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"Cybersecurity as an enabler for Digital Economy"

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SUMMIT OVERVIEW



“Cybersecurity as an enabler for Digital Economy”

The 12th Regional Cybersecurity Week 2024 is organized by Regional Cybersecurity Centre (RCC) in Muscat, Sultanate of Oman from the 28 – 31 October 2024, at the Grand Millennium Hotel, Muscat, Sultanate of Oman.

This year's proceedings are hosted by the Ministry of Transport, Communications and Information Technology through Oman National CERT (OCERT).

The theme of the Event is **“Cybersecurity as an enabler for Digital Economy”**.

Cybersecurity comes on the list of priorities in the Sultanate of Oman, the business and government sectors align with the directions of the Oman Vision 2040. Muscat was selected to be the Arab Digital Capital for this year. The Sultanate's candidacy file came under the slogan “A Digital Future That Creates Opportunities,” which focused on three important areas: “Cyber Security, Digital Innovation, Digital Capabilities”. This will aim to develop digital talent and skills in the Arab World, and enhance cooperation in cybersecurity and encourage investment in the digital economy.

SUMMIT MISSION:

To enhance capacity and capabilities of the Regional Cybersecurity Centre (RCC) RCC partner countries. The summit will also improve the regional collaboration between the Arab countries.

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The Ministry of Transport, Communications and Information Technology supervises a number of national projects Such as, the ports and airports that connect the Sultanate with the world and contribute to diversifying the sources of income and achieve sustainable development in various economic, industrial, commercial, tourism and other fields.

These efforts are accompanied with the Ministry's relentless strive to make the transport and logistics sectors in the Sultanate have a global reputation, to be the second source of national income and within the top ten in logistics performance at the international level by 2040.

The Ministry is also the responsible body for formulating and implementing the government digital strategies and programs in the Sultanate of Oman. Its main mission is to raise the level of efficiency in government performance, support innovation in service delivery, and enhance spending and economic growth through the use of information and communication technology.
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Oman National CERT

Oman National Computer Emergency Readiness Team (OCERT) was officially launched in April 2010 to analyse risks and security threats that may be present in cyberspace and communicate this information to users of Internet services and technical information outlets, whether they are public or private institutions, or individuals. This added sense of security will also help to build trust when using government eServices. With the current emphasis on expanding and positioning the Official eGovernment Services Portal as the point of contact for using government electronic services, enabling users to feel confident interacting with these services is crucial. OCERT is hosting, managing and operating the Regional Cybersecurity Center since its official launching on 3rd of March 2013.

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Regional Cybersecurity Center



The Regional Cybersecurity Center (RCC) is established in December 2012 by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the Omani Government, represented by the Ministry of Transport, Communications and Information Technology (MTCIT) and with a vision of creating a safer and cooperative cybersecurity environment in the Arab Region and strengthening the role of ITU in building confidence and security in the use of information and communication technologies in the region. In line with the objectives of the ITU Global Cybersecurity Agenda (GCA), RCC acts as the ministry's cybersecurity hub in the region localizing and coordinating cybersecurity initiatives. RCC is hosted, managed and operated by Oman National CERT (OCERT). <https://www.arcc.om>

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In November 1988, a computer security incident known as the “Internet worm” brought major portions of the Internet to its knees. Reaction to this incident was isolated and uncoordinated, resulting in much duplicated effort, and in conflicting solutions. Weeks later, the CERT* Coordination Center was formed. Soon after, the United States Department of Energy formed the Computer Incident Advisory Capability (CIAC) to serve its constituents. Over the next two years, the number of incident response teams continued to grow, each with its own purpose, funding, reporting requirements, and constituency. The interaction between these teams experienced difficulties due to differences in language, time zone, and international standards or conventions. In October 1989, a major incident called the “Wank worm” highlighted the need for better communication and coordination between teams. The FIRST was formed in 1990 in response to this problem. Since that time, it has continued to grow and evolve in response to the changing needs of the incident response and security teams and their constituencies. Today, the Forum of Incident Response and Security Teams (FIRST) consists of internet emergency response teams from more than 490 corporations, government bodies, universities and other institutions across 92 countries in the Americas, Asia, Europe, Africa, and Oceania. It promotes cooperation among computer security incident response teams.

