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PROFESSIONAL OVERVIEW

I am an Information Security consultant with a managerial background. I have been being responsible for the governance of security demands in various industries. I am expert at determining secure business processes, policy documentation, standards and procedures.

I am an experienced in InfoSec laws & standards and controls application. I help organisations with their security governance frameworks, risk management, awareness training and business continuity planning.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE

- Designed and implemented an **ISO27001** information security management system
- Disaster Recovery testing and leading of technical and end-user test teams
- Wrote and implemented **Business Continuity** and **Disaster Recovery** policies and procedures
- Developed, gained board approval and implemented effective security policies & procedures
- Consulted on risk management and provided technical and business specifications
- Computer Weekly columnist

CAREER HISTORY

June 2012 – Present
Information Security Analyst: John Lewis Partnership
Project: Deliver an automated 3rd party access management solution
Review and management of users' and external partners' information access and exchange
Analysis of the 3rd party access process and documentation.
Liaising with all departments to update investigation processes and accompanying manuals.
Fortnightly blog on the Intranet to improve user security awareness

Apr 2012 to June 2012
Information Security Analyst: NEST
Project: Prepare IT outsourcing contracts and policies for signoff. I reviewed all documentation and procedures, rewrote to ensure compliance with legislation and enterprise standards
I analysed, defined and implemented an improved Starters/Leavers process to ensure closure of all leavers' accounts
I delivered an Information Security training module for senior managers.

Dec 2011 to Mar 2012
Information Security Analyst: Anglian Water
Project: To tailor the InfoSec standards and policies and make them easily acceptable to group heads.
I restructured the Information Security policies, standards and procedures. I successfully mapped all the governance documentation into a centralised reference with future deployment in SharePoint. I then delivered a framework for assurance through an **ISO27001** based **ISMS**.

Jul 2010 to Jul 2011
Information Security Analyst: Ofcom
Co-ordinator of all InfoSec issues in BAU. I am able to report on policy change e.g. a Clear Desk Policy after "walking the floors" on late evenings. Another example is the new **Data** Disposal Policy because of my 'dumpster diving' during an informal audit.

I wrote a weekly InfoSec blog on the Intranet. My topics included 'securing removable media' and 'maintaining a clear desk'. Line managers soon requested safer methods of processing information especially with Third Party partners.

I represented InfoSec and gave advice to the following groups:
Technical Change Advisory Board
Crisis Management Group
Security Committee
ICT Management Group

I had a strong relationship with the new IT Supplier's InfoSec group and used my authority to improve the joint InfoSec offering. During the year of the Transition, I meet with all levels of management from the suppliers. I provided InfoSec assurance to the technical teams on both sides of a transition relationship. I guided the designs, policies and implementations. I had very good communications with these highly skilled workers and this made InfoSec one of the project's successes.

I developed the InfoSec policies and procedures for Ofcom's post-transition. I did an asset registration, a risk assessment and then used Excel to track the effects of the ISO 27001 standard. I introduced an **ISMS** framework and used a RAG report to document the **ISMS** going forward.

I met weekly with the Supplier's security experts, reported to the CIO, made recommendations to the Security Committee. I got approval for new Guest Wireless, **Data** Disposal, Basic Vetting and eLearning policies.

I maintained the technical InfoSec such as penetration testing, patch updates, network access, IDS, IPS and safe decommissioning & disposal of equipment through use of in-house and Third Party suppliers. I re-certified the GSI Network and the organisation's PCI DSS accreditation.

Highlights
- Changed the Starters/Leavers process to enhance security
- Delivered an InfoSec e-Learning module for all colleagues
- Wrote policy and enforced InfoSec for the transition to a new IT supplier

Jan 2009 to Sept 2009
Assistant Lecturer in Computer Science: University of Bedfordshire
- Managed student administration in the Computer department
- Developed lecture content for InfoSec related courses
- Provided private English language tuition

Nov 2007 to Dec 2008
Information Security Analyst: Ofcom
- Implemented a **ISO27001** security management cycle for the organisation
- **Data** Protection Act compliance
- PCI DSS compliance of e-commerce applications

Aug 2007 to Nov 2007
Tutor and Business Speaker: Self Employed
- Tutored A-Level students in ICT, Maths and English
- InfoSec presentations to Luton Business Breakfast groups

Jan 2007 to Jul 2007
Information Risk and Compliance Analyst: Citigroup
- Identified risk assessment issues and delivered corrective action plans
- Identified control weaknesses through vulnerability and control assessments
- Worked to Sarbanes Oxley and Financial Services Authority (**FSA**) controls

PART TIME ACTIVITY

Sept 2011 to Present
Instructor: Learning Tree
I present the two-day Implementing Information Security with ISO/IEC 27002 Certification course to professionals moving into Information Security. I plan to teach 6 days in 2012.

Sept 2009 to Present
Enterprise Lecturer in Computer Science: University of Bedfordshire
I manage the BSc projects for all students and their supervisors within the Department of Computer Science and Technology. I consult to local businesses. I lectured on Information Security in networks and digital forensics.

I supervise students' dissertations that cover many topics including the following:
- Information Security in network
- Digital Forensics

Highlights
- Supervised over 60 BSc and MSc projects in Information Security

EARLY CAREER INCLUDES

- Oct 2004 to Oct 2006: Information Security Lead: Kinetic Solutions
- Apr 2004 to Oct 2004: Reporting Services Developer: Kinetic Solutions
- Jan 2004 to Mar 2004: Tutorial Developer: Scheidegger
- Jan 2003 to Jan 2004: Web Developer Apprentice: MidniteHour UK
- Jan 2003 to Jan 2004: Project Support Executive: University of Luton
- Jun 2002 to Sep 2002: Staff IT Researcher (Scholarship Winner): Interbrew UK
- Jun 2001 to Sep 2001: **Data**base Designer (Scholarship Winner): Interbrew UK
- Jan 1980 to Sep 2000: Owner: Sean Pollonais Designs

KEY SKILLS

- Information Security Laws & Standards (CMA, DPA, **ISO27001**, PCI DSS and SOx)

- Controls & Compliance, Governance, Risk Assessment Management , **Prince2**, **HMG** Information Assurance Standard, ITIL
- **ISMS** implementation
- Windows platforms, UNIX (Solaris, HP-UX) and Oracle
- Microsoft Office, Visio, Microsoft Project, SQL Server 2005 Reporting Services, Microsoft SharePoint, Active Directory, Websense
- Prolific writer and presenter of Security Awareness training

EDUCATION

- 2011 - EXIN Information Security Foundation based on ISO/IEC 27002
- 2008 - CISSP: Certified Information Systems Security Professional
- 2006 - Masters of Science Degree: Information Security
- 2003 - Bachelor of Science Degree: Artificial Intelligence 1st Class Honours

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Member of the British Computer Society
- Enterprise Information Management
- Cloud Security Alliance
- Internet Search & eCrime