the National Telecommunications Commission (Conatel), Fernando Anduray, announced that the country will develop a cybersecurity project in conjunction with the International Telecommunication Union, with the goal of preventing risks associated with the use of artificial intelligence. "We expect to announce in May that we will be developing a cybersecurity project in Honduras, in order to seek control and prevention mechanisms in telecommunications," the official stated.

THE GUATEMALAN GOVERNMENT ACTIVATES PROTOCOLS FOLLOWING CYBERSECURITY INCIDENTS IN PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS

Infobae - The Guatemalan government confirmed the activation of national response protocols after detecting recent cybersecurity incidents in various state institutions, with the aim of preserving institutional stability by strengthening technical and organizational measures, and coordinating with international allies, as reported by the Executive itself in an official statement released on April 29, 2026.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FORCES DIGITAL BANKS TO PROTECT THEMSELVES FROM CYBERCRIME IN MEXICO

Forbes Mexico - Artificial intelligence greatly benefits the banking sector in the efficient management of information and data, and streamlines customer transactions, but it also "enables adversaries and malicious actors to commit fraud and disrupt services," according to experts. Artificial intelligence has tripled the value of digital banking in Mexico, making it essential to strengthen security measures to prevent data breaches, identity theft, fraud, and other cybercrimes targeted by organized crime.

BRAZILIAN ARMY PARTICIPATES IN THE LARGEST INTERNATIONAL REAL-TIME CYBER DEFENSE EXERCISE

Ministerio da Defesa - From April 21st to 24th, the Brazilian Army participated in another edition of Locked Shields, considered the world's largest international real-time cyber defense exercise. The activity, held at the Cyber Defense Command (ComDCiber), is organized annually by the NATO Cooperative Cyber Defense Center of Excellence (NATO CCDCOE). This year's edition brought together more than 4,000 participants from 42 countries, involving representatives from public and private institutions. The exercise's main objective is to simulate large-scale cyberattacks against critical infrastructure, requiring teams to maintain the integrity and functionality of computerized systems in a highly complex and realistic environment.

ECA DIGITAL: LEARN WHAT CHANGES IN YOUR CHILDREN'S INTERNET ACCESS - BRAZIL

Brasil247 - The first month of the Digital ECA's implementation brought profound changes to how children and adolescents access the internet in Brazil, with a direct impact on social networks, electronic games, and television content. The changes were announced by Agência Gov, via the Ministry of Justice and Public Security (MJSP), based on the new digital protection legislation, regulated by MJSP Ordinance No. 1,048/2025 and Decree No. 12,880/2026, which operationalizes Law No. 15,211/2025. Through the Secretariat of Digital Rights (Sedigi), the federal government revised the age rating of various digital platforms and content, raising the age range for use in several cases and reinforcing the monitoring of risks in the online environment.

BRAZIL AND THE EUROPEAN UNION ACKNOWLEDGE ADEQUACY IN DATA PROTECTION: EFFECTS ON INTERNATIONAL FLOWS

Serpro - On January 26, 2026, we had an important development in the area of privacy and personal data protection in Brazil: the mutual recognition of adequacy between Brazil and the European Union, Brazil's second largest trading partner. In short, from now on, the European Union trusts Brazil as a destination for the processing of personal data where there is equivalence in the standards adopted. This recognition is mutual, that is, Brazil also understands that the European bloc is a reliable place in terms of personal data protection. With this recognition, Brazil and the European Union now form the largest area of secure data flows in the world, encompassing approximately 700 million people.

OPERATION IN 16 COUNTRIES, MOSTLY IN LATIN AMERICA, STRIKES ONLINE CHILD ABUSE NETWORK

Contraparte - Authorities from 16 countries, mostly in Latin America, carried out a joint operation on Tuesday against online child sexual abuse crimes, the Brazilian Federal Police reported. The operation, called International Operation Allies for Childhood VI, was conducted simultaneously and in coordination among the nations. Its objective is to combat transnational crimes that affect the sexual dignity of children and adolescents, especially in digital environments. The investigations are focused on online child abuse networks, where authorities are seeking to curb the distribution and production of illegal content.

