

PERSONAL INFORMATION Alessandro Cantelli-Forti

POSITION Researcher in Cybersecurity and Digital Forensics

WORK EXPERIENCE

February, 2012 - to present

Researcher

National Inter-University Consortium for Telecommunications, Radar and Surveillance Systems National Lab

Since 2012 is a researcher of the "Radar and Surveillance Systems" (RaSS) National Laboratory of Pisa. Main research topics are cybersecurity, forensic engineering and incident management and remediation.

I was involved in several EU, Italian Ministry of Defense, Italian Ministry of Education, Universities and Research founded projects such as SMARP, SCOUT, HABITAT, ISAR-SKY, X-WALD, RING, COGITO and coordinated personally acquired projects: NavOp, Water4AgriFood, Anti-Drones.

In 2018, the research activity involved in the NATO AFSC Small Scale Study Project IV on "Information Assurance" (AFSC SSS-IA), for which my working group received a letter of appreciation signed by the NATO Chief Scientist Dr. Thomas H. Killion.

In the biennium 2020-2021 I was the research manager for the Cyber Resilience implementation of two projects funded by the Italian MoD called SMART-AESA, directed by Leonardo S.p.A. and ISS, coordinated by Drass Underwater Technology S.r.I. The two projects respectively deal with cyber risk management in radar systems for hypersonic threats and with the whole IT chain in military underwater environment.

I was appointed digital evidence expert of the court in several criminal cases such as the accidents of ships Costa Concordia, Norman Atlantic, Efe Murat, Msc Opera, Costa Deliziosa,the high-speed train accident occurred in Parma of November 2021, so-called "Diesel-Gate" scandal of Audi-Porsche, and Mottarone-cableway tragedy. The investigations for the Costa Concordia case lasted four years under the direct coordination of Admiral Cavo Dragone, Joint Operations Headquarters Commander. The research activities and the international collaborations developed in the framework of these projects have led to the publication of scientific papers and technical reports.

June, 2019 - September, 2022

NATO Project Director

Scientific and technical coordination of the Anti-Drones - Innovative concept to detect, recognize and track "killer-drones" project of the NATO Science for Peace and Security Programme, Emerging Security Challenges Division. Grant number: G5633 of 12 June, 2019. Total budget: 398014EUR

September, 2020 - to present

European Defence Agency non-governmental expert

Non-governmental expert of Cyber Defence Capability Technology Area (CapTech)

July, 2015 – to present

Co-founder of ECHOES s.r.l

Co-founder of ECHOES, a CNIT spin-off company developing on radar systems

October, 2021 - to present

Lecturer

Universita' degli Studi di Genova

Network Forensics Advanced Training Course held at Joint Telecommunications School, Stelmilit in Chiavari (GE), a.y. 2021/2022

November, 2020

Lecturer

Universita' degli Studi di Modena e Reggio Emilia

Gestione del processo di Incident Management e Remediation, 1st-level Master in Cyber Defence Governance held at Joint Telecommunications School, Stelmilit in Chiavari (GE), a.y. 2020/2021

May, 2019 Lecturer

Universita' degli Studi di Modena e Reggio Emilia

Forensic Engineering: case study Cyberacademy Advanced Training Course in Cyber Security, a.y. 2018/2019

March - May, 2014

Fixed Term Professor

Universita' degli Studi di Napoli «Parthenope» Network Security 2nd-level Master, a.v. 2013/2014

March - May, 2013 Fixed Term Professor

Universita' degli Studi di Napoli «Federico II» Network Security 2nd-level Master, a.y. 2012/2013

November 2017 - October, 2018

Internship

WebLab Laboratory, Department of Engineering «Enzo Ferrari», Università degli Studi di Modena e Reggio Emilia, Modena

As part of the PhD scholarship

April 2016 – July, 2017

Guest Lecturer in Digital Forensics applied to industrial accidents

Guest lecturer for EMAIF (Marine Accident Investigators' International Forum), MAIB (Marine Accident Investigation Branch, United Kingdom), and DIGIFEMA (Direzione Generale per le Investigazioni Ferroviarie e Marittime, Italy) about naval safety and information security at University of Cranfield (UK) and at Southampton UK Ministry Offices.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

