



CVE-2021-1453

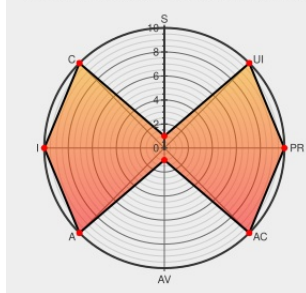
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CVE-2021-1453 - advisory for cisco-sa-ios-xe-cat-verify-BQ5hrXgH

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CVSS:31/AV:P/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H



Certain versions of **ios XE** from **Cisco** contain the following vulnerability:

A vulnerability in the software image verification functionality of Cisco IOS XE Software for the Cisco Catalyst 9000 Family of switches could allow an unauthenticated, physical attacker to execute unsigned code at system boot time. The vulnerability is due to an improper check in the code function that manages the verification of the digital signatures

of system image files during the initial boot process. An attacker could exploit this vulnerability by loading unsigned software on an affected device. A successful exploit could allow the attacker to boot a malicious software image or execute unsigned code and bypass the image verification check part of the secure boot process of an affected device. To exploit this vulnerability, the attacker would need to have unauthenticated physical access to the device or obtain privileged access to the root shell on the device.

CVE-2021-1453 has been assigned by [Cisco](#) psirt@cisco.com to track the vulnerability - currently rated as **MEDIUM** severity.

The Cisco Product Security Incident Response Team (PSIRT) is not aware of any public announcements or malicious use of the vulnerability that is described in this advisory.

Affected Vendor/Software: [Cisco](#) - **Cisco IOS XE Software** version **n/a**

CVSS3 Score: **6.8 - MEDIUM**

Attack Vector	Attack Complexity	Privileges Required	User Interaction
PHYSICAL	LOW	NONE	NONE
Scope	Confidentiality Impact	Integrity Impact	Availability Impact
UNCHANGED	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH

CVSS2 Score: **7.2 - HIGH**

Access Vector	Access Complexity	Authentication
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LOCAL	LOW	NONE
Confidentiality Impact	Integrity Impact	Availability Impact
COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE

CVE References

Description	Tags	Link
Cisco IOS XE Software for the Catalyst 9000 Family Arbitrary Code Execution Vulnerability	tools.cisco.com text/html	CISCO 20210324 Cisco IOS XE Software for the Catalyst 9000 Family Arbitrary Code Execution Vulnerability
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Related QID Numbers

[316904](#) Cisco IOS XE Software for the Catalyst 9000 Family Arbitrary Code Execution Vulnerability(cisco-sa-ios-xe-cat-verify-BQ5hrXgH)

Known Affected Configurations (CPE V2.3)

Type	Vendor	Product	Version	Update	Edition	Language
Operating System	Cisco	ios Xe	16.10.1	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	ios Xe	16.10.1e	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	ios Xe	16.10.1s	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	ios Xe	16.11.1	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	ios Xe	16.11.1b	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	ios Xe	16.11.1c	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	ios Xe	16.11.1s	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	ios Xe	16.11.2	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	ios Xe	16.12.1	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	ios Xe	16.12.1c	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	ios Xe	16.12.1s	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	ios Xe	16.12.2	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	ios Xe	16.12.2s	All	All	All

System						
Operating System	Cisco	los Xe	16.12.2t	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	los Xe	16.12.3	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	los Xe	16.12.3a	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	los Xe	16.12.3s	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	los Xe	16.12.4	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	los Xe	16.12.4a	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	los Xe	16.6.1	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	los Xe	16.6.2	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	los Xe	16.6.3	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	los Xe	16.6.4	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	los Xe	16.6.4a	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	los Xe	16.6.4s	All	All	All
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Operating System	Cisco	los Xe	16.6.7	All	All	All
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Operating System	Cisco	los Xe	16.7.1	All	All	All
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System						
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Operating System	Cisco	ios Xe	16.9.4	All	All	All
Operating System	Cisco	ios Xe	16.9.5	All	All	All
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