2nd INTERNATIONAL DIGITAL FORENSICS CHALLENGE



(IDFC 2025)

16-17 JULY, 2025 HONG KONG SAR, CHINA

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With the rapid development of information technology, ranging from continual developments in traditional computing to emerging innovations such as the Internet of Things (IoT) and blockchain, law enforcement agencies are facing increasing challenges in the realms of digital investigation and forensic analysis.

The International Digital Forensics Challenge (IDFC) aims to foster innovation, enhance participants' proficiency with the latest tools and methodologies in digital forensics, address emerging forensic challenges, and facilitate the growth of professional networks. Ultimately, the Challenge seeks to advance the Law Enforcement Agencies of digital forensics on a global scale.

The challenge, designed by forensic experts from the Hong Kong Police Force, requires participants to analyze simulated real cases under strict time constraints. Using specialized forensic tools, participants are tasked with extracting, examining, and interpreting digital evidence from smartphones, computers, and other electronic devices to reconstruct events and uncover critical information. This hands-on approach not only enhances technical proficiency but also promotes international collaboration in combating modern cybercrime.

The first IDFC, held on 19 and 20 November 2024in Hong Kong, set a high benchmark for excellence. 10 teams from South Korea, Cambodia, Malaysia, Thailand, Uzbekistan, Indonesia, Vietnam, and threeHong Kong agencies participated in a competitive and intense event. Top honours were awarded to Hong Kong's ICAC, South Korea's 10VER3, and Cambodia's Cyber Task Force,in recognition of their outstanding analytical capabilities, technical proficiency and teamwork.

Building on the success of last year's inaugural event, we are excited to announce the return of the IDFC in 2025. This year, IDFC 2025 will be held in conjunction with the 10thINTERPOL Digital Forensics Expert Group (DFEG) Meeting, bringing together global digital forensic experts in a dynamic and collaborative environment. We warmly welcome DFEG participants and forensic professionals worldwide to join us in this thrilling exploration of digital forensics, fostering innovation, professional growth, and international collaboration.



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16 JULY	Wang Gungwu Lecture Hall, Graduate House, The University of Hong Kong
14:00 - 14:30	IDFC Registration
14:30 - 14:45	IDFC Event Introduction
14:45 - 15:45	Introductory Briefing on the Challenge (part 1)
15:45 - 16:00	Tea Break
16:00 - 17:00	Introductory Briefing on the Challenge (part 2)
17 JULY	Centenary Room I&II, G/F, Marco Polo Hongkong Hotel, Harbour City, 3 Canton Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon, Hong Kong SAR, China
9:00-9:30	IDFC Registration
9:30-10:00	Opening Ceremony
10:00-13:00	IDFC Official Challenge
13:00-14:00	Lunch
14:30-15:30	IDFC Seminar
15:30-16:00	Tea Break
16:00-17:00	Closing Ceremony and Awards Presentation
17:00-18:00	Cocktail Party
18:00-21:00	IDFC Dinner

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