

NSS 2023 TPC Chairs' Report

17th International Conference on Network and System Security

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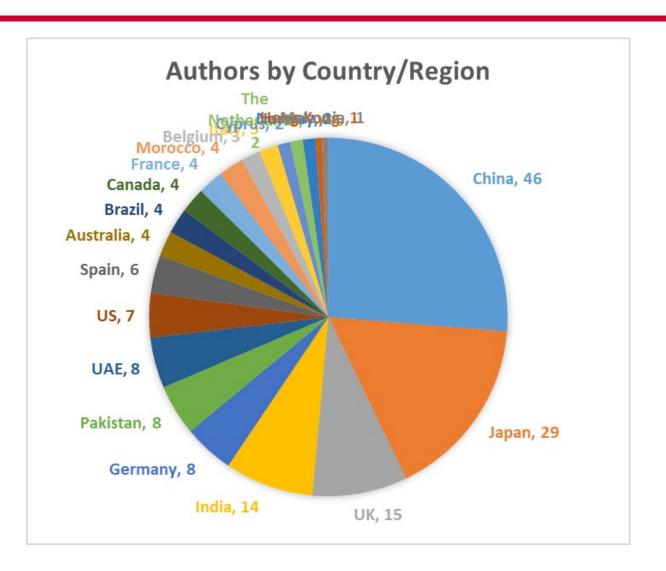




Paper submissions



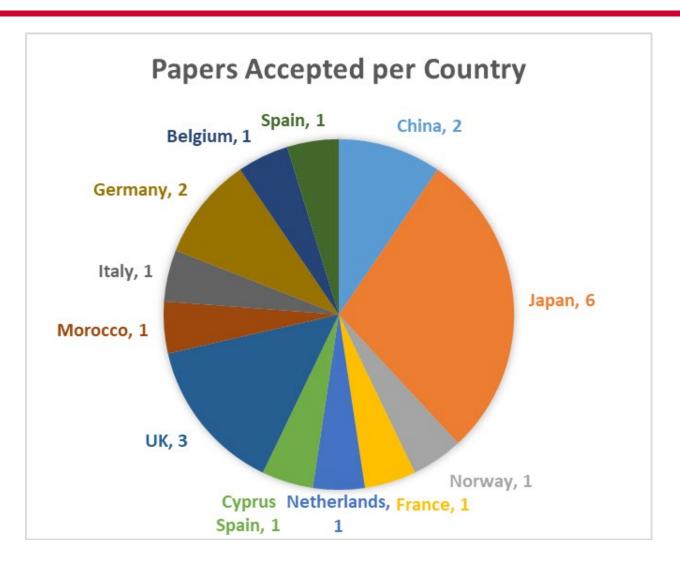
- 63 submissions from authors in 21 countries/regions in all continents (except Antarctica of course ©)
- Statistics of authors per country/region
 - Top three countries are China,
 Japan and the UK.



Papers accepted



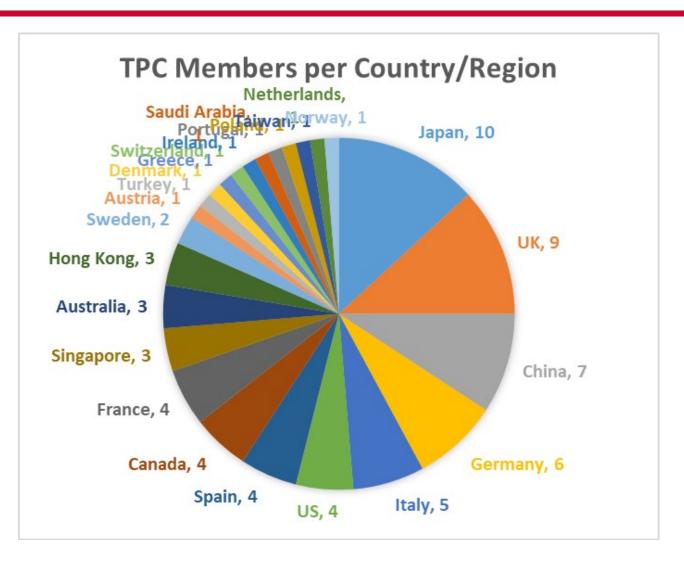
- Submissions: 63
- Full papers accepted: 12
- Short papers accepted: 9
- Acceptance rates: full papers (19.0%), overall (33.3%)
- Statistics of accepted papers per country
 - Except one, all papers have authors from a single country.
 - Japan is the biggest contributor (6 accepted out of 11 papers)!



