

DEF CON 33 // KUK HOFHACKEREI



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We are **KuK Hofhackerei**, Austria's largest ethical hacking team, and we're proud to announce our qualification for the DEF CON 33 Capture the Flag (CTF) Finals in Las Vegas, USA, the most prestigious cybersecurity competition in the world. This marks the first time in over a decade that an Austrian team has earned a place at the **DEF CON CTF Finals**, and only the second time in history that a team from Austria has reached this stage.

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WHO ARE WE?

KuK Hofhackerei is a collective of **30 cybersecurity talents** from across Austria. Our team draws its members from leading institutions including **TU Wien, TU Graz, University of Vienna, JKU Linz, and FH St. Pölten**. In this year's DEF CON CTF Qualifier—one of the most competitive events globally—we achieved **6th place out of over 1,000 international teams**, securing our spot among the elite few invited to compete in person at DEF CON 33.

WHAT IS DEF CON?

DEF CON is the **world's largest and most influential hacker conference**, held annually in Las Vegas and attended by **more than 30,000 people**, including industry leaders, government agencies, and top security researchers. Its impact extends far beyond the conference halls, regularly featured in mainstream media (such as Mr. Robot, The X-Files, The Signal) and **followed by millions online**. The DEF CON Capture the Flag (CTF) Finals are considered the “**Olympics of Hacking**”, a highly technical, invitation-only competition that challenges the world's top teams to solve real-world cybersecurity problems.

WHY WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

Bringing our full team of 30 members to Las Vegas comes with a significant financial cost. The **minimum total estimated budget is €60,000**, which covers:

- Flights and ground transportation
- Hotel accommodations
- Essential team logistics

We are currently seeking sponsors and partners to help make our participation possible. Your support will not only **empower Austria's top cybersecurity talent on the world stage** but also **highlight your organization's commitment to innovation, education, and digital resilience**.



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SPONSORSHIP TIERS

We offer multiple levels of sponsorship with increasing benefits and visibility. Each tier builds upon the previous and includes the benefits described below. We are also happy to tailor a custom sponsorship package to match your brand's goals and values.

Bronze Tier €2,500

- Your logo on our website
- Feature on our official social media accounts

Silver Tier €6,000

- Bronze-tier benefits
- Your logo (M-size) on our t-shirts or hoodies
- Feature on our official social media accounts with a specific post for your company

Gold Tier €10,000

- Silver-tier benefits
- Your logo (L-size) on our t-shirts or hoodies
- Extensive photo/video coverage of your stickers/logos on our laptops during the competition

Platinum Tier €15,000

- Gold-tier benefits
- **Organization of an event** at your company to describe the technical challenges faced during DEF CON CTF finals, with an extensive Q/A session

Diamond Tier €20,000

- Platinum-tier benefits
- **CVs of the members of the team**

CONTACTS

Donations will be handled by our partner **Cyber Security Austria (CSA)**, see verbotengut.at). To discuss sponsorship opportunities or request further details, please contact us at kukhofhackerei@gmail.com.



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