October 2015 - April, 29 2019

Ph.D. Program in Information Engineering of the Engineering Ph.D. School "Leonardo da Vinci" of the University of Pisa

Final grade: excellent

Università degli studi di Pisa - Pisa

Ph.D. Thesis Developing innovative cybersecurity tecniques for protection of critical infrastructure

September, 2013 Summer School on Computer Security & Privacy, Department of Electrical and Electrinic Engineering



Università degli studi di Cagliari - Cagliari

Final Examination Building trust in the Information Age

July, 15 2011 Bachelor's and Master's degree in Computer Science Engineering

Università degli studi di Genova - Genoa

Master's Thesis Studio ed analisi di un data-link tra sottosistemi di un radar HF-OTH di tipo skywave

August, 2001 ELP Program, Academic Plus

UCSD, University of California, San Diego

Academic Program Plus English Language Program

PUBLICATIONS

A. Cantelli-Forti, M. Colajanni, "Digital Forensics in Vessel Transportation Systems", Lecture Notes in Computer Science LNCS, Springer, DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-45371-8_23

A. Cantelli-Forti, A. Capria et al., "SCOUT Multitech SeCurity system for intercOnnected space control groUnd staTions: System Architecture and Experimental Results", submitted to: Inter-national Journal of Critical Infrastructure Protection (IJCIP), Elsevier, DOI: 10.1016/i.iicip.2020.100407

L. Fiorentini, L. Marmo and A. Cantelli-Forti, Book chapter "Fire on board of a ferryboat", Book chapter in Principles of Forensic Engineering Applied to Industrial Accidents, pp. 280-296, ISBN: 978-1-118-96280-0, Wiley, Dec 2018

Cantelli-Forti, "Forensic Analysis of Industrial Critical Systems: The Costa Concordia's Voyage Data Recorder Case", Proc. of 2018 IEEE International Conference on Smart Computing (SMARTCOMP), pp. 458-463, June 2018, DOI: 10.1109/SMARTCOMP.2018.00046

A. Cantelli-Forti, M. Colajanni, Adversarial Fingerprinting of Cyber Attacks based on Stateful Honeypots, Proceedings of the 2018 International Conference on Computational Science and Computational Intelligence, Las Vegas USA, DOI: 10.1109/CSCI46756.2018.00012

W. Matta, A. Cantelli-Forti, An innovative Airport Physical-cyber Security System (APSS), Information & Security: An International Journal, 2018, DOI: DOI: 10.11610/isij.4321

Capria A., Moscardini C., Conti M., Cantelli Forti A., Berizzi F. and al, "Passive radar research activity at Lab RaSS-CNIT", presented to IEEE South Australia Workshop on Passive Radar, Ade-laide, Australia, 23-24 November, 2015.

A. Capria, D. Petri, C. Moscardini, M. Conti, A. Cantelli-Forti et al., "Software-defined Multi-band Array Passive Radar (SMARP) demonstrator: A test and evaluation perspective", Proc. of OCEANS 2015, pp. 1-6, Genoa, 2015, 18-21 May 2015

B. Chiaia, R. Sicari, A.Cantelli-Forti et al., "Incendio della Motonave Norman Attlantic: Indagini Multidisciplinari in Incidente Probatorio", IF CRASC Conference on Forensic Engineering, Politecnico di Milano, 14-16 Settembre 2017

A. Cantelli-Fori, "Tactical Digital Forensics per Infrastructure Critiche, Book Chapter, Legal Tech Forum Report 2021, EAN:9788828837633

Callegari, C.; Cantelli Forti, A.; D'Amore, G.; de la Hoz, E.; Santamaria, D.; García-Ferreira, I. and López-Civera, G. (2016). An Architecture for Securing Communications in Critical Infrastructure. In Proceedings of the 13th International Joint Conference on e-Business and Telecommunications - DOI: 10.5220/0006016801110120

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