

Usable Security Experiment Reports (USER) Workshop

Call for Papers

July 14, 2010, Redmond, WA

The USER workshop is an opportunity for researchers to discuss their experiences in conducting user studies in usable security, and for newcomers to learn from this collective experience. We hope to bring together researchers with backgrounds in security or usability, to share knowledge of how to collect appropriate data for conducting suitable security analysis and meaningful usability evaluation.

We seek experiment reports on user studies in usable security. These should describe the experimental design and its reasoning, challenges and how these were addressed, insight to improve future studies, and reflections on the effectiveness or limitations of the study. We are also interested in novel approaches to quantitative or qualitative data analysis to evaluate either security or usability, perhaps drawing from approaches in other disciplines.

Topics may include (but are not limited to):

- designing studies that reflect realistic user behaviour,
- conducting realistic attack studies that fall within ethical guidelines,
- collecting data that allows for appropriate security and usability analysis,
- novel analysis techniques for security or usability,
- designing studies that allow for meaningful results while meeting ethical guidelines,
- quantitative and qualitative methods of analysis

Researchers who are submitting results of user studies to SOUPS are encouraged to also submit a USER workshop paper, discussing their methodology and experience in more detail. We also encourage submissions of experiment reports for user studies intended for other venues. Workshop papers should include new content, not simply repeat methodological details already available in other papers about the same work. Workshop papers will be available on the SOUPS website, but will not be included in the ACM Digital library. Authors of accepted papers will be invited to present their work at the workshop.

Note that SOUPS paper submissions will be judged independently of USER workshop submissions.

Submissions

We invite authors to submit original papers using the SOUPS formatting template (LaTeX or MS Word). Submissions should be 2 to 6 pages in length, exclusive of any appendices for study materials (such as questionnaires, scenarios, tasks, institutional review board applications, etc.). The paper should be self-contained without requiring that readers also read the appendices. The appendices need not conform to the formatting template. All submissions must be in PDF format and should not be blinded. Email inquiries and submissions to:

userworkshop@hotsoft.carleton.ca

Important dates

Submission deadline: May 8, 2010, 5:00pm PST
Notification of acceptance: June 3, 2010
Final papers for website : June 12, 2010, 5:00pm PST

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