

Namibia shines at Collegiate Cyber Defence Invitational

Namibia recently participated in the International Collegiate Cyber Defence Invitational - a cybersecurity competition which aims to create awareness of cybersecurity and encourages peer-to-peer learning.



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Participating universities and colleges came from the US, Namibia, and Indonesia with Namibia being represented by Delta Secondary School (DSS).

The object of the competition was to learn, teach, help and, ultimately, create awareness among computer-users of cybersecurity, hacking, and how they can protect themselves against real potential threats.

In previous years, teams had not been allowed to assist each other in blocking the attacks coming from the RED team ("hackers") but this year teams could collaborate and peer-to-peer learning was encouraged.

Universities joined forces in "defending teams" while the "hacker" teams were made up of industry experts, both from the private and public sectors.

Llewellyn le Hané, founder of Green Enterprise Solutions said: "We feel strongly about creating awareness and educating Namibia and Namibians about cyber threats and hacking and this is why we support this fantastic initiative. We assisted both on the hacking team and also had a well-trained judge on the judging panel."

"It especially fills us with pride to see a Namibian school, Delta Secondary School, winning in the category Best Attackers Choice Team as well as getting an honourable mention for being one of the Best collaborative teams. To us, this means that Namibia's ICT-security future is in safe hands," Le Hané concluded.

Category winners

- Best index score: BYUU (Brigham Young University Utah)
- Honourable mention: Ever Green (Evergreen College)
- Best collaborative team: BYUU (Brigham Young University Utah)
- Honourable Mention: DSS (Delta Secondary School)
- Best Uptime: BYUU (Brigham Young University Utah)
- Honourable Mention: DSS (Delta Secondary School)
- Attackers choice team: DSS (Delta Secondary School)
- Honourable Mention: BYUU (Brigham Young University Utah)

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