Six Dimensions of Trust in Autonomous Systems

April 27, 2022 — "Establishing trust for complex systems is hard," writes SEI Director and CEO Paul Nielsen in a recent blog post. "Establishing trust for non-deterministic systems and for systems that continuously learn is even harder."

In *Six Dimensions of Trust in Autonomous Systems*, Nielsen discusses the adoption and growth of autonomous systems and provides six considerations for establishing trust: assurance, vulnerability discovery and analysis, system evolution, human-machine teaming, familiarity, and software quality.

"Autonomy, driven by AI, is present to a large degree in many areas of life today," Nielsen writes. "Widespread, successful adoption depends on solving the trust issues."

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The conference on integrating security into DevOps practices will be held virtually April 27.

International Conference on Software and Systems Processes 2022 Opens Registration and Announces Program
The conference will feature keynote speakers Ita Richardson of the University of Limerick, Grady Booch of IBM, and Tom Longstaff of the SEI.

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In this free webcast, SEI experts Bjorn Andersson and Dionisio de Niz join William Vance of the U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command Aviation & Missile Center to discuss using real-time software on multicore processors.

**INtersect: Where DoD, Academia, and Industry Meet**, May 18
The SEI's Matt Butkovic and Michael Mattarock talk about the SEI's efforts to apply AI techniques to address national security mission needs while leading a national initiative to build a new discipline of AI engineering in this free webcast.

**International Conference on Software and Systems Processes 2022**, May 19-20
This conference gathers researchers and practitioners to share about software and system processes and global software engineering.
AADL/ACVIP User Days 2022, June 2
Speakers at this free forum will present the latest on the Architecture Analysis and Design Language (AADL), the Architecture-Centric Virtual Integration Process (ACVIP), and associated tools.

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