TPC members and paper reviews



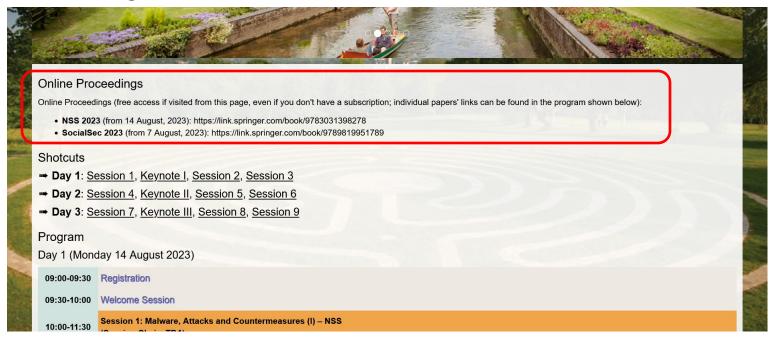
- 76 TPC members from 25 countries/regions
- 4 external reviewers
- 11 submissions were desk rejected by TPC Co-Chairs
- For the 52 valid submissions
 - Except one paper with 2 reviews, all others received 3 or 4 reviews.
 - The average number of reviews received is ~3.1.

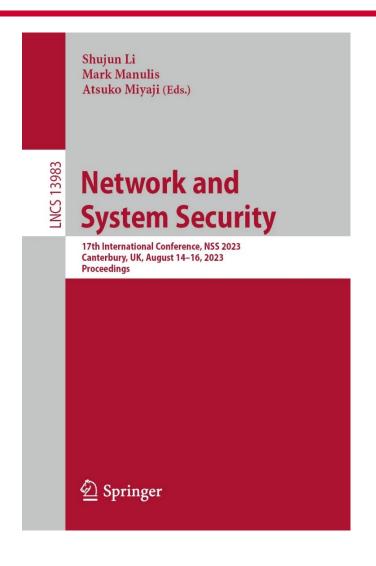


NSS2023 conference proceedings



- Published by Springer as LNCS volume 13983
- Fulltext of the whole proceedings and each paper has been accessible from the conference website https://nss-socialsec2023.cyber.kent.ac.uk/ from 14th August.





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- We thank the Steering Committee to allow us to organise NSS 2023 this year!



SocialSec 2023 TPC Chairs' Report

9th International Symposium on Security and Privacy in Social Networks and Big Data

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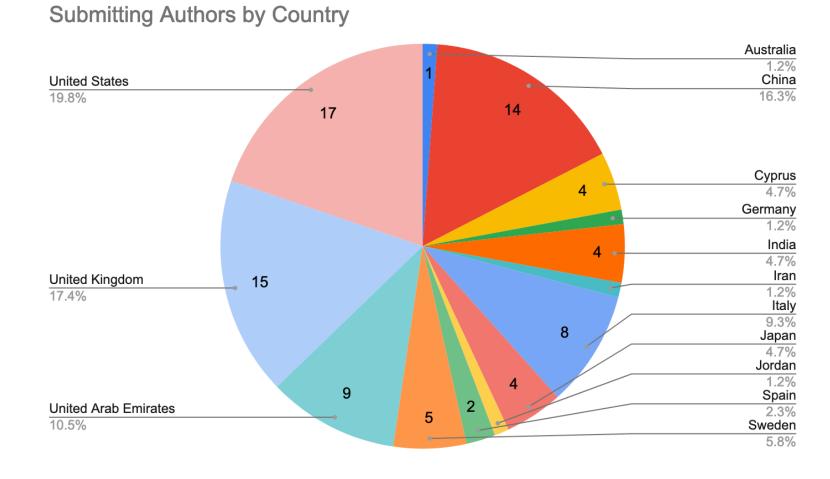




