Redmine - Defect #37517

User disclosure vulnerability via "Forgot password" functionality

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Duplicate

Status:	Closed	Start date:	
Priority:	Normal	Due date:	
Assignee:		% Done:	0%
Category:	Security	Estimated time:	0.00 hour
Target version:			

Affected version:

Resolution: Description

The redmine application reveals the existing users in the system database and their current status by using the "forgot password" functionality, as different messages will appear when entering your email to recover your password if the user in the email is pending approval, does not correspond to any user or is assigned to an active user.

This could therefore help attackers to perform more sophisticated and targeted brute force attacks.

Solution: Display the same message when executing this functionality, without differentiating whether the user exists, is pending approval or is incorrect.

Related issues:

Is duplicate of Redmine - Defect #6254: Remove "Unknown user" notification on... Closed

History

#1 - 2022-08-11 00:43 - Mischa The Evil

- Is duplicate of Defect #6254: Remove "Unknown user" notification on password request with non-existent email address added

#2 - 2022-08-11 00:46 - Mischa The Evil

- Status changed from New to Closed
- Resolution set to Duplicate

Thanks for filing this issue. Though, a similar request is already being tracked as issue #6254. As such I am closing this issue as a duplicate of it.

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