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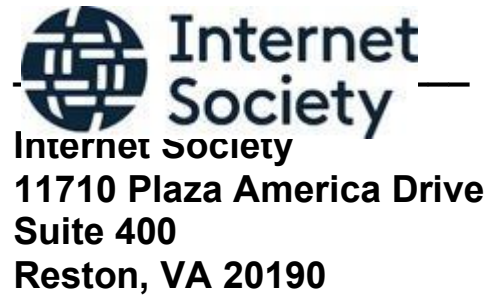
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The Web connects billions of devices, running a plethora of clients, and serves billions of users every single day. To cope with such widespread adoption, the Web constantly changes with a stream of new technologies to develop Web applications and ever-more complicated Web browsers to render them. These rapid changes in the Web's ecosystem do not always consider potential security and privacy ramifications, resulting in new attack vectors that were never observed before.

The workshop on Measurements, Attacks, and Defenses for the Web (MADWeb) aims to attract researchers and industry practitioners that work at the intersection of web technologies and computer security. Our goal is to create and sustain a new venue for discussing the rapid changes to Web technologies from a security perspective, how we can protect users, and how we can make future browsers more secure without hindering the evolution of the Web. To this end, we invited researchers to contribute to the seventh iteration of the MADWeb workshop, co-located with NDSS Symposium 2026. This year, the workshop received 36 submissions, which indicates a growing interest in having a security and privacy workshop dedicated to the Web. More specifically:

- 36 papers were submitted to the workshop, out of which the Program Committee selected 10 full papers (27.7% acceptance rate) and 7 work-in-progress papers; this represents an overall acceptance rate of 47.2%.
- 36 Program Committee members supported the reviewing process, including prominent representatives of academic and industrial research. This year, the Program Committee included 9 junior members of the community and 6 senior reviewers.

The program covered a broad range of topics, including Network Meets the Web, Web Measurement, Generative AI Meets the Web, and JavaScript Security. It also featured two invited talks: "Defense Against AI-Augmented Social Engineering on the Web" and "Using Language-Based Techniques to Build a More Secure Browser", offering perspectives from both academia and industry. The best paper award was sponsored by Palo Alto Networks.

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