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Editorial

This issue of the Journal of Information System Security has three papers, each dealing with an aspect of information system security that is emerging to be a major concern for businesses. The first paper is by Sarah Spiekermann and Holger Ziekow of the Humboldt-University of Berlin, Germany. Their paper "RFID: a Systematic Analysis of Privacy Threats & a 7-point plan to adress them" was first presented at the 2005 European Conference on Information Systems. The authors present an overview of consumer fears associated with the introduction of RFID technology. An analysis of motivations and fears is presented. The main finding of the paper is that consumers fear that their privacy may get invaded. In a final synthesis a 7-point plan of technological measures is presented.

The second paper is by Robert Shanley and G. Premkumar of Iowa State University, USA. Their paper "WIDS – A Wireless Intrusion Detection System for Detecting Man-in-the-middle Attacks" the authors examine the technique of man-in-the-middle attacks and the development of an intrusion detection system to identify and warn against such attacks. The paper also presents results from an experiment evaluating the performance of such an IDS.

The third paper is by Sanjay Goel, Adnan Baykal and Damira Pon of University at Albany, State University of New York, USA. Their paper "Botnets: The Anatomy of a Case" presents a forensic analysis of an incident. The paper provides an anatomy of a worm and describes how it was used to perform an attack.

These three papers complete the issue. The Journal of Information System Security has had a good fortune of attracting a large number of excellent papers. As editors we are pleased to announce the steady progression of the journal.