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EUNIS Information
Security SIG



EUNIS

EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY
INFORMATION SYSTEMS

About EUNIS



- European **U**niversity **I**nformation **S**ystems organisation (founded 1993)
- Mission:
“Help member institutions develop their IT landscape by sharing experiences and working together”
- Members
 - Institutions (HEIs, national organisations; around 100 from 23 countries)
 - Corporate members (sponsors)
 - Individual members

Education • Interviews • Magazine

Interview with Evelien Renders, President of EUNIS – How can we all contribute to improving education?

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Evelien Renders speaking at TNC24 in Rennes, France. Photo by Mael Gonnet



Grace Cooper



Evelien Renders works at SURF as an advisor for international collaboration and has recently been appointed as the President of EUNIS. CONNECT spoke with Evelien, who delves into her various roles and provides an insight into what EUNIS means to the community.

“EUNIS is all about connecting people who are passionate about using technology to improve higher education across Europe. We bring together IT professionals, university leaders, and researchers to share knowledge, collaborate on projects, and influence policy for digital transformation. It’s a space where we can learn from each other and push for a future where technology genuinely enhances education and research.”

<https://connect.geant.org/2024/11/27/interview-with-evelien-renders-president-of-eunis-how-can-we-all-contribute-to-improving-education>

Special Interest Groups



Learning & Teaching

EUNIS Learning & Teaching Special Interest Group members are interested in supporting all aspects of learning & teaching through technology. The group runs various projects and activities including an annual workshop and managing the EUNIS Dørup E-learning Award.



Student Mobility

Student Mobility is a self-established group of IT implementers and stakeholders which contributes to the definition and adoption of standards and procedures for the digital exchange of information to facilitate mobility and lifelong learning in the European Higher Education area and beyond



Benchmarking (BenchEIT)

BenchEIT is a EUNIS Task Force and an annually repeating study where participating universities collect key figures of their IT operations to be able to position themselves, to recognise best practises and to see if their IT is as effective – or better – than elsewhere.



Business Intelligence

Business Intelligence is a Special Interest Group of EUNIS focused on the application of Business Intelligence (BI) in European Higher Education Institutions (HEI).



Enterprise Architecture

The main role of the Enterprise Architecture Special Interest Group is to display the EA work done within the sector, harmonize used terminology, be enabler for producing descriptions that can be used for mapping thus showcasing a European wide set of HEI services in a unified form.



Information Security

The EUNIS Information Security (InfoSec) group focuses on the current challenges of the information security field. It aims to share knowledge about information security development and compliance, as well as solutions to support the implementation of the GDPR from the information security point of view.



Cloud Management

The Cloud Management Community Group is focused on the common challenges HEI meet by introducing and managing cloud usage.



AR/VR

The AR/VR Special Interest Group is dedicated to sharing on the potential uses of virtual reality and augmented reality in Higher Education.

Information Security Special Interest Group

- Established 2017 to help member institutions build up and improve information security management systems (ISMS) and capabilities
- Use and share information and expertise that is available at member institutions
- Ca. 40 members

Leads

- Asbjørn Reglund Thorsen, CISO at SIKT, Oslo, Norway
- Thorsten Küfer, ITSO at FH Münster, Germany