CISA AND U.S. GOVERNMENT PARTNERS UNVEIL GUIDE TO ACCELERATE ZERO TRUST ADOPTION IN OPERATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

CISA.gov - The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), along with the Department of War (DoW), Department of Energy (DOE), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and Department of State (DOS) today published a joint guide to assist organizations with operational technology (OT) systems - including government systems - with applying Zero Trust principles. The guide, *Adapting Zero Trust Principles to Operational Technology*, provides OT owners and operators and Zero Trust practitioners with practical insights on overcoming unique constraints, addressing potential challenges, and prioritizing key areas for integrating Zero Trust into OT environments.

FBI-BACKED TAKEDOWN HITS CRYPTO SCAM CENTERS - USA

gov info security - U.S. and international law enforcement agencies dismantled a network of overseas scam centers linked to cryptocurrency investment fraud schemes, officials said Wednesday, arresting at least 276 individuals in a crackdown across the Middle East and Southeast Asia. The operation, led by Dubai authorities with support from the FBI and international partners, targeted a series of scam centers accused of defrauding millions of dollars from American victims and others worldwide. Federal prosecutors in San Diego on Wednesday unsealed charges against multiple alleged operators, managers and recruiters linked to the schemes in what officials described as one of the most extensive U.S.-assisted enforcement actions yet against transnational cyber-enabled fraud networks.

EXCLUSIVE: OPENAI, ANTHROPIC MEET WITH HOUSE COMMITTEE OVER ADVANCED CYBER MODELS - USA

Axios - OpenAI and Anthropic briefed House Homeland Security Committee staff on their new cyber-capable AI models and their implications for cybersecurity, Axios has learned. This is one of the first briefings that lawmakers have had with the AI giants about the cyber threats posed by their new models, including to under-resourced critical infrastructure sectors.

STATE CYBERSECURITY AGENCIES AROUND THE WORLD ARE ADVISING EXTRA CARE OVER HOME ROUTERS AS THEY COULD BE USED IN 'CHINA-NEXUS' COVERT NETWORKS

pcgamer - Just a month after the FCC banned foreign consumer-grade routers that lack the special permissions to be sold, the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), along with the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC-UK) and other security orgs, has advised users of their risks. Compromised home routers, it seems, are the new cybersecurity bugbears. This is because, as CISA puts it: "Over the past few years there has been a major shift in the tactics, techniques and procedures (TTPs) used by China-nexus cyber actors, moving away from the use of individually procured infrastructure, and towards the use of externally provisioned, large-scale networks of compromised devices."



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AMAZON OPENS INTERNATIONAL CALL FOR RESEARCH IN AI AND SECURITY

Bogota.gov.co - Innovation also opens doors to the world when research becomes a tool for protecting information, strengthening digital security, and building technological solutions with global impact. Today, Bogotá has a new opportunity to showcase its academic and scientific talent through an international call for proposals that promotes artificial intelligence projects applied to cybersecurity. This call is aimed at principal investigators, full-time professors at accredited universities, and permanent researchers from legally recognized non-governmental organizations who develop projects in artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, cloud security, and information protection. It is an especially valuable opportunity for universities, research centers, and academic groups in Bogotá seeking to strengthen their international presence, in line with the #BogotáInternacional vision.

NEW RANSOMWARE WIPES EVERY FILE LARGER THAN 128 KB

Mashable - A newly identified ransomware strain is accidentally destroying the very files it's supposed to hold for ransom. And for the victims who end up paying, they're getting nothing back. Cybersecurity firm Check Point Research published findings Tuesday detailing the dangers of VECT 2.0, a Ransomware-as-a-Service operation that first emerged on a Russian-language cybercrime forum in 2025. The ransomware contains a critical coding flaw that permanently destroys any file larger than 128 kilobytes rather than encrypting it. That threshold is smaller than a typical email attachment, meaning virtually every file that would matter to a victim — databases, backups, virtual machine disks, documents, spreadsheets — is being irreversibly wiped rather than locked.