

### Democratic processes are being influenced

Digital attacks are being used to influence democratic processes.

Cyber attacks have influenced democratic processes in a number of countries. In the Netherlands, countermeasures were taken in the run up to the elections for the Dutch House or Representatives.

## Professional criminals and countries biggest threat

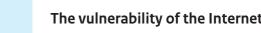
Professional criminals and state actors continue to be the most significant threat and inflict the most damage.

Professional criminals seek financial gains. Countries conduct digital espionage, sabotage and exert influence. Over 100 countries worldwide use digital means for espionage to obtain confidential information from governments and companies.

#### Digital resilience lags behind

The resilience of individuals and organisations is lagging behind the increasing threat.

This will lead to increased risks unless extra countermeasures are taken.



Vulnerable internet of things

The vulnerability of the Internet of Things has resulted in disruptive attacks that endorse the need to enhance digital resilience.

More and more devices are connected to each other across the internet. This provides opportunities, but also creates risks.









#### Strong dependency on infrastructure services

Many organisations are dependent on a limited number of foreign digital infrastructure service providers which means that the social impact of disruption is large.

Disruptions can have a substantial impact on society.



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