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## TRESYS HOSTING AND MANAGING THE UPSTREAM SELINUX REPOSITORY

### *Repository Helps Open Source Developers Locate and Collaborate on SELinux Developments and Future Progressions of NSA-Created SELinux*

**Columbia, Md. – September 11, 2008** – Tresys Technology, a provider of technology and services for customers with high security requirements, today announces it has donated hosting for the Security-Enhanced Linux (SELinux) upstream repository. The repository provides a central point for the development of SELinux and serves as the foundation for the integration of SELinux features into all major Linux distributions. It contains the source code and related resources for SELinux.

Tresys' donation of hosting aims to further the growth of the vibrant community around SELinux, foster the continued development of features to make SELinux simpler to deploy and manage, and provides a location that can be used for coordination of the broader open source Mandatory Access Control (MAC) community.

Since the development of SELinux takes place in numerous locations – by individuals, companies and the National Security Agency (NSA) – the repository will help developers locate these SELinux developments, and serve to host their work on the repository site. Previously, the SELinux repository was hosted on Source Forge, and will now be provided, managed and made available by Tresys at <http://userspace.selinuxproject.org/>.

"Tresys recognizes the progressive nature and daily developments of the open source community and acknowledges the deep expertise of those involved in the evolution of SELinux," said Frank Mayer, president, chief technology officer and co-founder of Tresys Technology. "SELinux is critical to creating systems that can remain secure in a world where the number of attacks are increasing at an exponential rate. Moreover, by hosting this repository, Tresys hopes that its support of and dedication to the continued progression of the SELinux community can further the development of security within Linux systems."

As part of its Information Assurance mission, the NSA is involved with the computer security research community in investigating a wide range of computer security topics including operating system security. SELinux was created by the NSA as an example of how mandatory access controls can be added into Linux. The flexibility of SELinux allows it to be modified and extended to customize the security policy as required for any installation. (Source: NSA)

For additional information on Tresys' own developments and expertise in SELinux, visit [www.tresys.com/open-source.php](http://www.tresys.com/open-source.php). For more on information, developments and contributions regarding SELinux, visit: <http://www.nsa.gov/selinux> and <http://oss.tresys.com/projects/selinux/wiki/Background>.

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