

**Title: "Trends in Ransomware"**

**Abstract:**

Ransomware is an evolving, expanding subject. It presents technical challenges and because of the impact and profile of some ransomware incidents, it increasingly presents policy challenges. This presentation will look at ransomware as seen from the perspective of the UK NCSC, and organisation which has been at the heart of the response to some UK incidents and which issues guidance to assist in the mitigation of such incidents. In the face of considerable media hype about WannaCry, the presentation will take a balanced view of the impact and mitigations.