

Cybercrimes - A New Threat to the Society

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Abstract

The Internet has been a boon to business, science, education and just about any field you can think of, including crime. Just like every human invention, Internet has two sides to it, on the one hand it allows businesses to be more productive and scientists to share research data almost instantaneously, on the other hand it grants criminals an additional tool to commit crimes and get away with it. Because of its unique nature that transcends national borders and the anonymity that it allows for its users, Internet is perfect for those who wish to evade the law. In the modern society, the types of crimes stipulated by the law extend globally under a new form: cyber-crime. The evolution of this phenomenon is directly proportional with the development of the informational technology and communication, increasingly used by individuals. This article is trying to bring more awareness of the phenomenon of cyber-crime, by explaining the notion of this type of crime, the ways in which it manifests itself, because in order to protect ourselves we first have to know what we are protecting from.

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