

National Cyber Security Exercise (NISÖ 2012)

- Conducting the exercise and main lessons learned

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- Why, what and who?

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Purpose

The purpose of NISÖ 2012 is to strengthen society's ability to *manage national IT-related crises*, primarily by developing the ability to cooperate and coordinate between public and private actors.



Objectives

Participating organisations are to:

1. work together to create and uphold a common situational awareness.
2. work together to create consequence and operation assessment.
3. cooperate to create coordinated information to the public and media.
4. cooperate within their individual networks to facilitate coordinated decision-making for efficient use of society's collective resources (technical operative collaboration).
5. apply policies, process and routines for management of serious IT incidents.



Participating organisations

- Participants in NISÖ 2012 were private organisations from the energy, telecommunication and transport sectors together with responsible agencies.
- In total 17 organisations took part in the exercise





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- How?

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Exercise methods

- Real-time simulation, day 1
- Table-top, day 2
- Parallel table top exercise running two days

Simulation exercise
28 November

Table top exercise
29 November



Table top exercise for the national Nordic CERT cooperation
and working group meeting 28-29 November

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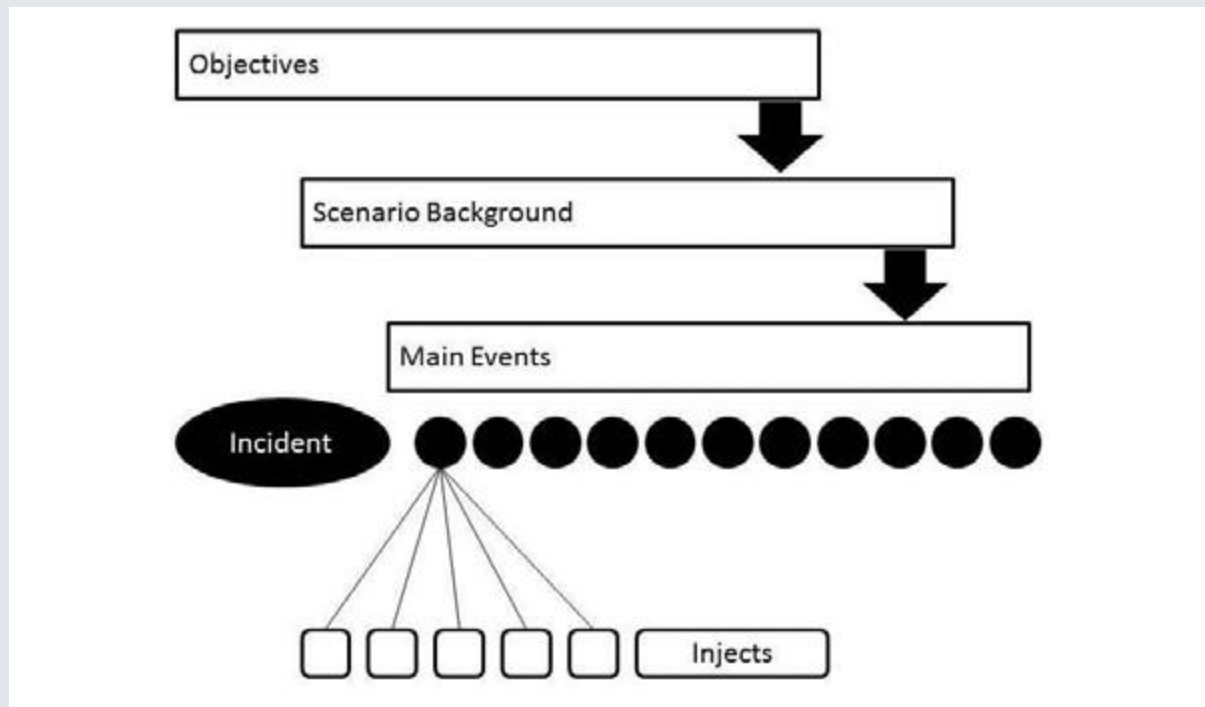
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- The scenario

