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CyAN Announcements

The CyAN Mentorship Programme returns for autumn 2026

8 September 2026

Ten CyAN members are giving their time over the next three months to mentor people building careers in cybersecurity, one to one: Daniela Fabian (Switzerland), Amna Almadhoob (Bahrain), Saba Bagheri (Australia), John Salomon (Spain), Subela Bhatia (UAE), Mohammed Shakil Khan (UAE), Bharat Raigangar (UAE), Mathew Nicho (UAE), Tania Tanic (Canada) and Jean-Manuel Bullukian (United States). Pairs meet at least once a fortnight through to mid-December, when mentees write an article for the CyAN blog and join CyAN as members. Mentees will be introduced as the programme progresses. [Read the announcement](#) · [LinkedIn post](#).

CyAN is Community Partner of the Trust & Safety Festival Sydney 2026

1 September 2026

CyAN is Community Partner of the Trust & Safety Festival Sydney, 8 to 9 October at Pullman Sydney Hyde Park, co-founded by CyAN Global VP Kim Chandler McDonald. The Festival brings together practitioners across trust and safety, cybersecurity, technology, policy, regulation, law and research. [Read the announcement](#).

White Hat CVE of the Week



Courtesy of [White Hat IT Security](#), led by CyAN member [Sándor Féher](#)

Week 34 — CVE-2026-9198

21 August 2026

IBM Langflow OSS 1.0.0 through 1.10.0, CVSS 9.8 (critical). Two API endpoints chain into unauthenticated remote code execution; public proof-of-concept code exists and the flaw is exploited in the wild. [Full summary on the CyAN site](#).

Week 35 — CVE-2026-24301 (CoSnitch)

28 August 2026

Microsoft Copilot, CVSS 8.8 (high). A command-injection flaw combines automatic prompt execution, data exfiltration and persistent memory poisoning, so an attacker can trick the assistant into handing over user data. [Full summary on the CyAN site](#).

Week 36 — CVE-2026-72898

4 September 2026

Metabase self-hosted Community and Enterprise/Pro, CVSS 10.0 (critical). Unauthenticated SQL injection via the password-reset endpoint gives administrator access to the instance; White Hat reports the flaw already linked to real-world breaches. [Full summary on the CyAN site](#).

News from Around the World

US seizes domains of a China-linked botnet that targeted NASA, the Federal Reserve and the Senate. The Justice Department announced the takedown of the QTFY botnet on 26 August; on 29 August it revised its statement to say the named agencies were targeted, not all breached, and the NSA said Senate systems were scanned without success. ([CNN](#)) ([AI Jazeera](#))

McKesson tells the SEC that attackers exfiltrated data from its oncology and surgical units. The pharmaceutical distributor says the intrusion came through a third-party application and warns customers of intermittent service degradation; ShinyHunters claims responsibility. ([The Record](#))

A 30-hour DDoS attack knocks ten Norwegian public digital services offline. The Digitalisation Agency says the attack on its IT partner's infrastructure was two to three times larger than earlier waves since June and that no sensitive data was accessed. ([The Record](#))

Thomson Reuters court software breach exposes records across 11 US states and Canada. West Publishing confirms unauthorised access to C-Track backup data from March to June 2026, potentially including Social Security numbers and medical details; Montana's Supreme Court verified the timeline. ([The Hacker News](#))

G7 and CISA tell organisations to start moving to post-quantum cryptography now. The joint call to action, published 3 September, cites "harvest now, decrypt later" collection and asks organisations to inventory sensitive systems and fold quantum-resistant algorithms into routine upgrades. ([CISA](#))

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Subela Bhatia — Cyber enablers, not integrators, in the age of AI

[Subela Bhatia](#) · CyAN member

Interviewed in the August 2026 issue of Channel Post MEA, Subela argues that channel partners must move from integrating products to enabling accountable, adaptable security, with cybersecurity treated as a living discipline rather than a one-off deployment. [Read the August issue](#) · [LinkedIn post](#).



Tania Tanic — Cyber insurance is not cyber resilience

[Tania Tanic](#) · CyAN member

Insurance protects part of the balance sheet; it does not transfer executive accountability, regulatory obligations or operational continuity. Tania cites average French cyber claims of €121,718 in 2024 and Canadian recovery costs that doubled between 2021 and 2023, and asks boards whether they can still decide, notify and operate mid-incident. [Read more](#) (also [in French](#)).



Aman Dev — From compliance to cyber resilience in Dubai

[Aman Dev](#) · CyAN mentorship participant

In his article on why Dubai's digital future needs strong governance, cloud security and risk management, Aman looks at how GRC, compliance frameworks and secure cloud practice combine in real environments, and thanks his CyAN mentors for the guidance. [Read more](#).



Kim Chandler McDonald — Resilience is not a substitute for responsibility

Kim Chandler McDonald · CyAN Global VP

Responding to OpenAI's call for a global surge in cyber defence, Kim agrees on intelligence sharing and collaboration but warns against telling society to simply get better at absorbing blows: if frontier AI raises attacker capability, the responsibility sits with those who build and release it. [Read more](#).

Also from our members: [Bharat Raigangar](#) speaks at CyberX UAE 2026 in Dubai on 10 September, with CyAN as community partner ([post](#)); Kim Chandler McDonald marks International Women in Cyber Day ([post](#)) and on why a safer internet must include seniors, not only children ([post](#)); Tania Tanic continues her French-language series *Et si c'était demain ?* on recovery time and data-loss tolerance ([post](#)).

Partners & Community

Cyber OSPAs 2027: entries open, CyAN a supporting association

The Outstanding Security Performance Awards open free entry for the 2027 Cyber OSPAs, organised with the National Cyber Security Show and International Cyber Expo; nominations close 19 January 2027. CyAN is listed among the supporting associations. [How to enter](#) · [LinkedIn post](#).

Epieos turns six

CyAN member Sylvain Hajri launched the first version of the OSINT tool Epieos on 20 August 2020; the company marked the anniversary this fortnight and CyAN shared the milestone. [Read more](#).

Member Spotlight



Ahmet Can Kan

Product Manager, Cyber Threat Intelligence · PRODAFT · Barcelona, Spain

Ahmet manages threat-intelligence products at PRODAFT, where he earlier led research and development. Before that he spent four years in Nestlé's global CyberSOC on offensive security, red-team coordination and forensics, and four years as a security evaluator at Brightsight testing contactless-payment software against PCI requirements. He studied at Sabanci University in Istanbul.

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Upcoming Events

CyberX UAE 2026

10 September 2026 · Dubai · CyAN community partner

CyAN board member Bharat Raigangar speaks. [Event details](#).

GISEC GLOBAL 2026

16 to 18 September 2026 · Dubai · CyAN community partner

One of the region's largest cybersecurity exhibitions; CyAN board member Bharat Raigangar attends. [Event details](#).

Ai Everything Abu Dhabi

6 October 2026 · Abu Dhabi · CyAN Knowledge Partner

CyAN is Knowledge Partner of the AI summit. [Event details](#).

Trust & Safety Festival Sydney 2026

8 to 9 October 2026 · Sydney · CyAN Community Partner

Two days across trust and safety, cybersecurity, policy and law, with a reception on 7 October. [Event details](#).

MaTeCC 2026

2 to 3 December 2026 · Rabat · CyAN partner

Fourth edition of the Moroccan cybersecurity conference. [Event details](#).

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