Hackers and Crooks have used the name of WSEAS and they sent million of emails using the fake address andrew.rosseli@jpmorgan.com

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Abstract: - In the express letter we reveal that some unknown Hackers and Crooks from Nigeria have used recently the name of WSEAS in a poor attempt to collect articles from our authors or even to involve the WSEAS in Predatory Practices and Blogs. WSEAS Authors sent us complaints that they receive spam from these hackers. So, it has come to our notice that some hackers and crooks use the name of one of our former clerks just to collect papers. They sent spam with the email: andrew.rosseli@jpmorgan.com

Several WSEAS authors sent us complaints that they received spam from some crooks/hackers with email address andrew.rosseli@jpmorgan.com

This email address and the domain that they used had never had any relation with WSEAS. We will examine in this study what's happened. Also the same email address andrew.rosseli@jpmorgan.com sent email to us for some "WSEAS Conference" in Nigeria. However WSEAS has never organized any conference in Nigeria.

Who is really the Predatory Publisher behind the Andrew Roselli? Predatory Publishers, Predatory Practices, Predatory Journals. Hacking Practices.

Key-Words: - Predatory Publishers, Predatory Practices, Predatory Journals, Predatory Academicians, Predatory Techniques, Predatory Magazines, Predatory Conferences, Hackers, Hacking, WSEAS, WSEAS Journal, WSEAS Conferences, WSEAS Seminars, Andrew Roselli

1 Introduction

In our WSEAS organization, it has come to our notice that some hackers used on the Internet the name of one of our former clerks just to collect papers from innocent and unsuspecting authors. **These** hackers used the email address : andrew.rosseli@jpmorgan.com that does not belong to WSEAS. This email address is not @wseas.com or @wseas.org

We decided to publish our concerns to some other journal outside the WSEAS. On the other hand the WSEAS had never sent any email using fake email addresses. Nobody from WSEAS (Editors-in-Chief, Co-Editors, Reviewers, Authors etc) has any relation with these fake and counterfeit emails. **WSEAS has no relation actually with these**

predatory hackers. In fact, the falsified name of our clerk who does not work in WSEAS after January of 2022 was used by hackers in a poor attempt to grasp some scientific papers from innocent and unsuspecting authors.

WSEAS and the Editors-in-Chief, Co-Editors, Reviewers, Authors etc have no connection with platforms of J.P.Morgan @jpmorgan.com and hackers and we do not use any email like andrew.rosseli@jpmorgan.com

WSEAS does not use J.P.Morgan emails to collect papers! That would not be possible for us to hand out the email addresses to people that we don't know and we don't trust. It would be a foolish action. On the other hand the predatory journals are not inviting author to publish their manuscripts free of charge!

In these falsified, fake and bogus emails it is supposed that WSEAS used other domains to collect articles! This is not possible and never will happen!

WSEAS has never sent emails using other domains articles, except those of wseas.com or wseas.org and some of our conferences like cscc.co and mcsc-conf.org. In any event, the reported clerk in these emails is not an employee of WSEAS in 2022.

2. Author testimonials. Over than 100000 Reviews from 2011 to 2022. This is the real academic peer review process!

Below you can find some recent comments of May 2022 about the review process of WSEAS Journals

Professor Dana Prochazkova writes:

Dear WSEAS organizer,

I am very satisfied with the review process of WSEAS Journals. I have published and thank you so much in the review process in WSEAS Journals. The comments from the reviewers to my papers were always useful for my quality of papers improving.

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and Professor Gianfranco Minati writes:

Dear Editors,

I would like to express my appreciation for the review process in WSEAS. it is effective, fast and reliable as in my experience I have had 3-5 reviewers. In all the cases it was very helpful and allowed me to improve the submitted article.

