

# ENISA'S THREAT LANDSCAPE 2023

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# ROLE OF ENISA – WHO WE ARE



EUROPEAN UNION AGENCY  
FOR CYBERSECURITY

## A TRUSTED AND CYBER SECURE EUROPE

Our mission is to achieve a **high common level of cybersecurity** across the Union in cooperation with the wider community

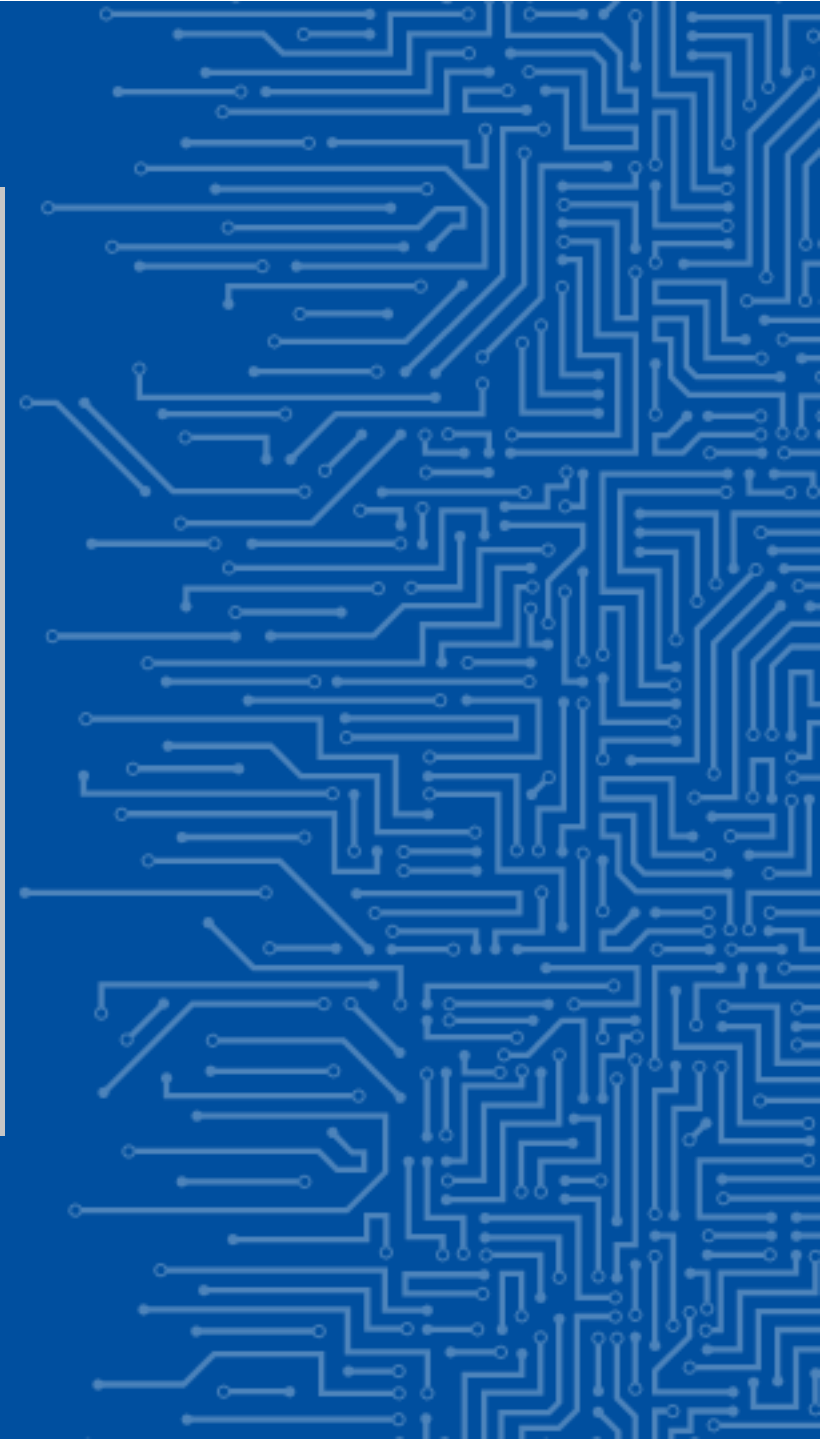


# ENISA THREAT LANDSCAPE TRADITION



**It's reflecting on the PAST  
to prepare for the  
FUTURE**

# THREAT ACTORS





- **Integral** part of overall threat assessment
- **Entities** aiming to carry out a **malicious act** by taking advantage of existing **vulnerabilities** with the intent to harm their victims
- **Understanding how threat actors** ( trends, targets , techniques, tools and procedures ) **think and act and their motivations and goals** are essential for a good cyber security strategy



