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## ETN-SB-2022-1004: CODESYS SECURITY ADVISORY

Date	Overall Risk	CVSS v3.0
05/22/2023	High	Multiple Vulnerabilities

### 1. Overview

CODESYS GmbH has issued multiple security advisories regarding vulnerabilities affecting various CODESYS software components. We are currently evaluating the impact of these vulnerabilities to our products and are developing mitigation plans to address them. Further information can be found on the CODESYS GmbH [website](#).

### 2. Impacted Eaton Product(s) & Version(s)

From our preliminary assessments, the following Eaton products directly or indirectly utilize the affected CODESYS components and are therefore impacted by one or more of the reported vulnerabilities –

- A. Form 7 recloser control, firmware v1.2.0 and earlier.
- B. Proview NXG v2.3.0 and earlier *if* used in combination with CODESYS v3.5.17.10 and earlier to communicate with the Form 7 recloser control.
- C. XSOFTE-CODESYS V3 prior to v3.5.17 Bugfix 1
- D. XV103 (CEAG) *if* used in combination with XSOFTE-CODESYS version prior to v3.5.17 Bugfix 1
- E. XC104/204 *if* used in combination with XSOFTE-CODESYS version prior to v3.5.17 Bugfix 1
- F. XC303 *if* used in combination with XSOFTE-CODESYS version prior to v3.5.17 Bugfix 1

**Note :** The Proview NXG v2.3.0 and earlier alone is not impacted by the reported vulnerabilities. The impact is when used together with CODESYS.

### 3. Vulnerability Details

The impact of the reported vulnerabilities varies and if successfully exploited could allow an attacker to download and execute malicious code, cause a denial of service, or cause a device to restart unexpectedly. For more details on the reported vulnerabilities and associated CVEs, please refer to the following links:

- CODESYS Advisory [2021-02](#)
  - [CVE-2021-29240](#)
- CODESYS Advisory [2021-03](#)
  - [CVE-2021-29239](#)
- CODESYS Advisory [2021-04](#)
  - [CVE-2021-29241](#)
- CODESYS Advisory [2021-12](#)

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- [CVE-2021-29241](#)
- CODESYS Advisory [2021-13](#)
  - [CVE-2021-21863](#)
  - [CVE-2021-21864](#)
  - [CVE-2021-21865](#)
  - [CVE-2021-21866](#)
  - [CVE-2021-21867](#)
  - [CVE-2021-21868](#)
  - [CVE-2021-21869](#)
- CODESYS Advisory [2022-02](#)
  - [CVE-2022-22515](#)
- CODESYS Advisory [2022-04](#)
  - [CVE-2022-22517](#)
- CODESYS Advisory [2022-05](#)
  - [CVE-2022-22518](#)
- CODESYS Advisory [2022-06](#)
  - [CVE-2022-22513](#)
  - [CVE-2022-22514](#)

## 4. Remediation

Eaton strongly recommends the implementation of the below remediation steps by updating the products to the latest firmware/software version.

- **Form 7 & ProView NXG products**
  - A. CODESYS advisories [2021-04](#) and [2021-12](#) were addressed in the latest version of firmware (v1.2.0) released for the Form 7 recloser control. Users with Form 7 controls running firmware versions earlier than v1.2.0 are advised to upgrade to v1.2.0, which includes an upgrade to CODESYS runtime version 3.5.17.10.
  - B. CODESYS advisories [2021-02](#), [2021-03](#), and [2021-13](#) were addressed with CODESYS software version 3.5.17.10 used with ProView NXG 3.4.0 and later. Users with Form 7 controls running CODESYS software version 3.5.15.10 with ProView NXG 3.3.0 or earlier are advised to upgrade to ProView NXG 3.4.0 and CODESYS software version 3.5.17.10. The Form 7 recloser control utilizes the CODESYS Control Runtime System Toolkit to manage, transfer, and execute logical application code developed by both Eaton and end users. Based on the components used in the Form 7 control, CODESYS advisories [2022-02](#), [2022-04](#), [2022-05](#), and [2022-06](#) apply to the latest firmware version of the Form 7 control running CODESYS runtime version 3.5.17.10.

Users are advised to download the latest CODESYS runtime version which includes the fixes for the above-mentioned vulnerabilities [here](#).

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- **XSOFT-CODESYS & XC/XV Products**

The CODESYS advisories are addressed in the latest version of XSOFT-CODESYS 3.5.17 Bugfix 1.

Users are advised to download the latest XSOFT-CODESYS version which includes the fixes for the above-mentioned vulnerabilities [here](#).

## 5. General Security Best Practices

### **5.1. Eaton recommends that customers follow cybersecurity best practices to further protect their devices and implement the following key procedures.**

- Restrict exposure to external networks for all control system devices and/or systems and ensure that they are not directly accessible from the open Internet.
- Deploy control system networks and remote devices behind barrier devices (e.g., firewalls, data diodes) and isolate them from business networks.
- Remote access to control system networks should be made available on a strict need-to-use basis.
- Remote access should use secure methods, such as Virtual Private Networks (VPNs), updated to the most current version available.
- Regularly update/patch software/applications to latest versions available, as applicable.
- Enable audit logs on all devices and applications.
- Disable/deactivate unused communication channels, TCP/UDP ports and services (e.g., SNMP, FTP, BootP, DHCP, etc.) on networked devices.
- Create security zones for devices with common security requirements using barrier devices (e.g., firewalls, data diodes).
- Change default passwords following initial startup. Use complex secure passwords or passphrases.
- Perform regular security assessments and risk analysis of networked control systems.

### **5.2. For more information on cybersecurity best practices and to leverage Eaton's Cybersecurity as a Service, please consult the following:**

- Eaton offers a suite of cybersecurity assessment and life-cycle management services to help identify vulnerabilities and secure your operational technology network. These services can help you complete the recommended remediation and mitigation actions and strengthen your overall network security. More information about these services is available at [www.eaton.com/cybersecurityservices](http://www.eaton.com/cybersecurityservices).
- If you need immediate support, please call +1-800-498-2678 to connect with a representative.
- Cybersecurity Considerations for Electrical Distribution Systems ([WP152002EN](#)).
- Cybersecurity Best Practices Checklist Reminder ([WP910003EN](#)).

## Additional Support and Information

Additional Information. For additional information, including a list of vulnerabilities that have been reported on our products and how to address them, please visit our Cybersecurity web site [www.eaton.com/cybersecurity](http://www.eaton.com/cybersecurity), or contact us at [CybersecurityCOE@eaton.com](mailto:CybersecurityCOE@eaton.com).

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**Revision Control:**

Date	Version	Notes
04/25/2022	1.0	Initial Public advisory
11/30/2022	1.1	Updated remediation information related to the release of Form 7 firmware version 1.3.0.
05/22/2023	1.2	Updated advisory with updated list of impacted products and their remediation.

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