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Research Institute in Science of
Cyber Security

ACCEPT:
Addressing Cybersecurity and Cybercrime via a co-Evolutionary aPproach to reducing human-relaTed risks

Basic Information

EPSRC Human Dimensions of Cyber Security (HDoCS) 2016

£1.1m (funding amount £881k)

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18 researchers from 7 institutions working in 5 disciplines: Computer Science, Crime Science, Business, Engineering, Behavioural Science

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Consortium

University of Kent

UNIVERSITY OF SURREY

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Stakeholders Group

EUROPOL

IBM

METROPOLITAN POLICE

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BRITISH TRANSPORT POLICE

Wider Stakeholders

CROSSWORD CYBERSECURITY

HAT Community Foundation

rocu
south east
Regional Organised Crime Unit
Cyber Crime Unit

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

LLOYDS BANKING GROUP

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Overall Aim

To develop a socio-technical framework and associated software tools that can help to:

- analyse the technological/behavioural co-evolution of cybersecurity/cybercrime ecosystems, and
- influence behaviours of a range of actors to reduce human-related cyber risk in the ecosystems.

Approaches

1. _Theory-informed_: Incorporate theoretical concepts from social, evolutionary and behavioural sciences which provide insights into the co-evolutionary aspect of cybersecurity/cybercrime ecosystems.
2. _Evidence-based_: Draw on extensive real-world data from different sources on behaviours of individuals and organisations within cybersecurity/cybercrime ecosystems.
3. _User-centric_: Develop a framework that can provide practical guidance to system designers on how to engage individual end users and organisations for reducing human-related cyber risks.
4. _Real world-facing_: Assess the effectiveness of the framework through user studies in real-world scenarios.

Socio-Technical Framework
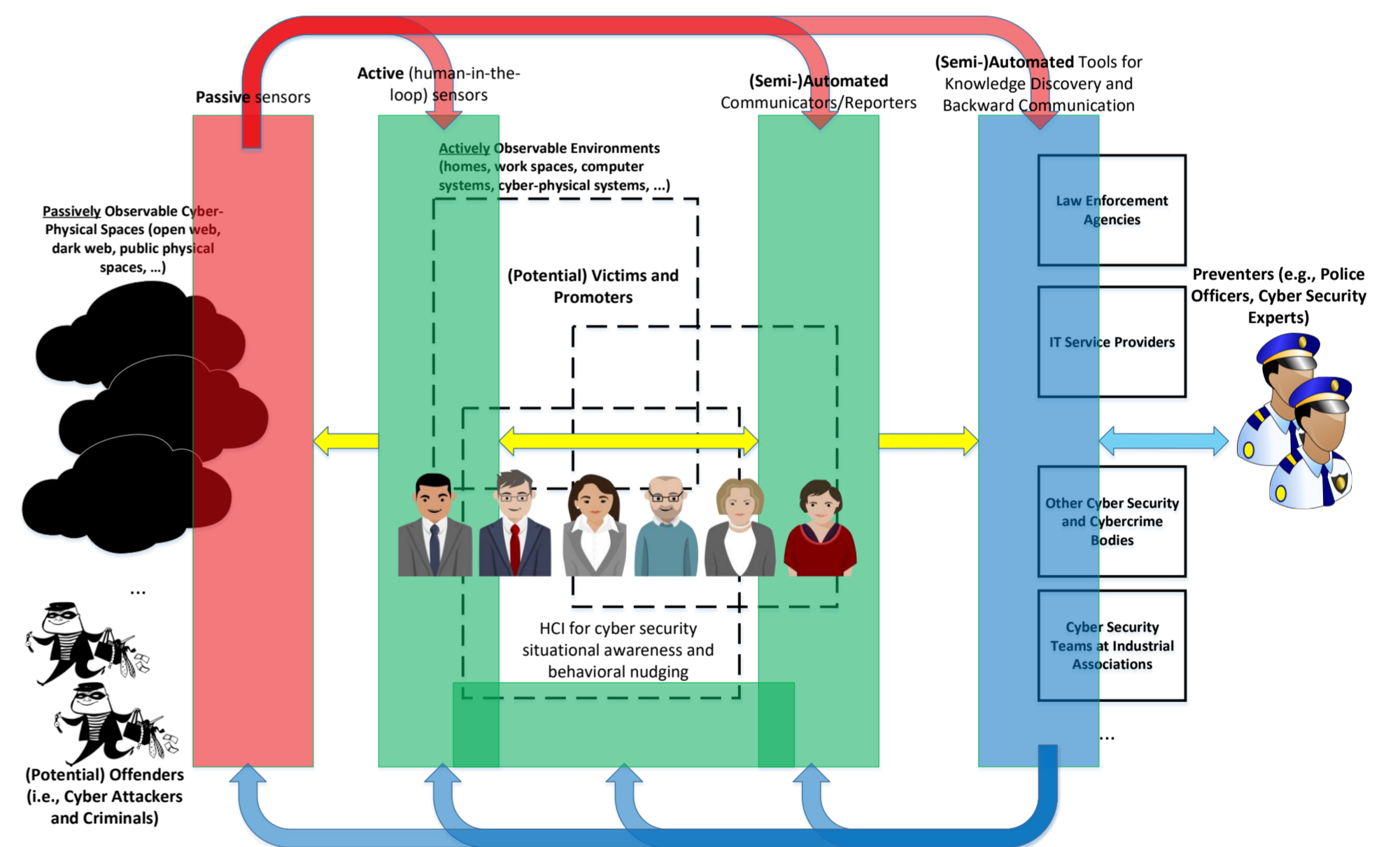
Use Cases

- **Use Case 1: Human-related privacy risks within hybrid transportation networks**
  Human-related **privacy** risks related to sharing **geo-location data** in the **cyber-physical** world involving multiple means of transportation
- **Use Case 2: Human-as-a-Security-Sensor (HaaSS)**
  Feedback-enhanced security event reporting by human users

Work Packages

- **WP1: Socio-Technical Framework**
- **WP2: Design and Development of Software Tools**
- **WP3: Validation through Use Cases**
- **WP4: Project Management & Stakeholder Engagement**

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