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The Organisation of The Islamic Cooperation – Computer Emergency Response Teams (OIC-CERT) was established in year 2009, with a vision of Envisioning OIC-CERT to be a leading cyber security platform to make the world a safe cyber space and carrying out its mission as a platform to develop cyber security capabilities to mitigate cyber threats by leveraging global collaboration. The OIC-CERT is an affiliate member of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC). The OIC is the second largest organization after the United Nations with 57 Member States. The OIC-CERT as for October 2022 has a strong network and strategic collaboration with 59 members from 27 OIC countries. This alliance is further supported through the presence of 26 full members, 16 general members, 7 commercial members, 5 professional members, 3 fellow members, 1 affiliate member and 1 honorary member.

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H.E. Sayyid Dr. Munther Al Busaidi

Vice-Chairman

Vision 2040 Implementation Follow-Up Unit, Oman

The unit is tasked with following up and supporting the implementation of the vision's programs and initiatives. Prior to joining the unit, he was an advisor to the Behavioral Economics Department in the Ministry of Economy.

He was also vital in setting up the department and leading it in the first year of establishment. He was also the Assistant Dean for Training and Community Service in the College of Economics and Political Science at Sultan Qaboos University. His role involved building ties with the public and private sectors through joint projects and initiatives. Dr. Munther was also a founding partner at The Firm for Business & Economic Consulting. The company specializes in management consultancy and capacity building. He has a PhD from the University of Melbourne - Australia and a master's degree from the University of Illinois – USA



H.E. Dr. Ali Al Shidhani

Undersecretary

Ministry Of Transport, Communications And Information Technology For ICT, Oman

- August 2020, he became the Undersecretary of the Ministry of Transport, Communications and Information Technology for Communications and Information Technology
- During 2019 Dr Ali Al Shidhani worked as the Group VP of Technology at ASYAD Group His role was to develop and steer technology and innovation strategy for ASYAD Group
- Between November 2014 and January 2019 he Worked as the Director of the Research Centers department and Acting Director of the Institute of Advanced Technology Integration, as well as the Director of the Communications and Information Sector at the Research Council of Oman
- Prior to that, he was a visiting researcher at City University London where he researched the topic of information security in future cities
- Since October 2001 to October 2014 he was a faculty member in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Sultan Qaboos University
- In 2010 he received his PhD in Electrical and Computer Engineering from the University of British Columbia, Canada
- In 2003 he received his Masters of IT in Data Communications from Queensland University of Technology, Australia
- In 2001 he received his Eng degree in Electrical and Computer Engineering from Sultan Qaboos University in 2001

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H.E Tahir Al Amri

Chief Executive Officer

Central Bank of Oman (CBO), Oman

The Executive President is the Chief Executive of the Bank and is responsible for providing an overall leadership, direction and control to the bank for maximizing the fulfillment of its mission, goals, and objectives. Prior to

his current role, H.E. Tahir bin Salim bin Abdullah Al Amri has been the Deputy CEO, Oman Investment & Finance Co; Director General of Budget & Contracts, Ministry of Finance, Oman; Director General of Treasury & Accounts, Ministry of Finance, Oman; Head of the Office of His Excellency the Minister of National Economy & Supervisor of Ministry of Finance, Oman; Director of the Gas Revenue Department, Ministry of Finance, Oman to name a few. H.E. is an experienced treasury and finance professional with demonstrated successful track record in all aspects of treasury and finance functions.

