

TRACK 1 · TRADECRAFT

OSINT Hunting: Advanced Person-Centric Investigations

Using OSINT for target identification and online attribution

DURATION	FORMAT	SKILL	MAX	COURSE LEAD
3 days	Practical Workshop + case studies	Beginner/intermediate	12 students	Redacted

The majority of person-centric OSINT investigations fall into one of two categories: an unknown individual is active online and the objective is to determine their real-world identity; or a known individual is active online and the objective is to identify their online personas, activities, relationships, and digital footprint.

This advanced training programme focuses on the methodologies, techniques, and analytical processes required to identify, locate, and assess persons of interest through Open-Source Intelligence (OSINT). Participants learn how to transform limited or fragmented information into actionable intelligence by systematically collecting, correlating, and analysing data from publicly available sources.

The course covers digital footprint analysis, identity resolution, timeline reconstruction, social network analysis, relationship mapping, pattern-of-life assessment, and operational tracking techniques. By combining structured methodology with extensive practical exercises, participants develop investigative skills that would typically require months of operational work to acquire.

TARGET AUDIENCE

- Intelligence analysts
- Investigators
- Targeting specialists
- Law enforcement
- Corporate intelligence
- Risk management
- Private security
- Executive protection officers
- compliance analysts
- Fraud specialists
- Reporters

PRICING

Individual	€2,399 / seat (Ex-VAT)
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Custom	Custom pricing on request
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Custom covers bespoke in-house delivery for companies and teams, adapted to your threat environment.

→ **Practical component:** Participants conduct hands-on investigations against simulated targets operating under real-world conditions — incomplete information, deceptive data, false leads, and counter-surveillance measures.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Transform fragmented information into actionable intelligence profiles
- Conduct systematic digital footprint discovery and expansion
- Identify aliases, usernames and linked online identities
- Reconstruct timelines and map relationships across platforms
- Apply OPSEC measures to protect investigator identity during operations
- Use the OSARR methodology for targeted internet investigations
- Hunt across social media, darknet, and multilingual sources
- Track daily life patterns and predict likely locations

SCHEDULE

Day 1

MORNING SESSION

- Course introduction and objectives
- Legal, ethical and operational considerations in OSINT
- Introduction to the OSARR methodology and practical

— *Lunch break* —

AFTERNOON SESSION

- OPSEC for investigators
- Reducing digital exposure during active investigations
- Infrastructure, personas and attribution management
- Collection management and documentation
- Practical workflow development exercise

Day 2

MORNING SESSION

- Person-centric investigations: foundations and methodologies
- Building a target profile from limited information
- Digital footprint discovery and expansion techniques
- Identifying aliases, usernames and linked identities
- Practical hunting exercises

— *Lunch break* —

AFTERNOON SESSION

- Hunting for persons: social media
- Hunting exercises

Day 3

MORNING SESSION

- Relationship and association mapping using OSINT
- Hunting for entities: corporations and other entities
- Hunting Exercises

— *Lunch break* —

AFTERNOON SESSION

- Hunting in different languages
- Tracking daily life patterns and predicting likely locations
- More Hunting exercises

WHAT YOU TAKE HOME

- Field Dossier — printed handbook of every lesson, framework and case study
- Cheat Sheets — reference cards for core investigative frameworks
- Granted Access — real world practitioners from Birdwatcher Group and its network
- Tradecraft Toolkit — curated tool list with setup notes
- After Care — up to 6 months of direct email access to your course lead

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