

The Conseil Départemental du Val de Marne Blocks Threats in Real Time

Thanks to Check Point Zero Day Threat Prevention for Quantum, the computers in this public sector organization are fully protected against zero day attacks



INDUSTRY

Government
Administration

HEADQUARTERS

France

COMPANY SIZE

5,001-10,000 employees

OVERVIEW

Located in Créteil, France, this local authority manages all public services for the area's 1.4 million inhabitants across 47 cities.

OUR SOLUTION



Quantum
Secure the Network

CHALLENGE

The Conseil Départemental computers and those in the IT department were regularly attacked. The attacks were primarily caused by suspicious email attachments containing either known or new malicious code. Despite having antivirus programs installed, this malware was so clever that it could evade detection. The IT team had to find a way to halt this growing problem and ensure a secure environment to work in.



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SOLUTION

In 2015, the Council's IT Department researched existing solutions for dealing with advanced threats and zero day attacks, which were not recognized by traditional antivirus solutions. They then approached Check Point to perform a security checkup.

"We asked Check Point to test their zero day threat prevention solution. Like other government organizations, we have to manage IT attacks. We wanted to increase our security by adding the Zero Day Threat Prevention for Quantum to complement our suite of IT protection tools," explained Mikaël Auzanneau, Networks and Security Engineer at the Conseil Départemental. "The result? The management immediately gave us the green light to purchase Zero Day Threat Prevention for Quantum."

OUTCOME

Zero Day Threat Prevention for Quantum offers a range of benefits. Today, thanks to threat prevention, each email attachment is inspected in a virtual sandbox to look for malicious code. The technology analyzes it and sends it back to the Conseil Départemental's IT team.

"This has little impact on our emails," explained Mikaël Auzanneau, "and allows us to prevent unknown threats. If an attachment is suspicious, it is immediately destroyed. In a few months, a new feature called threat extraction will be installed in our infrastructure. Once this is in place, email attachments will be analyzed in an isolated virtual machine. If there is a problem, it will transform it into a PDF file or neutralize it by deactivating all the macros in an Excel file or links in a Word document."

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