Paper submissions



- 26 submissions from authors in 14 countries*
- Statistics of authors per country/region
 - Top three countries are United States, UK and China.
- Additionally, 3 papers were transferred from NSS for consideration
 - (not shown in the chart**)



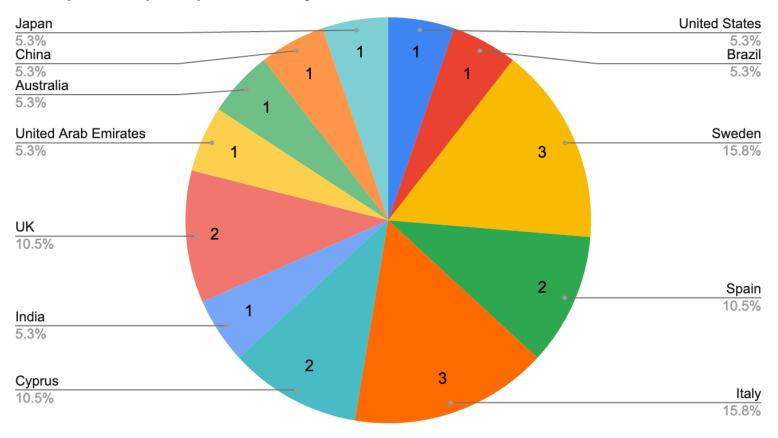
^{*} Each author in multi-authored papers is being counted individually – **not including those transferred from NSS

Papers accepted



- Submissions: 26+3 = 29
- Full papers accepted: 10
- Short papers accepted: 4
 - Including 1 transferred from NSS
- Acceptance rates: full papers (34.48%), overall (48.27%)
- Statistics of accepted papers per country
 - 9 papers have authors from a single country.
 - 5 papers have authors from two countries.



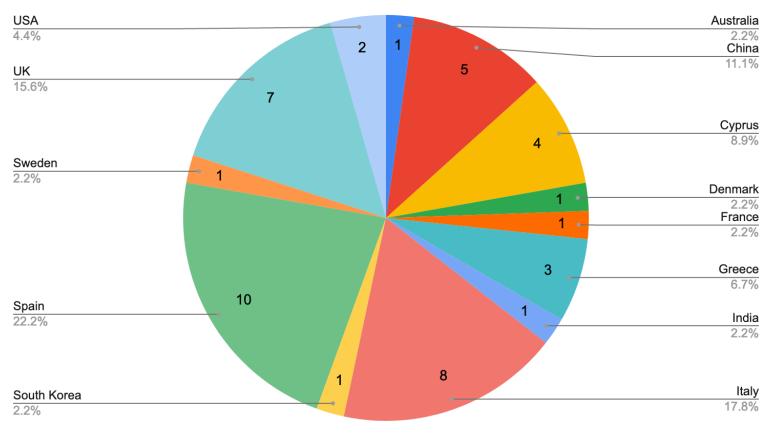


TPC members and paper reviews



- 45 TPC members from 13 countries
- 5 external reviewers
- 2 submissions were desk rejected by TPC Co-Chairs
- For the 24 valid submissions
 - Each paper received 3 or 4 reviews.
- 3 papers transferred from NSS were considered by TPC Chairs
 - Already reviewed by NSS TPC members

