

Mikko Hyppönen's Profile



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Mikko Hyppönen is the Chief Research Officer for **F-Secure**. He has worked with F-Secure in Finland since 1991. Mr. Hyppönen has led his team through the largest outbreaks in history. His team took down the world-wide network used by the **Sobig.F** worm. He was the first to warn the world about the **Sasser** outbreak, he named the infamous **Storm Worm** and he has done classified briefings on the operation of the **Stuxnet** worm.

Mikko Hyppönen has assisted law enforcement in USA, Europe and Asia on cybercrime cases. He has written for magazines such as **Scientific American** and **Foreign Policy** and for newspapers like **The New York Times**. Mr. Hyppönen has addressed the most important security-related conferences worldwide. He is also an inventor for several patents, including US patent 6,577,920 "*Computer virus screening*".

Mikko Hyppönen has keynoted or spoken at various conferences around the world, including [RSA](#), [Black Hat](#) and [DEF CON](#). In addition to data security events, Hyppönen has delivered talks at general-interest events, such as [TED](#), [TEDx](#), [SXSW](#) and [Google Zeitgeist](#). He's also spoken at various military events, including AFCEA events and the NATO [CCD COE's ICC](#).

He has been the subject of dozens of interviews in global TV and print media, including in [Vanity Fair](#). Mr. Hyppönen, born in 1969, was selected among the **50 most important people on the web** by the **PC World** magazine. He also received the **Virus Bulletin Award**, awarded every ten years, as "**Best in industry**". Hyppönen is a columnist for BetaNews. He has also written on his research for [CNN](#).

In 2011, he was ranked 61st in [Foreign Policy's](#) Top 100 Global Thinkers report

Apart from computer security issues, Mr. Hyppönen enjoys collecting and restoring classic arcade video games and pinball machines from past decades.

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