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SOLUTION BRIEF

FortiSOAR: Optimize OT Security Operations

Executive Summary

The convergence of operational technology (OT) and information technology (IT) infrastructures continues to accelerate. And as publicized attacks and industry warnings increase, organizations must now prioritize securing their OT assets and infrastructure.

But this process cannot happen in isolation. Years of IT security operations center (SOC) experience have clearly shown the critical need to centralize, standardize, and automate SecOps top to bottom. Security orchestration, automation, and response (SOAR) software is designed to fulfill this need, enabling SOC teams to efficiently process all security alerts, investigate threats, and rapidly respond to attacks.

OT security presents similar operational challenges and requires a similar approach to fully protect the organization. FortiSOAR has extended its industry-leading IT SecOps features to fully encompass unique OT needs with features such as risk-based asset and vulnerability management, MITRE ATT&CK ICS views, OT threat remediation playbooks, and full OT ecosystem integration.

Whether you're extending your SOC to protect OT or growing the cybersecurity capabilities of your OT control center, FortiSOAR is key to your OT security posture, threat responsiveness, and SecOps efficiency.

OT Security and Automation

As digital innovation advances, OT assets have become more open and dependent on network communications and increasingly connected to the larger corporate network. As a result, they are now potentially vulnerable to outside attacks ranging from sabotage to ransomware. Specialized cybersecurity products provide protection and detection across OT operational levels and at the OT/IT network boundary, but monitoring, investigating, and responding to alerts from this array of products is complex and error-prone.

OT security centers that suffer from alert overload and analyst burnout, delayed threat recognition, or inadequate response open the entire enterprise to unacceptable risk. FortiSOAR is the answer to the need for OT security operations.

OT Automation at Work

Standardize proactive security measures by automating riskbased OT monitoring, threat intelligence gathering, vulnerability management, and asset management procedures

Respond immediately to OT alerts by automating alert triage and investigation and triggering real-time and permission-based mitigation procedures, such as firewall updates, asset isolation, and ticket generation

Protect OT assets from outside attack by ensuring OT security solutions and procedures are immediately updated when an intrusion is detected elsewhere in the corporate network



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Nine out of ten OT organizations experienced at least one system intrusion in the past year. Nearly two-thirds of intrusions impacted OT systems.¹



Top-tier organizations are likely to use orchestration and automation and have security tracking and reporting in place.²



Solution Overview

FortiSOAR enables organizations to centralize, standardize, and automate SecOps, IT, OT, and any critical enterprise operation. With broad integrations, rich use-case functions, prebuilt workflows, and simple playbook creation, FortiSoar can help companies dramatically improve their cybersecurity posture, threat responsiveness, and the efficiency of any operation.

Key Features

Automation everywhere

500+ integrations and 800+ playbooks along with robust features and use-case solutions support SOC/NOC/OT automation.

ML-driven recommendation engine

Embedded Al powers automation and decisioning, including alert grouping, threat assessment, and playbook recommendations.

Built-in threat intelligence

Enrich investigations and power actions with built-in FortiGuard Labs global intelligence and your preferred public sources.

Content hub and community

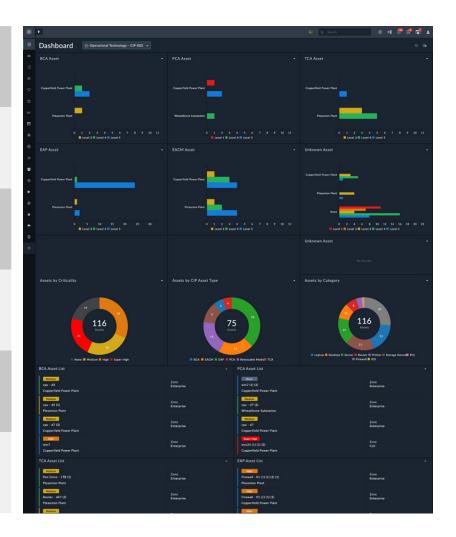
Ever-growing connectors, playbooks, solution packs, bestpractice videos, and community contributions help drive continued benefits.

No/low-code playbook creation

Patented playbook design experience provides visual drag-drop and rapid development modes to create custom playbooks with ease.

Flexible deployment options

FortiSOAR can be deployed on-premises, as a SaaS solution, as cloud software, or as an MSSP service, all with the same robust functionality.

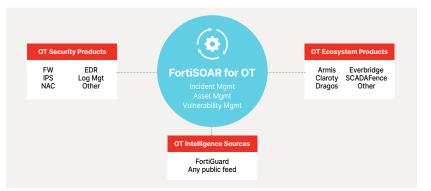


FortiSOAR for OT

Beyond the standard capabilities suitable for any type of operation, FortiSOAR provides additional rich features, content, and integrations tailored to meet OT needs. Whether you are focused solely on automating OT cybersecurity or a modern converged IT/OT SOC, FortiSOAR delivers the OT security automation capabilities you need in a single solution.

