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### **Offender Convergence Settings in Cyberspace**

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## **Abstract**

This presentation tests the hypothesis that Felson's offender convergence settings (physical locations in which – potential - offenders meet each other) also exist in cyberspace. The analysis is based on a forum that specialized in carding, the fraudulent use of personal data taken from bank cards and credit cards. The data used in this presentation comes from the Dutch High Tech Crime Team.