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From objectives to injects





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- Real-time simulation

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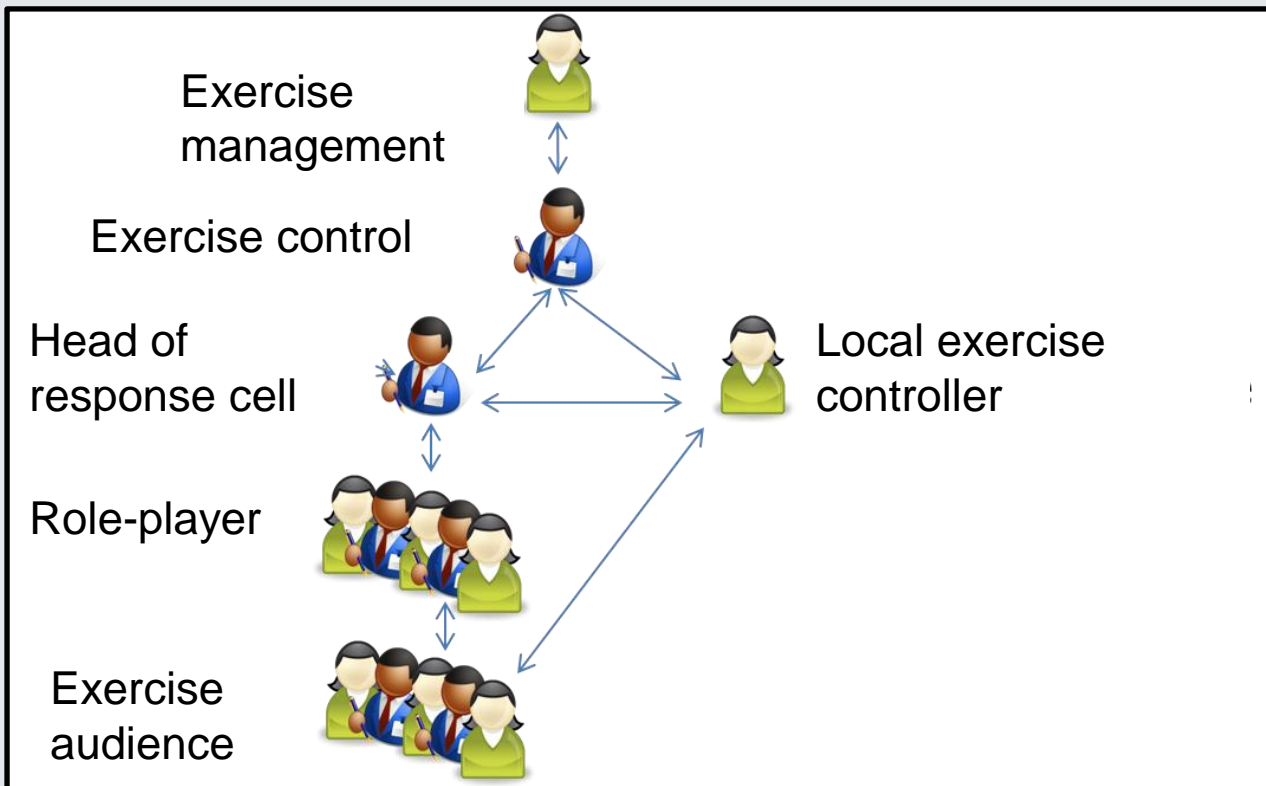