Boards and Memberships:

- Chairman of the National Committee for Combating Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing
- Chairman of the Joint Committee for Financial Stability
- Member of the Board of Directors of the Financial Services Authority
- Member of the E-Defense Committee
- Member of the National Competitiveness Committee
- Chairman of the Audit and Risk Committee of the Financial Services Authority



Eng. Badar Alsalehi

Director General of **Oman National CERT**, Head of **Regional Cybersecurity Center (RCC)** and Chair of **OIC-CERT, Oman**

Eng. Al Salehi is the Director General of Oman National CERT which is the e-Oman national initiative addressing the cyber security issues in the sultanate of Oman. Additionally, he carries out other leading roles and responsibilities

where he is the head of the Regional Cyber Security Center (RCC), Sultanate of Oman.) He is also the chairman of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation Computer Emergency Response Team (OIC-CERT) and he sets as a member in several national and regional committees including committees within the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC).

He has been working for several governmental agencies and had the opportunity to lead several national projects and initiatives that achieved international recognitions and prizes.

The Academic study and experience of Mr Al Salehi, has been at the University of Kent in the United Kingdom where he lived in the UK for a number of years.

Additionally, he holds several professional and specialized qualifications and certifications and he has been speaking and representing Oman in several regional and international meetings, conferences and events.

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H.E. Dr. Mohamed Hamad Al Kuwaiti

Head of Cyber Security Council

United Arab Emirates Government, UAE

Dr. Al Kuwaiti has been appointed into the Cabinet as the Head of Cyber Security for the UAE Government since 2020. As the Head of Cyber Security, his mandate includes being the Chairman of the UAE Cyber Security Council as well as Managing Director of the National Data Centre under the Supreme Council for National Security. As the Head of Cyber Security for the UAE Government by investiture, Dr. Al Kuwaiti has legal authority over all aspects pertaining to securing cyberspace for the entire Nation. In his current role, Dr. Al Kuwaiti is tasked with the responsibility of charting a cyber security strategy for the Nation that not only ensuring that the UAE will be entering into the digital era with fully capable of dealing with the new threat landscape brought about by the pandemic, but also to ensure UAE's leadership in cyber security globally towards establishing the UAE as the world's leading trusted digital hub supporting the Nation's digital transformation agenda and the digital future of all residents who made UAE their home. Towards that end, he led the Council to put together an implementation plan to protect the UAE cyberspace through emerging technologies such as Cloud, Big Data and AI in a whole-of-government approach coordinating and orchestrating efforts between Emirates or government entities via a unified platform built and managed by the Council.



Dr. Ahmed Ali Abdel-Hafez

Vice President for Cyber Security Affairs

National Telecommunication Regulatory Authority (NTRA), Egypt

Dr. Ahmed has B.Sc. and M.Sc., in Electrical Engineering from Military Technical College (MTC) in 1990, 1997 respectively, he has a Ph.D. from the University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada in 2003.

Dr. Ahmed has more than 32 years' experience in the field of Telecommunication Systems, he is Certified as a Consultant in Information Security Systems Since 2013 (Engineering Syndicate of Egypt) and was responsible for establishing and developing Cryptography Research Center (CRC) (Egyptian MOD) including the management, supervision, and capacity building of center staff, and became a Head of the Center for 8 years whereby led the design, development of a National Encryption Algorithm, and production of different cryptosystems for the defense and governmental sectors. DR. Ahmed worked as Visiting Lecturer/Professor in numerous top universities in Egypt, where he has Academic Supervision of PhD and MSc students in top universities in Egypt (30+ researcher) and has 70+ international publications in peer reviewed scientific journals and in academic conferences. Dr. Ahmed chairs the Executive Bureau of The Egyptian Supreme Cybersecurity Council as well as a prime member of the Egyptian Supreme Cybersecurity Council. Dr. Ahmed was awarded with the Second-Class Order of the Republic by the President of Egypt, Abdel Fattah Al-Sisi, (in 2020) for his significant and distinguished contributions.