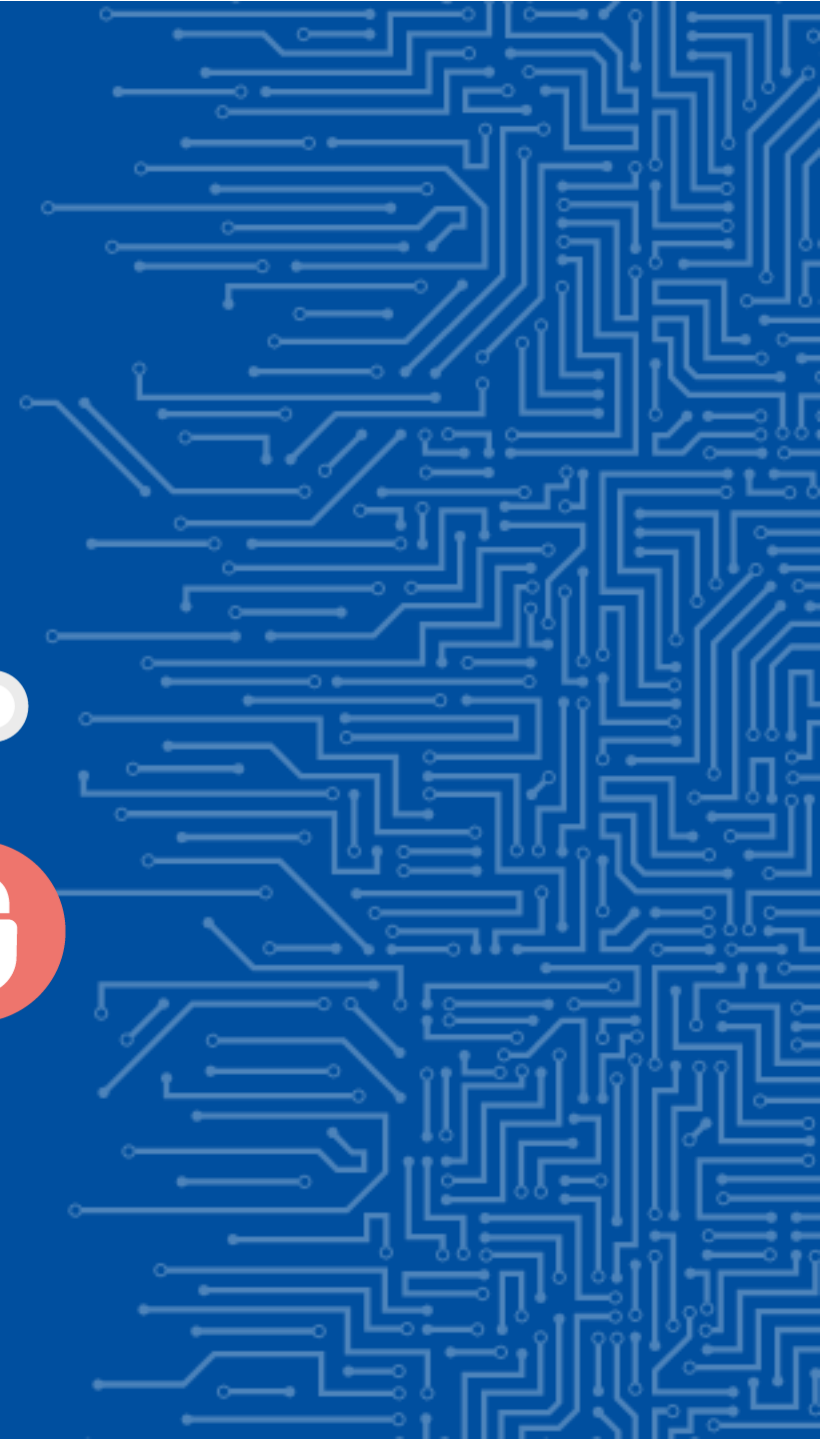
- Rising focus on edge devices.
- State-nexus groups exploit both old vulnerabilities and zero-days.
- Financial objectives tied with state-affiliated activities.

- The Initial Access Broker (IAB) market is expanding rapidly.
- Main product of IAB is credentials for VPN and RDP breaches.
- Attackers now favor adaptable and fast-changing methods.
- Cybercrime has become an organized sector with expert services.
- Many threat actors have enhanced their "As-a-Service" models.

