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Provided as Comparator. Retain B.

IFIP-SEC is a well established conference (in its 35th edition in 2021) and according to Google scholar, its h5-index is 15, a relatively good number in comparison to other B ranked conferences in the same For Code. The acceptance rates in 2017 and 2019 have been low (19 and 18) with relatively high numbers of submissions. The committee has also noted that in 2019 and 2017 the conference has been organised and chaired by senior and well established researchers in the area (both general chairs and program committee chairs). The technical program committee includes a good number of researchers with high h-indexes who do engage well with the conference. According to the WPP report of the Top Program committee members, this conference was published at 11 times by 8 of 18 experts in the last 5 years. The committee noted an anomaly with most of the data they reviewed for the year 2018 with significant drop in the number of submissions, a higher acceptance rate of 30 and the conference being organised and chaired by lesser recognised researchers in the field. However, on balance, the committee agrees unanimously to maintain the conference ranking as B.