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Shaikh Salman bin Mohammed Al Khalifa
CEO

National Cyber Security Center of Bahrain

Sheikh Salman bin Mohammed Al Khalifa currently serves as the CEO of the National Cyber Security Center (NCSC). A graduate of Suffolk University in Boston, Massachusetts, USA, he holds a double major in Accounting and Information Technology. His career spans over two decades, with extensive experience in IT, cybersecurity, and digital transformation. Sheikh Salman began his career at the Central Informatics Organization (CIO), later contributing to the establishment of IT infrastructure at the Royal Court. His tenure at the Information and eGovernment Authority (IGA) saw him rise through various key positions, from Network Engineer and Head of the Smart Card Initiative Project, to General Director of Information Technology, culminating in his role as Executive Vice President of Operations and Governance. During his time at IGA, Sheikh Salman spearheaded several landmark projects. Notably, he led the implementation of the New Government Data Network (GDN), which linked all governmental agencies across Bahrain through high-speed MPLS. He also oversaw the development of Bahrain's National Identity Card using Smartcard Technology, a critical component of the country's digital transformation. In addition, Sheikh Salman played a pivotal role in advancing Bahrain's e-Government initiative. He developed and deployed applications that enabled the delivery of e-Services via the National Portal (bahrain.bh) by integrating systems across multiple government organizations. He also established Bahrain's government private cloud, laying the groundwork for the consolidation of IT infrastructure across agencies. Currently, he is leading the technical team responsible for migrating Bahrain's government IT services to Amazon Web Services (AWS), marking a significant step in the nation's digital journey. As CEO of the National Cyber Security Center (NCSC), Sheikh Salman leads Bahrain's national cybersecurity initiatives. His efforts focus on critical areas such as cybersecurity monitoring, incident response, awareness programs, and establishing national cybersecurity standards. Under his leadership, the NCSC is ensuring the Kingdom's resilience against cyber threats and promoting a robust culture of cybersecurity across all sectors.



H.E Bassam Maharma
President

National Cybersecurity Center (NCSC)

- President at National Cyber Security Center (NCSC)
 - Cybersecurity Consultant at Government of Qatar
 - Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) at Jordan armed forces
 - Director at National Cybersecurity Program (NCP)
- Cybersecurity executive with nearly 33+ years of experience in IT Security, Information Operation and Information Warfare.
- Master's Degree in Computer and Information Systems security/Information Assurance from Naval Postgraduate School, California, USA

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General Mustafa Al Rabii

Director of **Moroccan National CERT** and Vice President of **African Network of Cybersecurity Authorities ANCA, Morocco**

- A cybersecurity expert with more than 15 years of experience in risk management, protecting critical information systems and implementing national cybersecurity strategies.
- In 2011, he led the team responsible for establishing the Directorate General for Information Systems Security (DGSSI).

- Responsible for developing and implementing national cybersecurity strategies and multi-year action plans

Thanks to these efforts, the DGSSI was ranked 50th by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) in 2021 and is now in the first group (Tier 1) of leading countries in the field of cybersecurity globally.

Professional experience:

- Director in charge of the General Directorate of Information Systems Security and Director of the National Cyber Security Centre (2011-present)
- Oversees national cyber incident response and manages the National Cybersecurity Incident Response Team.
- Responsible for coordinating national cybersecurity efforts between government and private entities and organizations in the field of cybersecurity.
- He held several positions in information systems management and IT security, specializing in telecoms, cryptography and cyber-defence.

Scientific qualifications:

- Graduate of the Royal Military Academy, Class of 1986
- Graduate Diploma in Computer Science and Engineering, the University of the Bundeswehr Munich
- Master's Degree Specializing in National Defence, Royal Military College of Graduate Studies

SPEAKERS



H.E. Stella Kloth

**Ambassador of the Kingdom of Netherlands
Oman**

Since 2021, I am serving as the Ambassador in Muscat, Oman, representing the Kingdom of the Netherlands. Prior to this role, I was Head of Department for Crisis Management and Peace Operations. My diplomatic journey has taken me to diverse regions, including Afghanistan and Sudan, and I've also worked at our Permanent Mission to the European Union in Brussels. My career at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs began in 2001, where I held various roles focusing on Latin America and the Horn of Africa.