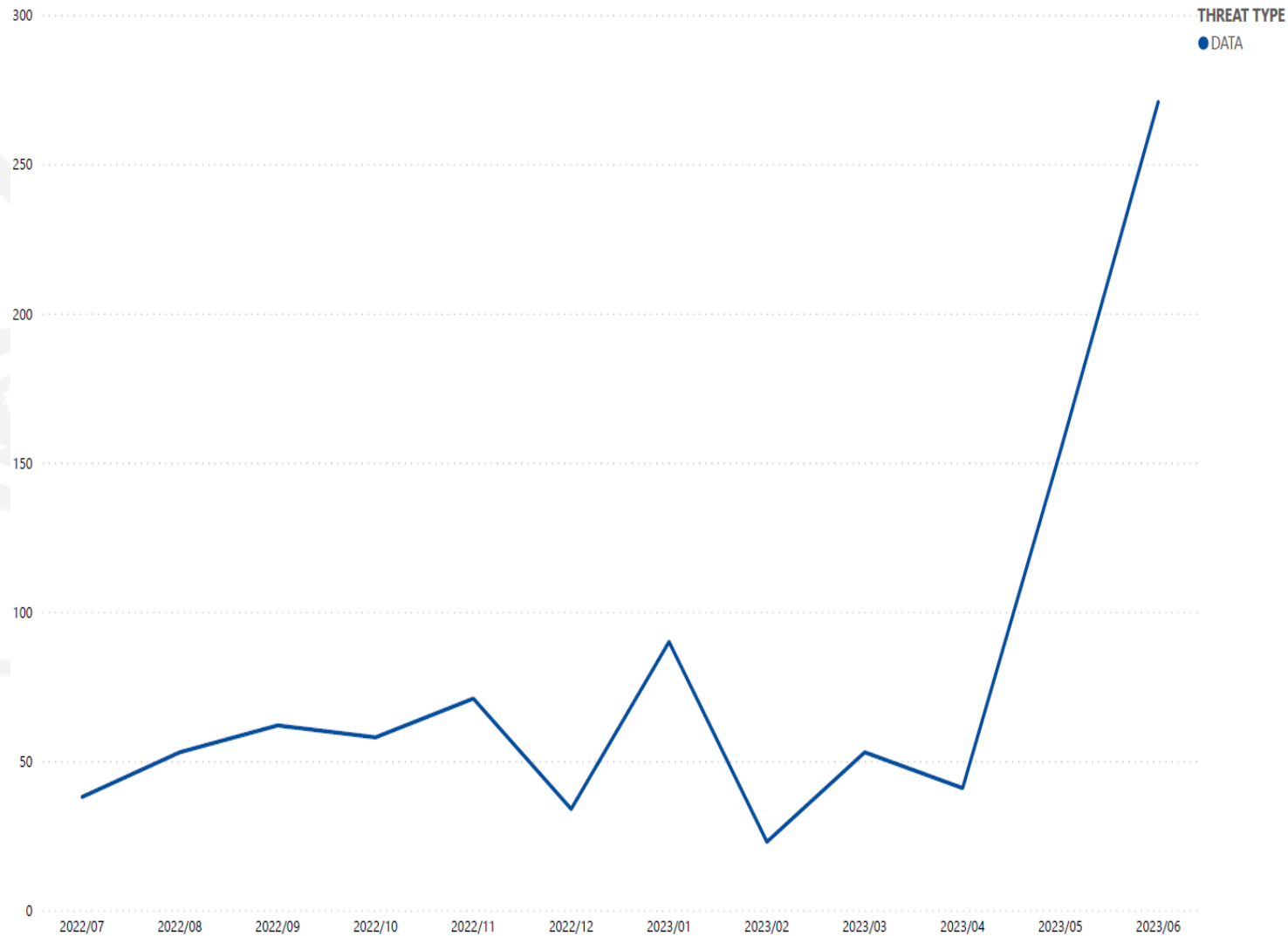


- valid accounts for initial access
- keep relying on Living Off the Land Binaries (LOLBins),
- continue to use cloud infrastructure.
- Old tricks remain a guarantee for success ( SEO poisoning and malvertising )
- Deepfakes and AI