Best Regards,

Prof. Gianfranco Minati Italian Systems Society Milan, Italy Email: gianfranco.minati@airs.it

Also, Prof. Tomek Trojanowski from the Department of Management Jan Kochanowski University in Kielce Zeromskiego Street 5, Kielce 25-369 Poland writes:

I am submitting an opinion on reviewing my article. The reviews of my article have been thoroughly compiled. The comments included were substantive, precise and justified. Fast review process. I rate the cooperation with WSEAS very highly. In the future, I will send my next article to WSEAS.

Best regards,

Tomasz Trojanowski Department of Management Jan Kochanowski University in Kielce Zeromskiego Street 5, Kielce 25-369 POLAND

while Prof. Irina Burova adds

I wish to thank the reviewers for their valued feedback and advice. The review process in the journal WSEAS TRANSACTIONS ON MATHEMATICS was a real peer review process. I would like to express my appreciation and gratitude for the remarks that improved my paper.

Best Regards

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Our Personal Comments are

I am the Editor-in-Chief of WSEAS Transactions on Information Science and Applications. Recently I have received many invitations from Predatory Publishers. They accept papers without any serious peer review and they ask more than 1500 EUR. For me, any Publisher that charges more than 1500 EUR is Predatory. I am proud for my Journal WSEAS Transactions on Information Science and Applications. Most of the WSEAS Journals have no fees or have some small fee (300 EUR)

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and

Dear WSEAS, Over the last 15 years I have been with WSEAS, as scientific paper author, reviewer and Editor-in-Chief of WSEAS Transactions on Power Systems. I would like to notice the high scientific professionalism of WSEAS, and to thank WSEAS for the opportunity to be in the heart of WSEAS Journals, both as author and reviewer of scientific articles. I am very proud of my journal WSEAS Transactions on Power Systems, and I am very proud of the peer review process for WSEAS Journals. It will always be an honour to collaborate with WSEAS. WSEAS has not been related with Predatory Publishers and Predatory Practices

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3. Additional author testimonials.

We can copy some more testimonials

from https://wseas.com/testimonials.php

I would like to thank the WSEAS journals for the excellent organization of the entire review process! The suggestions and corrections sent by the reviewers, promptly, were very important for the improvement of the document. I strongly recommend the publication in these excellent and highly reputable journals as well as the reading of papers already published by WSEAS,

Maybe I'll still be able to send a contribution by the end of this month to the journal. Thank you very much in advance. Best regards Prof. Cristina Caridade Coimbra Engineering Academy Portugal Email: caridade@isec.pt

Dear Editors of the WSEAS journal,

It has been my pleasure and honor to collaborate with You, both as a reviewer and as the author of a paper published in the journal. Exceptional business - publishing ethics and efficiency in work, as well as respect for all deadlines, authors, reviews and paper is characterized by the WSEAS Journal. Every recommendation and congratulations on the great work of the WSEAS team.

Sincerely,

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Dear WSEAS

In a scientific work - submission of publication - is an important step. In WSEAS Journals, Peer review of the paper is carried out by experts in the discipline on which the paper is based. Reading a paper with a critical and analytical mind means that these comments must be logical, coherent, and focused. In WSEAS Journals, the review can make a dramatic change in scientific work and serves to highlight valuable material for researchers and subsequently facilitate its publication. The development of the research structure and the valorization of knowledge is a challenge for doctors in all fields. Dear researchers, valorization is a secret of development.

As experts, we still have a chance to leave our mark in the world of science: "The real investment in the world is not the one where we earn money; scientific research is an investment in the future". So, We thank the editor-in-chief and Assistant Editor of WSEAS journal and we thank Reviewers who review interesting papers in various fields.

Many Thanks. Regards.

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Good Morning

Hope this mail finds you well

This is to inform you that Yesterday our manuscript has appeared on the Scopus database. Therefore, I would like to thank you for your effort and support. I do respect your professional work, transparency, integrity, high quality strict peer review by 3-5 reviewersand honesty with the authors. I am so proud to deal with a trustful and respectful journal and publisher such as WSEAS. Hope that we can collaborate in the near future on further publications. Once more thank you for everything.Have a blessed day.