Mona Ostvang

Vice Chair

FIRST Board of Directors

Mona holds a master of technology from the Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) in information security. She has for the past 15 years worked in the cyber security domain, specializing on Incident Response. She has been the incident manager for several large cyber security incidents for various organizations in the private and public sector, and worked on helping customers prepare for responding to such incidents through incident response frameworks, training and exercises. In June 2021, Mona was elected to the board of Forum of incident response and security teams (FIRST). She is currently the board member responsible for FIRST events and holds the position of vice chair. She is also the conference chair of the FIRST annual conference taking place in Copenhagen June 2025.



Eng. Mohamed Ben Amor

Secretary-General

Arab Information and Communication Technologies Organization

Mr. Mohamed Ben Amor was elected Secretary-General of the Arab Information and Communication Technologies Organization in 2016. He launched several regional and international initiatives and programs, which contributed to the increase of the organization's outreach and the joining of many public and private sector institutions as associate members. Mr. BEN AMOR has over 25 years of experience, specializing in the use and evolution of information and communication technologies for development, as well as in analytical, policy, management and coordination functions at national, regional and international level. Mr. Ben Amor, before being elected SG of AICTO in 2016, has occupied successively the post of Special Advisor to the Minister of Industry and Technologies (2011), Special Advisor to the Minister of Information and Communication Technologies (2012 – 2013) Special Advisor to the Minister of Higher Education Scientific Research and ICT (2014) and Special Advisor to the Minister of Communication Technologies and Digital Economy (2015). He

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was General Director of Telecommunications Research and Studies Center (2009 – 2010).

Mr Ben Amor is an expert to many international institutions (World Bank, African Development Bank, UN Economic Commission for Western Asia ESCWA, etc.) and in this capacity has led several international techno- economic studies and development projects. He was a board member of the International Telecommunication Union, member of the Board of the Arab Satellite Communication Organization, ARABSAT, and member of the technology experts committee of ESCWA. Mr. Ben Amor holds a Master diploma in International Project Management from the “Conservatoire National d’Arts et des Métiers”, CNAM - Paris (France), and a Diploma of Engineer from the Naval Academy, AN (Tunisia).



Dr. Feras Bakkour

Co-founder and Chairman

Arab Internet and Telecom Union (ARISPA)

Business executive, investor, and NGO activist, with over 20 years of experience and expertise in the areas of Information and Telecommunication Technology, and capacity building. Co-founder and Chairman of the Arab Internet and Telecom Union (ARISPA), with a long experience in setting up successful strategic partnerships, cooperation and collaboration with other organizations in the Arab region. Has a DBA (Doctorate in Business Administration) from European University Business School , Geneva - Switzerland, and BSc in Civil engineering from Damascus University, Damascus - Syria.



Khaled Mahmoud Wali

Director

ICT Development - Arab League

With more than twenty years of experience in the area of implementing high-level trade and environment and telecommunication and information technology agreements in the Arab region. Mr. Wali is currently the Head of ICT Development in the Arab League in Cairo. Over the course of his career, he has gathered a diverse portfolio of professional experiences, working with multilateral organizations in the Arab world which have led him to become a regional expert in his areas of specialization.

He is managing the following duties as the Technical Secretariat for the permanent Arab committee for communication and information technology and the Technical Secretariat for the permanent Arab committee for post and the Technical secretariat for the executive committee and Arab council for the ministers responsible for communication and information technology. Moreover, providing assistance to Arab countries on the country’s capital level to enhance their cooperation with the International Telecommunication Union and Universal Postal Union.