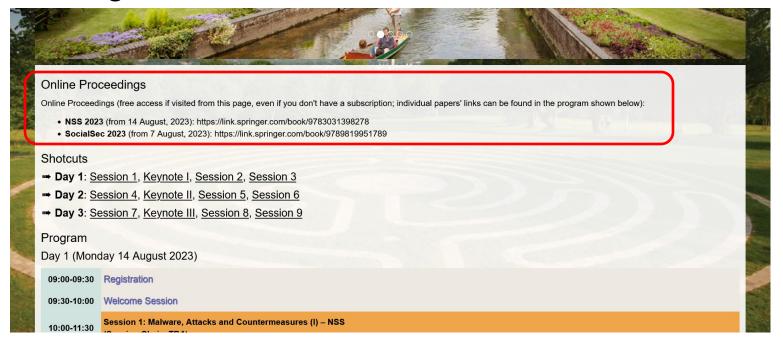


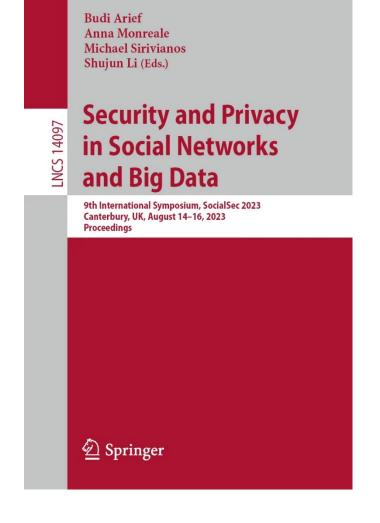


SocialSec 2023 conference proceedings



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 - Tianqing Zhu, University of Technology Sydney, Australia
- The Steering Committee was recently established. If you are interested in hosting a future edition of SocialSec, please send a proposal to the Chair.
 - SocialSec 2024 has been decided to be co-located with NSS 2024, again.



Joint Report from NSS-SocialSec 2023 TPC Co-Chairs

Shared keynotes



- Day 1: Monday 14th August 11:45-12:45
 - Julia Hesse, IBM Research Zurich, Switzerland
 How Cryptography Can Help You to Stop Telling Your
 Passwords to Everybody
- Day 2: Tuesday 15th August 11:00-12:00
 - Nishanth Sastry, University of Surrey, UK
 Monitoring & Mitigating Online Harms: Is
 Redecentralisation the Answer to Partisanship, Hate
 Speech, Tracking etc.?
- Day 3: Wednesday 16th August 11:00-12:00
 - Lorenzo Cavallaro, University College London (UCL), UK Trustworthy Al... for Systems Security







Joint single-track conference program



- Day 1: Monday 14th August

- 10:00-11:30 Session 1: Malware, Attacks and Countermeasures (I) NSS (4 papers)
- 14:00-15:35 Session 2: Information Abuse and Political Discourse SocialSec (4 papers)
- 16:00-17:35 Session 3: Blockchain NSS + SocialSec (4 papers)

- Day 2: Tuesday 15th August

- 09:00-10:35 Session 4: Security Mechanisms, Social Structure and Community NSS + SocialSec (4 papers)
- 13:30-14:45 Session 5: Security in the Wild NSS (3 papers)
- 15:00-16:15 Session 6: Malware, Attacks and Countermeasures (II) SocialSec (3 papers)

- Day 3: Wednesday 16th August

- 09:00-10:30 Session 7: System and Hardware Security NSS (4 papers)
- 13:00-14:45 Session 8: Privacy and Machine Learning (I) NSS + SocialSec (5 papers)
- 15:00-16:30 Session 9: Privacy and Machine Learning (II) NSS (4 papers)

Best Paper and Best Student Paper Awards



- For both conferences, one paper has been selected to receive the Best Paper Award, and a second paper whose first author is a student has been selected to receive the Best Student Paper Award.
- All four awards will be announced on Tuesday 15th August at the conference dinner.
- In addition to a certificate, there is also a cash prize sponsored by the Institute of Cyber Security for Society (iCSS), University of Kent.





Enjoy your stay at NSS-SocialSec 2023!