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Influential IT Educator

Kosmas is exploring how to model and disrupt human trafficking with a goal of developing quantitative tools to assist criminal justice practitioners in policy making for combating human trafficking. His work will expand upon network interdiction models to appropriately model the nuances of how trafficking networks operate, and develop new solution methods that account for the increased complexity of the interactions within a network.

Kosmas will present his findings at the upcoming 2021 CINA Director’s Conference.

CINA welcomes its 2020-21 Open Shop White Paper Submission opportunity.

CINA is now accepting open shop white paper submissions. A white paper is a comprehensive report or essay intended to inform, engage and inspire. These papers should not present preliminary research, but pragmatically oriented with potential applications.

CINA is seeking white papers that address disruption of criminal activities across the physical and cyber spaces.

The Transition Advisory Board met on the 5th of November, 2020. The Transition Advisory Board was formed this Fall and met in full on November 5, 2020. The board consists of professionals with expertise in transitioning technology to DHS, other government agencies, and private companies. The board reviewed four center projects nearing transition-ready status, and discussed emerging science and technology landscape as it applies to DHS needs and challenges, and potential transition paths. The board was asked a lot of good and insightful questions, and provided suggestions on DHS components and commercialization. The board reviewed four center projects nearing transition-ready status, and discussed emerging science and technology landscape as it applies to DHS needs and challenges, and potential transition paths.

Save The Date: CINA Distinguished Speaker Series - Spring 2021

The Spring Series events.

Event Brief: "Social Outlaws: What Network Data Tells Us About Gangs" with Martin Bouchard

Watch with Martin Bouchard

Event Brief: "Transaction Launching and the Facilitation of Cybercrime Through the Online Payment System" with Simon Fraser University

Learn more about the award finalists.

CINA Research Student Awarded Fellowship To Support Research in Disrupting Human Trafficking Networks

Young researchers can now apply for support to conduct research on disrupting human trafficking networks through a new fellowship opportunity.

Thirty-one-year-old David Michael Mosbacher is pursuing a Master’s in Social Sciences at the UCL Institute of Criminology in the UK and is known for his data-driven criminological research. His thesis, published in December of 2019, is entitled "Criminal Networks and the New Cybersecurity: A Comparative Analysis of the Tel Aviv-Yafo gang scene and the Los Angeles gang scene in the US."

The fellowship was announced last week, and Mosbacher was quickly accepted for the fellowship. He is grateful for the opportunity.

Mosbacher has to first complete his Master’s in Social Sciences before he begins his fellowship research.

He has been awarded a National Institute of Justice Graduate Research Fellowship to support his work on disrupting human trafficking networks.

"I am very grateful to the National Institute of Justice Graduate Research Fellowship and CINA for granting me such a prestigious award," said Mosbacher. "I am excited to begin my research on disrupting human trafficking networks and look forward to sharing my findings with the CINA community."