FortiSOAR OT features include:

- Connection to OT protection products
- Integration with OT ecosystem solutions
- OT threat intelligence management
- OT incident management and playbooks
- OT asset management solution pack
- OT vulnerability management solution pack



OT Automation Use Cases

Central OT security visibility

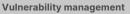
Take full charge of your security posture

Manage OT security using rich dashboards featuring OT asset distribution, risk, and vulnerability status based on the Purdue model. Track open incidents, analyst activities, and threat response SLAs. Easily create custom dashboards.

OT incident investigation and response

React immediately to maintain continuity

Automatically triage, enrich, and assess alerts from OT cybersecurity products and applications. Group alerts to incidents, map to MITRE ATT&CK ICS framework, and execute prebuilt mitigation playbooks or initiate a war room investigation.



Continually protect against new OT CVEs

Evaluate, categorize, and prioritize OT vulnerability scanner results using the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Agency risk-based framework. Assign tasks and execute end-to-end playbooks to patch or mitigate critical vulnerabilities.

Asset management

Keep up with the dynamic asset life cycle

View and report on OT asset inventory along with detailed identification, criticality, vulnerability status, and alert status. Assign, manage, and automate asset change activities and standard procedures.

Threat intelligence management

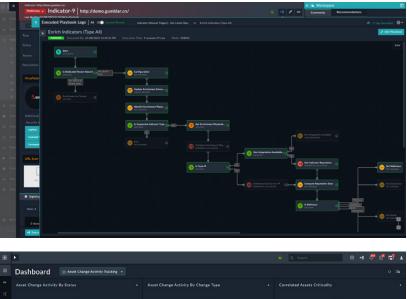
Leverage the latest intel at every step of the way

Use FortiGuard Labs and any standards-based OT intelligence source to automatically enrich alerts and power investigations. Curate and manage feeds to stay current with cybersecurity researchers and attacker trends.

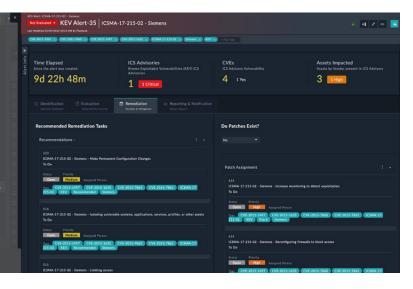
Custom playbook creation

Optimize any workflow with automation

Build custom playbooks leveraging the rich Content Hub library and patented playbook design experience. Utilize the unique low/no-code process to rapidly develop playbooks of any complexity without technical coding skills.



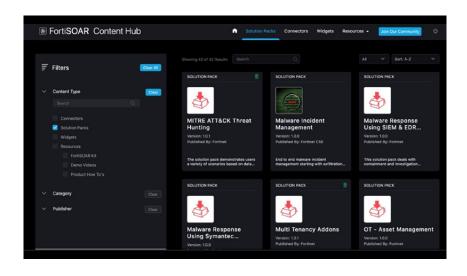




The FortiSOAR Content Hub and Community

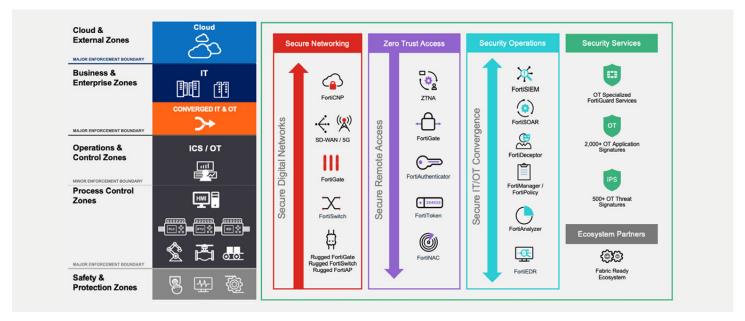
FortiSOAR's Content Hub provides a large and growing library of ready-made product content and useful knowledge via an intuitive web-based and in-product portal. You can easily add valuable new use cases to your solution by leveraging its hundreds of connectors, playbooks, dashboard widgets, and complete solution packs built by the Fortinet team or contributed by the user community. Demo and howto videos deliver tutorials and best practices to get the most from your automation initiatives.

The FortiSOAR Community Portal keeps you in touch with your peers and the latest FortiSOAR news. A moderated discussion board and idea exchange give you immediate access to peer group Q&A, helpful insights and practices, as well as a direct link to Fortinet expert staff.



Fortinet Solutions for OT Security

FortiSOAR is part of the Fortinet portfolio of enterprise security products that ensure the end-to-end protection of converged IT/ OT operations. FortiSOAR is available as a SaaS solution, on-premises or cloud-ready software, and as a managed security service provider (MSSP) service.



¹ 2022 State of Operational Technology and Cybersecurity Report, Fortinet, June 21, 2022.

² Ibid.



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