Contents of this Month's Update:

- Laboratory, Mason Square's Cyber Living Innovation Lab, and as a team building activity, speaker presentations. Participants toured Mason's outdoor Forensic Research and Training Center, which is a key part of the University of Virginia's lab facilities.

- The teams presented situation analysis and recommendations on topics related to the week's research. This included work with minors, and how this research is being disseminated for implementation.

- New research on forensic interviews for minor victims of human trafficking.

- Jackson State University, Sul Ross University, and City Tech - New York City College of Technology, as well as a workshop about cybercrime, hosted several guest speakers with deep domain expertise in the field.

- In the last two weeks we participated in a workshop regarding privacy enhancing technologies and shared the technologies and resources discussed at the privacy workshop. This doesn't mean we are now sharing our actual data, but we are part of the conversation about how to securely handle and share data.

- The CINA Science Committee members Anthony Stefanidis and Louise Shelley were named recipients of the 2022 Presidential Awards for Faculty Excellence, honoring Mason faculty members for their work on behalf of the university, students, and the broader community.

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- Two CINA Science Committee members recognized with the Presidential Awards for Faculty Excellence: Professor at Mason Law and Society (CLS) and CINA Science Committee member, has served with the CINA center since 2018, and her prior experience includes several key positions in the field.

- Allison Redlich named University of Virginia's Prize for Excellence in Public Service to an Academic, recognizing her transformative contributions to the field.

- Robert McBride joined CINA with his background in academic rank bestowed on members of Mason's faculty, and is currently serving as Assistant Director of Finance and Administration.

- McBride intends to contribute his fiscal and organizational expertise to CINA's budget, coordinate research activities and staff, and supports strategic planning to meet the goals established by CINA's Board of Visitors in May.

- Kerry Riddle has been promoted to Assistant Director for Finance and Administrative Services at CINA. She has experience in finance, project management, and business administration and has served with the CINA center since 2018.

- CINA also hosted the Distinguished Speaker Series, with keynote speakers discussing a range of topics in the field, including the Future of Counterfeiting and Privacy Workforce Development.

- The Future of Counterfeiting – we can share data, fulfill our respective missions, and protect privacy. In these examples and others, the ability to share useful data in a privacy-preserving manner is crucial.

- For example, consider the data challenge: for both operations and research, how do we get it, cleanse it, store it, and share it? At the privacy workshop co-hosted by the Center for Cybersecurity, government practitioners, academics, and industry experts to talk about technologies for exposing the actual data – these were esoteric and impractical research areas a few years ago, and now they are being put into practice.

- The workshop also discussed the need to securely share data between different entities to understand and disrupt criminal networks. In these examples and others, the ability to share useful data in a privacy-preserving manner is crucial.