

TOWARDS A MATURE UNDERSTANDING OF “CULTURE” IN INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY RESEARCH

Insights from Research

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Abstract: Recent IS research (Straub et al., 2002) comments that cross-cultural research in IS “remains in its infancy” because of the “lack of unanimity about the underlying meaning and definition of the underlying construct “culture””. This paper explores the understanding of culture as expressed in current IS research and draws on theories from anthropology as applied in science education to broaden this understanding.

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