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Nikolaos Chrysaidos is Head of Mobile Threat Intelligence and Security at Avast, leading mobile security projects, mobile threat intelligence, and threat prevention.

In his day-to-day work he drives mobile forensics, malware analysis, reverse engineering, and application penetration testing to stay ahead of current mobile threats and security issues.



Additionally, Nikolaos and his team are working on apklab.io, a mobile threat intelligence platform designed to make it easier for security researchers to hunt and analyze mobile malware.

Nikolaos has participated in various marketing and R&D projects. In 2016 he was a part of Avast's Silicon Valley program named Team Drivers, which was focused on the research of smart car security and connected technologies in the car manufacturing industry, and successfully reporting a vulnerability in the Tesla Motors Android application. In addition he attended NATO (CCDCOE) Cyber Coalition 2016 as a team leader and successfully completed mobile security-related exercises.

Nikolaos holds a Bachelor of Science in Computing from the University of Wales, and a Master of Science in CyberSecurity from the University of York.

Nikolaos is known on Twitter as [@virqdroid](https://twitter.com/virqdroid), and can be followed for the latest mobile security and threat related news.