Simulation exercise

The surrounding world is shaped by the exercise control

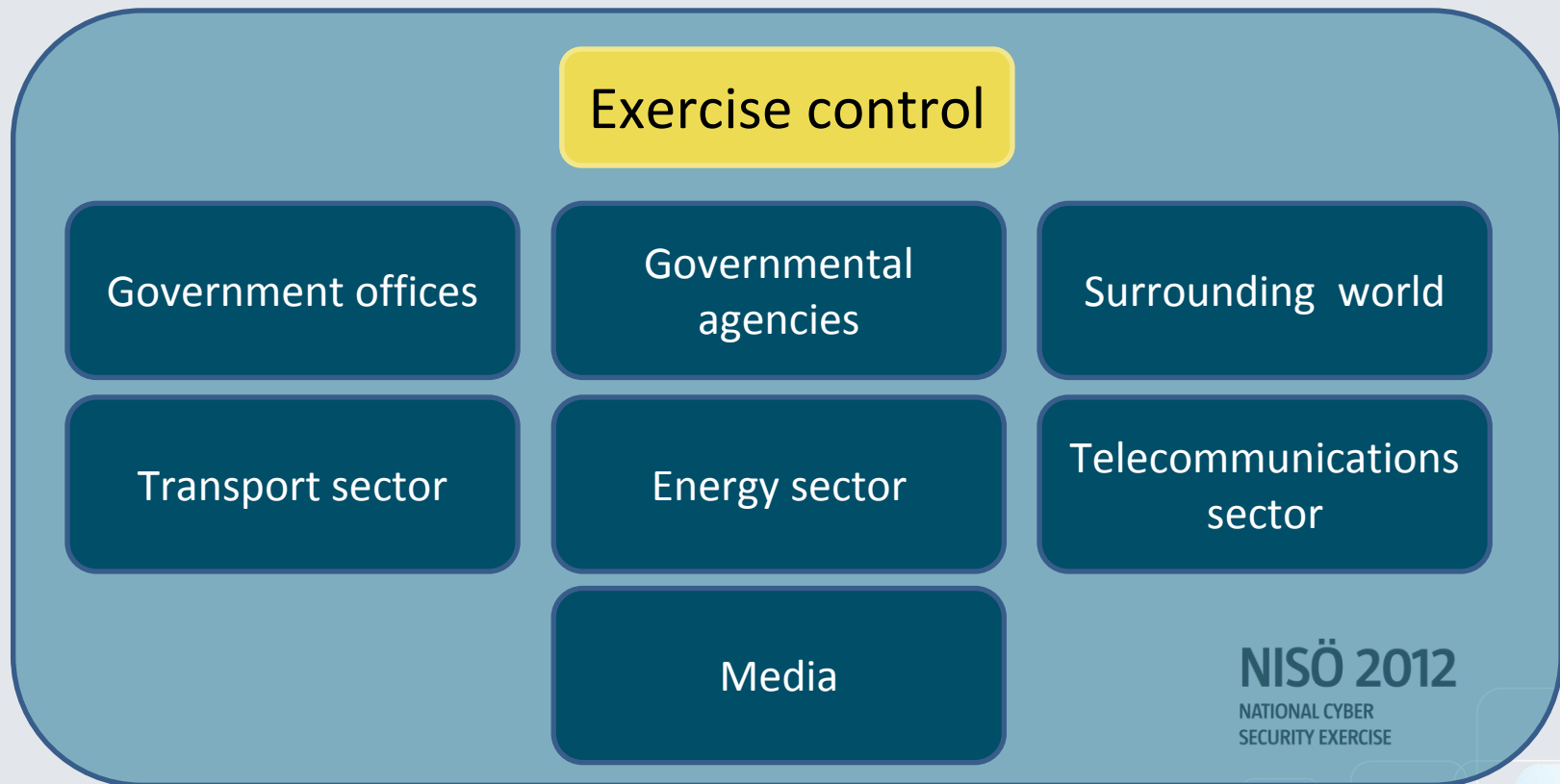
**Participating
organisations
(exercise audience)**

Roles in the exercise control





The exercise control with response cells



Storyline and events

DDoS-attacks and defacements

Information theft and Internet publication

Insider attack (transport sector)

**Hacking attack on the telecommunications
sector**

Hacking attack on the energy sector



Exercise web

14:59 | 2012.11.12

Hackerattack mot myndighetssidor

De militanta nätpiraterna OOMX, Occupy OMX, har slagit till igen.

14:58 | 2012.11.12

Sverige fryser – och rasar över elpriser

– Vi har byggt det här landet. Nu kan vi se att de av våra medlemmar som har elvärme i sina hus knappt har råd att ha sina element påslagna, ...

14:57 | 2012.11.12

De slåss för en bättre värld

Occupy OMX (OOMX) har hittills varit de mest tongivande i debatten. De blev riksända efter att ha genomfört ett antal våldsamma demonstrationer ...