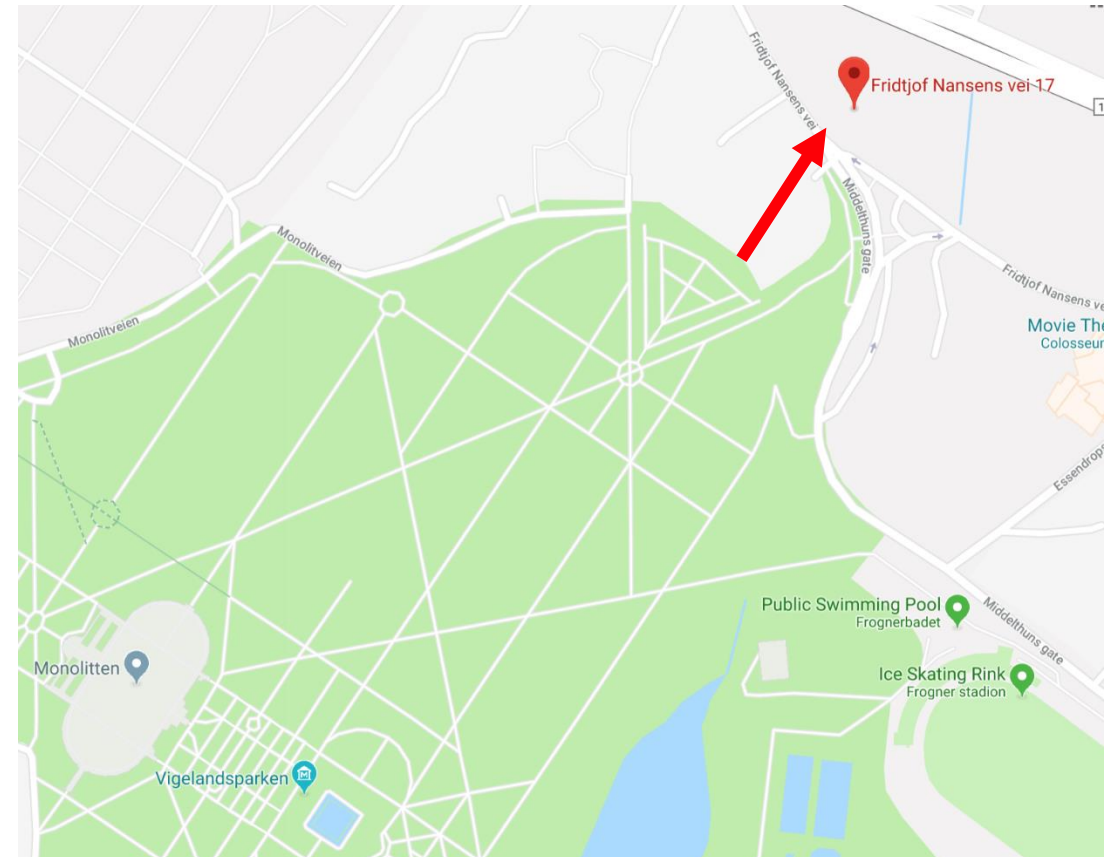
Asbjørn Reglund Thorsen

- CISO in Sikt (Working from the Oslo office)
- 50% compliance, 50% technical
- Fortunate to work with good security people at Sikt
- Cand.Scient from the University of Oslo
- Master informatics at Simula Research Laboratory in 2005
- Started as a developer in the National Admission Service (UCAS) at USIT in 2005
- Group leader for the developers of UCAS for about 10 years
- Very interested in new technology and how things are "put together"
- Security geek and penetration tester since 2008 Specialized in web security (Blackhat, Defcon...etc)

SIKT



- Sikt - Norwegian Agency for Shared Services in Education and Research
- Merged from Unit, Uninett in 2022
- Offices in Oslo, Trondheim and Bergen



Thorsten Küfer

- IT Security Specialist for more than 15 years
- Former head of University of Münster Computer Emergency Response Team (WWU-CERT) (until 31.12.2022)
- Chief Information Security Officer at University of Münster (until 31.12.2022)
- IT Security Officer at FH Münster - University of Applied Sciences (since 01.01.2023)
- Part of FH Münster Information Security Office
<https://www.fh-muenster.de/en/informationssicherheit/>

- University located in Münster, North-Western Germany
- 15.000 Students, 1.300 Staff
- Offices in Münster and Steinfurt



Topics of interest in the SIG

Set-up of organisational structures for information security

- Resolve responsibilities within organization (target group CIO/CISO/DPO)

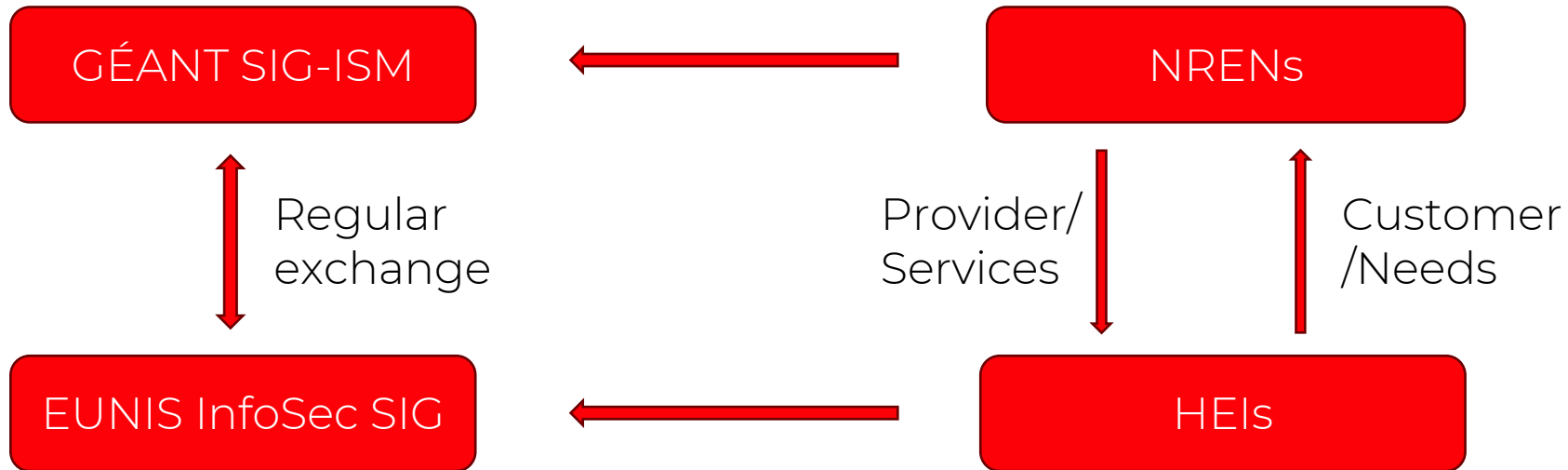
Set-up of operational structures for information security

- Incident response team (target group IRT/CERT)
- Proactive and reactive activities (CSIRT Services)

Regular exchanges happen

- Virtually via Zoom ("Coffee Breaks" and Webinars)
- Occasionally F2F: workshop and session(s) at EUNIS conference

Improve EUNIS-GÉANT cooperation



Examples: EduVPN, Vulnerability Management, TCS, CLAW Crisis Training

Current activities

- NIS2 Workshop
 - Online, 29. April 2025
- EUNIS Annual Congress
 - <https://eunis.org/eunis2025/>
 - Belfast, 4.-6. June 2025

EUNIS Annual Congress 2025

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