Regards

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"I have just seen the site: https://www.wseas.org/main/authortestimonials.php and I want also spontaneously to contribute. I have published some papers in WSEAS Transactions, while several of mv papers submitted in WSEAS have been rejected. Recently, I organized a special Issue with 5 papers in WSEAS Transactions on Environment and Development. I received 5 papers and I forwarded them to WSEAS. Only one paper was accepted in WSEAS Transactions on *Environment and Development, the other 4 were rejected. So, the* statistics on their web site are absolutely true. For several years now, for every paper submitted in WSEAS journals and WSEAS Transactions, I received rigorous peer review line by line on all of my papers. I thank the WSEAS reviewers (really international experts on their field of research) that WSEAS used for my papers. These reviewers' comments helped my team to improve my papers. It is usual the reviewers of WSEAS to send you 2-3 pages with comments commenting on your paper. Usually the WSEAS reviewers find in my papers various mistakes in Equations, various omissions in Figures and Tables and several corrections in English Language. All these *years, I have published several papers in WSEAS and nobody has* asked me to pay for anything. WSEAS is really the emerald of academic publishers. Do not publish in various dubious, fake, predatory publishers (outside WSEAS). Publish in WSEAS conferences, WSEAS books and WSEAS journals."

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"The new year is coming, and I wish you a happy new year! For the last several years, I have published some papers in WSEAS journals. Although some of my papers submitted in WSEAS have been rejected, I am really grateful to the reviewers, because the reviewers' comments helped us very very much to improve our papers. For every paper submitted in WSEAS journals and WSEAS Transactions, I received serious, detailed and rigorous peer review. WSEAS is really a very nice academic publisher, which is really much better than many predatory publishers. I wonder why the ISI Web of Knowledge has not been indexed the WSEAS Transactions yet. Thanks! And happy new year!" Prof. Xiaodong Zhuang, Electronics & Information College, Qingdao University Qingdao, China E-mail:xdzhuang@qdu.edu.cn

"I have sent some papers to WSEAS recently. WSEAS is a real, genuine, publisher and it does not have any relation with dubious publishers with fake review. I work in the University Space in the last 25 years and I certify to everybody that the WSEAS does not have any relation with the so-called predatory publishers and has neven been involved in Predatory Publishing practices. I have never sent papers to Predatory Publishers and I have never been involved in predatory publishing techniques When I receive an email from a Predatory Publisher I inform the Authority against Cyber Crime and other Predatory Practices in my country https://cyberalert.gr/contact/ and I learn very soon who is the owner of the predatory email! I am proud that my papers have been published in WSEAS which WSEAS does not have any relation with Predatory Publishers

Best Regards and stay away from predatory publishers

Marios Poulos Ionio University Corfu, Greece

4 WSEAS Reviewers

Taking this opportunity, we would like to let you know that more than 14,000 reviewers have evaluated WSEAS articles the past 10 years. Their names and email addresses are available at our website <u>www.wseas.com</u>. Moreover, every author that publishes with us is obliged to sign a certification where is mentioned that i) at least three or more reviewers responded with comments and that certifies the peer-review process ii) no references where added by the reviewers or WSEAS and iii) the article has passed the Turnitin check.

Moreover to inform you that the rejection rate is very high with 1/5 articles being accepted and all the Editors-in-Chief have signed a certificate where they certify the rejection rate.

So, it would be totally unfair to think that our journals are Predatory

What do the Editors-in-Chief say about the review process in our Journals:

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5 Conclusion

WSEAS Authors sent us from time to time complaints that they receive spam from Predatory Publishers. It has come to our notice that some hackers and crooks used the name of one of our former clerks just to collect papers from authors. Also, they sent us complaints that they received spam from a hacker with an email address **andrew.rosseli@jpmorgan.com.** This email address has never had any relation with WSEAS.

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