



#### **Developing a DDoS Clearing House for Europe**

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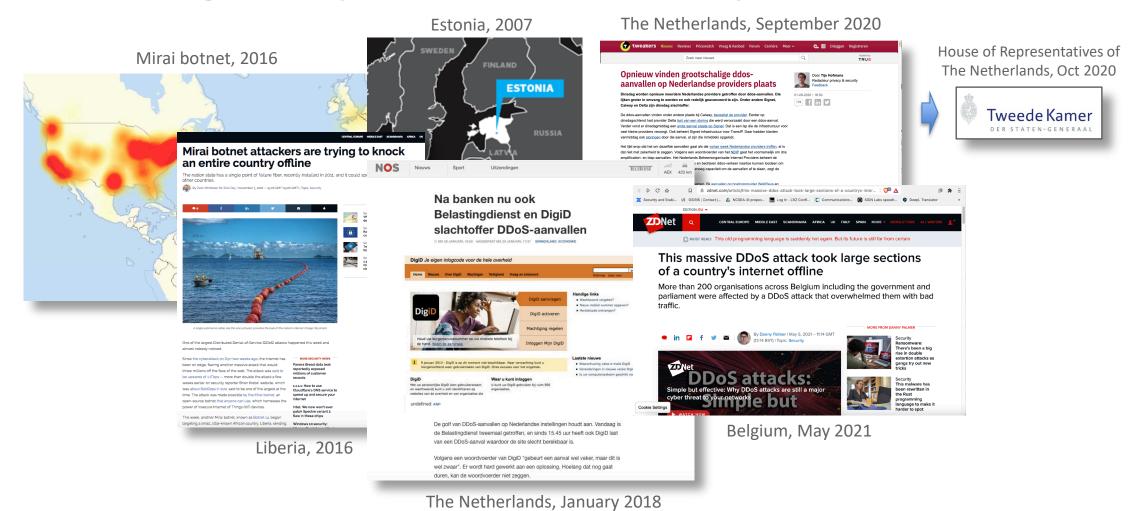
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## **High-impact DDoS Examples**





### **Problem**

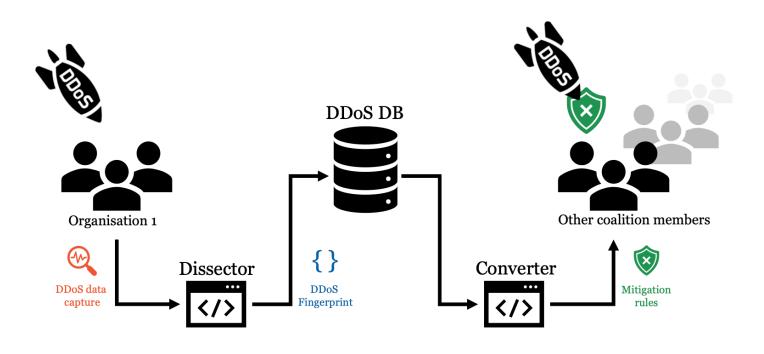
 Mature DDoS mitigation services (e.g., scrubbing), routinely handling large numbers of DDoS attacks

- BUT no sharing of DDoS data and expertise across organizations
  - Longer responses: same learning curve multiple times, errors under pressure
  - Reduces innovation of mitigation processes and systems at ecosystem level
  - DDoS data "stuck" in systems of (US-based) DDoS mitigation providers

Increases probability of societal disruptions, reduces digital autonomy



## **DDoS Clearing House Concept**



**Extends** DDoS protection services that service providers use and does not replace them

```
fingerprint a38e5062b69fd7b8c5194fa7698398a7
attack_vectors: [
     protocol: "TCP
     source_port: 80
     fraction of attack: 1.0
     destination_ports: "random
     TCP flags: {
     nr_flows: 5077
     nr_packets: 20308000
     nr_megabytes: 30599
     time start: "2022-01-23 01:28:00"
     time end: "2022-01-23 01:29:56"
     duration seconds: 116
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target: "Anonymous
tags: [
  "TCP"
   "TCP ACK flag attack"
key: "a38e5062b69fd7b8c5194fa7698398a7"
time start: "2022-01-23 01:28:00"
duration_seconds: 116
total flows: 5077
total_megabytes: 30599
total_packets: 20308000
total_ips: 4
avg_bps: 2110318068
avg_pps: 175068
avg Bpp: 1506
submitter: "thijs"
submit_timestamp: "2022-01-25T13:50:13.818348"
shareable: False
```



# **DDoS Clearing House: Use-inspired research**



- DDoS clearing house R&D
- Clearing house distributed testbed
- Technical evaluation through pilots in the Netherlands and Italy
- DDoS clearing house cookbook

- Using CONCORDIA's results
- Sharing of operational experience
- Large-scale multi-party DDoS drills
- DDoS clearing house operations
- Operational ADC organization



## **Dutch Anti-DDoS Coalition (NL-ADC)**





**CONCORDIA** partner







CONCORDIA partner



























### **NL-ADC Overview**

• Objective: further improve the resilience of Dutch critical services

• Strategies: sharing of DDoS measurements (clearing house), large scale collaborative drills, sharing expertise

 Organization: structure of WGs, clearing house operator and software developer, "core team" governing the initiative



# **DDoS Clearing House Testbed (5 mins)**





## From testbed to pilot to production

- DDoS fingerprint experiment at next NL-ADC DDoS drill
  - A-B testing with different blue teams
  - Collaborate with UT for methodological support

Scale up testbed to pilots in the Netherlands and Italy

- Transition to production
  - Hire product owner using Dutch gov't subsidy
  - Move s/w engineering from CONCORDIA to NL-ADC
  - DDoS-DB operation from SIDN Labs to NBIP



# **Further reading**

https://www.sidnlabs.nl/en/news-and-blogs/reducing-the-economic-impact-of-ddos-attacks-through-anti-ddos-coalitions

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Dutch Anti-DDoS Coalition: https://www.nomoreddos.org/en/

Clearing house on GitHub: https://github.com/ddos-clearing-house/

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