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The dynamic media play

- Tools for the exercise audience to reach the objectives
- Constrained from organisations' own injects
- Only written material
- Produces simulated news for the actors' information gathering
- Articles are published on the exercise web portal
- Flashback and Pastebin





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- Table-top

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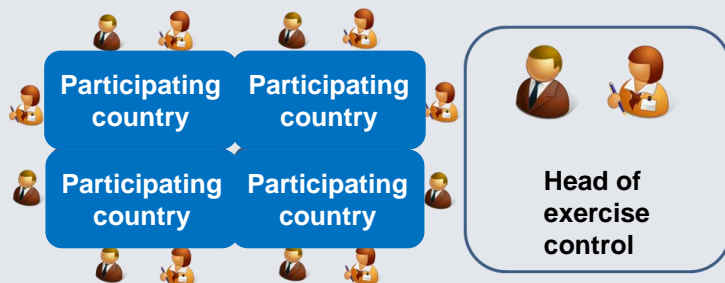
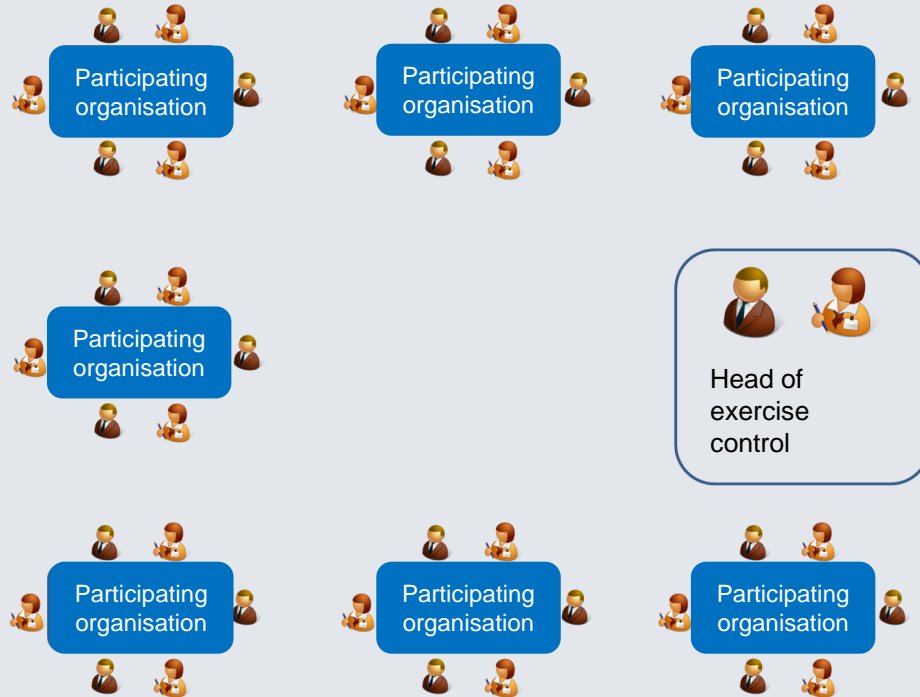


Table-top exercise 1 of 2

- Discussion-based
- Same scenario as simulation-exercise
- Partially prepared
- Analysis of simulation completes preparation
- Possibility of other discussions than during simulation (long-term etc.)

Table-top exercise 2 of 2

NISÖ overall
table-top exercise



NISÖ national
Nordic CERT
Cooperation
table-top exercise

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- Evaluation

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Three evaluation processes for the exercise

- Evaluation focus on objectives
- Evaluation of the planning process
- Evaluation of National Response Plan





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- AAR & Lessons identified

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9 focus areas

- **Cross-sectoral co-operation**
 - Awareness raising activities
 - Strengthen co-operation and information sharing
 - Update policies, plans and processes





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- **Common operational picture**
 - **Improve information sharing and collaboration**
 - **Enhanced capability in analyzing consequences and response measures**





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- **Crisis communication**
 - Further develop structures for collaboration
 - Prepare alternative platforms for communication
 - To be further integrated in crisis management





9 focus areas

- **Prioritizing of resources**
 - Increase knowledge of "available" resources for cyber crisis management





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Thank you for your attention!

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