

Proliferation or Sharing Of Information – Risk or Chance for Users Security Future?

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ABSTRACT

This article covers reflection in the field of scope and type of shared information by internet users, awareness of the risks associated with the transmission of information and impact of media coverage. The starting point for research was to find answers for crucial questions: do users share their own information or just spread it? Are they aware of the impact of the information message on their future decisions or beliefs? The question allowed the adoption of the initial thesis that the proliferation of information can be a crucial for users in scope of the ability to influence their worldview and decisions. On the one side, this fact makes possible to spread threats in a viral way, have far-reaching effects in shaping societies. The aim of the study was to measure the level and extent of information provision by users using devices with access to the Internet, analysis of the types of information provided, users' awareness of potential threats related to information transfer and awareness of the possibility of influencing on their decisions and worldview. The results of the conducted research can make an important contribution to international research - in particular in the context of the planned work on shaping the future security environment of network users at the global level. In the research process, was made extensive use of qualitative research methods, including analyses and methods: analysis and logical construction, generalization and implication. In turn, among quantitative research methods, intensively was used statistical analysis and a diagnostic sounding survey. The source material included both open access and published studies in specialist journals. The mentioned above, empirical methods included the following: a diagnostic sounding survey - conducted in the form of surveys using the CAWI technique.

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