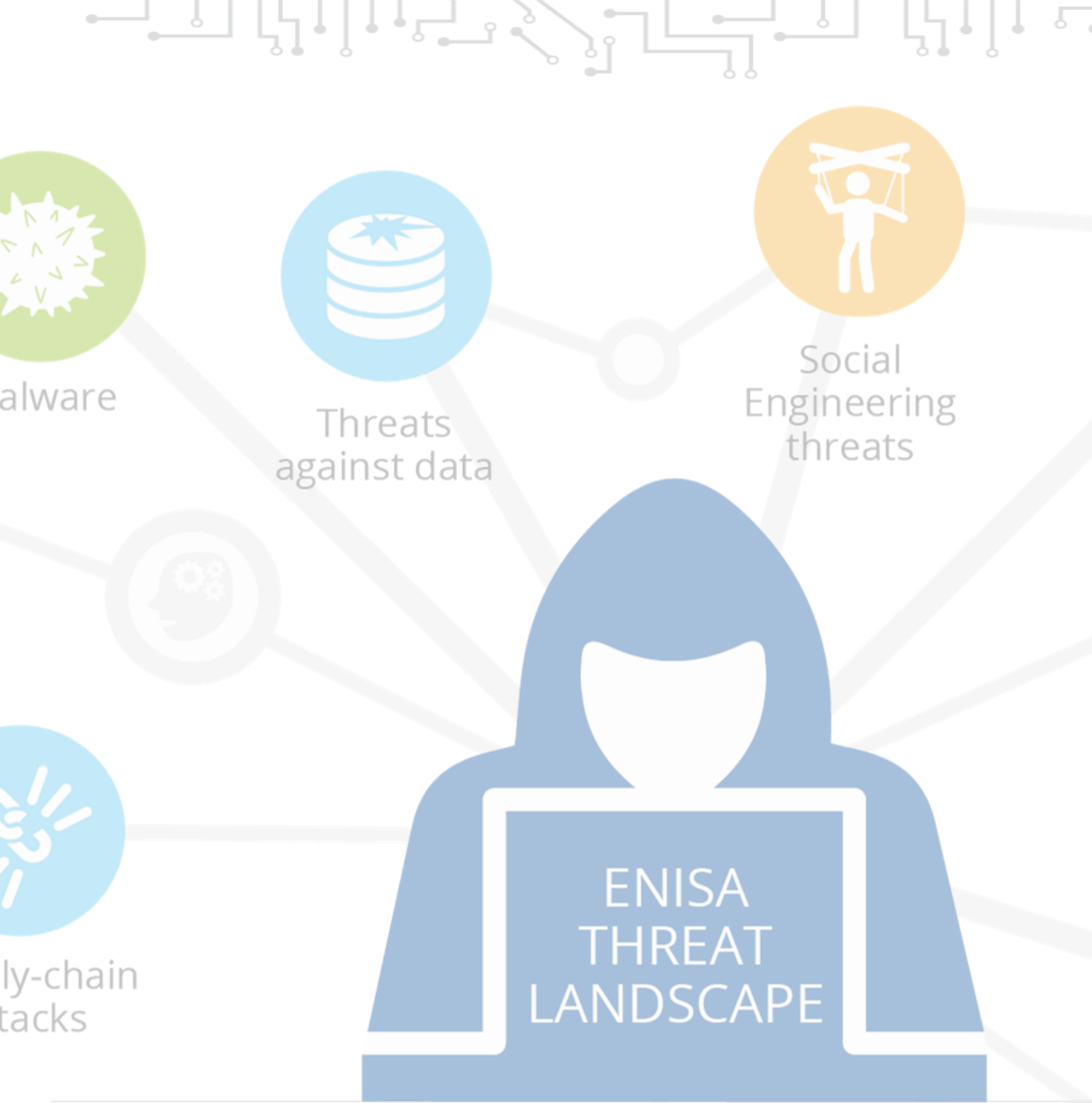
# DATA THREATS



- **Increase in 2023**
- **Lack of transparency in data breach notices**
- **Cloud computing**
- **AI chatbots**



# SOCIAL ENGINEERING THREATS



- **Phishing as the initial infection vector and on the rise**
- **Use of AI**
- **ABUSING MULTI-FACTOR AUTHENTICATION**
- **Re-emergence of call-back phishing**

# RANSOMWARE

# MALWARE

- **March 2023 broke ransomware attack records - ransomware continues to be on the rise**
- **URL delivered ransomware dominates attack vectors**
- **shifting from encryption to data extortion**

- **Information stealers**
- **Evolution of malware delivery**
- **Mobile malware and spyware**
- **Installed malware**



