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MELANI Semi-Annual Report 2020/1

The reporting and Analysis Centre for Information Assurance (MELANI) addresses the most important cyber-incidents of the first half of 2020 both in Switzerland and abroad. The current report focuses on the coronavirus pandemic, which has been used to entice victims in many cyberattacks.

Cyberplayers regularly adapt their attacks to major events that attract large media coverage, such as natural disasters. This was also the case with the current COVID-19 pandemic in the first half of 2020. The attackers used a wide variety of methods to deceive potential victims or spread malware, including false promises of information about the virus, how to order masks while stocks were low and notifications of online orders. The semi-annual report highlights the various types of cyberattacks that have been carried out in connection with the pandemic.

[MELANI Semi-Annual Report 2020/1 \(https://www.admin.ch/gov/en/start/documentation/media-releases.msg-id-80905.html\)](https://www.admin.ch/gov/en/start/documentation/media-releases.msg-id-80905.html)