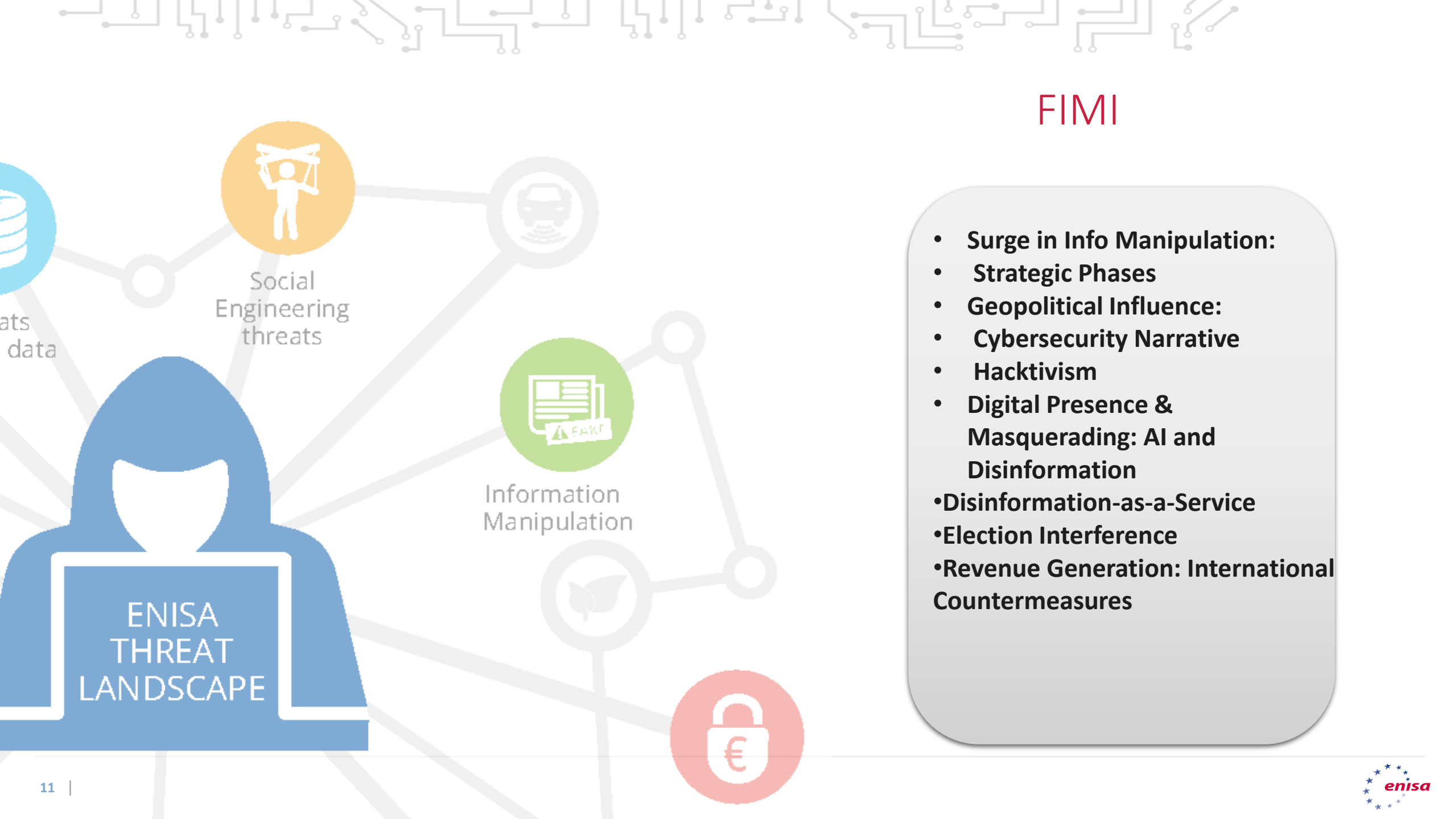
Malware



Threats against data



Supply-chain attacks



## FIMI

- **Surge in Info Manipulation:**
- **Strategic Phases**
- **Geopolitical Influence:**
- **Cybersecurity Narrative**
- **Hacktivism**
- **Digital Presence & Masquerading: AI and Disinformation**
- **Disinformation-as-a-Service**
- **Election Interference**
- **Revenue Generation: International Countermeasures**

# SUMMARY



**Threat actors use whatever is more relevant and evolve and adapt to the changing of technologies**

**Good practices and coordinated actions are important to reach a common high level of cybersecurity.**

**Cyber attacks has increased by a lot compared to last year but we still lack the visibility**

**Information Sharing is caring...  
It helps potential victims , it helps researchers.. it also helps cybersecurity authorities and ENISA**

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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