SPEAKERS



Osama Kamel

CEO

Mercury Communications

Osama Kamel is the program presenter, is one of the most important announcers in Egypt and the Arab world TV anchor for almost 36 years. Kamal was the official interpreter for former Presidents and continues to be

a person with high-level political and economic connections in Egypt. Kamal is the only political talk show anchor to be privileged by conducting an exclusive TV interview with President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi. The interview was conducted on the occasion of two years since the president took office. It was aired on all Egyptian governmental, local and private channels and it went on for more than 90 minutes. He joined the acting group of the school theater group and played basketball at Al Ittihad Club of Alexandria.

Kamal participated in foreign music programs «European Program», the latest qualitative shift in the radio, which was the first program of dialogue to allow the receipt of telephone calls on the radio, in 1986 And graduated from the Faculty of Languages and Translation, Al-Azhar University in 1984. Moved between a number of satellite channels, including (Egyptian space) The English newscast on Channel Two



Iman Mahmoud Odeh

Director of Cybersecurity Development

Oman National CERT

Iman is Director of Cybersecurity Development at the Ministry of Transport, communication, and Information Technology of Oman (MTCIT)\ Oman National CERT and Arab Regional Cyber Security Center (ARCC) with more

than 13 years of professional experience in various business and technical IT and Cyber Security domains with successful track on managing projects and events. Iman holds an MBA degree from Bedford Shire University and a Bachelor Degree In Networking from Majan College. She started her career at the Information Technology Authority of Oman In 2009 and In 2016 she joined the ITU Regional cyber security (ITU-ARCC) that was established by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the Sultanate of Oman, represented by the Information Technology Authority (currently MTCIT) and operated by Oman National CERT. Iman has been playing a significant role in extending and coordinating the delivery of the Regional center services to ITU member states in various regions including the development of cyber security strategies, capacity building, cyber security assessments and CERT implementations. She has been also leading a number of the regional center initiatives including national and Regional CTF completions and the regional cyber security week as well as Oman's contributions to various regional and international platforms including OIC-CERT, Cooperation with FIRST and facilitating MoUs of cooperation with regional and international cyber security Organizations.

SPEAKERS



Rashid Salim Al Salmi

CEO

Insight Information Security

Worked in the aviation and banking sectors until 2010

- Specialized in information security since 2003, and before that in the field of programming since 1998
- Currently holds the position of CEO of Insight Information Security Company
- Has many contributions to the information security sector in the Sultanate, especially in the field of awareness work



Dr. Aloysius Cheang

Chief Security Officer

Huawei Middle East & Central Asia

Aloysius is currently the Chief Security Officer for Huawei Middle East & Central Asia based in Dubai, the UAE covering 24 countries geographically and 57 countries functionally. Additionally, he is a Board member with a

UK-based cyber leadership focused think tank, Centre for Strategic Cyberspace and International Studies (CSCIS), an ex-Board member of ISC2 Global and currently an advisor to the ISC2 UAE, Singapore and Taipei Chapters. In his career spanning over 22 years, Aloysius had delivered direct business values in strategic, complex, multi-year and multi-million-dollar technology and cyber programs for Global 500 organizations worldwide, while managing large multi-cultural, multi-disciplinary teams spread across 5 continents and 4 major time zones. He was a Co-Founder and Managing Director of Cloud Security Alliance APAC and was the Chief Standard Officer globally. Prior to the CSA, Aloysius was Worldwide Head for Security for Vodafone Global Enterprise and a Security Practice Leader with PricewaterhouseCoopers Singapore, having started his career with DSO National Laboratories in Singapore focusing on Defence R&D. As a globally recognized cybersecurity expert, Aloysius defined the term “Cybersecurity” having authored the first edition of ISO/IEC 27032 “Guidelines for Cybersecurity” and his professional perspectives are highly valued by major international media such as the BBC, Times, Wall Street Journal, ZDNet, ISMG, MSN News, CXO Insights, Teletimes International, Xinhua News, SCMP, Phoenix Media, The Hindu, The Nation, Bangkok Post, Economic Times Daily, China Times, The Straits Times, ChannelNewsAsia, Zawya, The National, Gulf Business, ITP, Telecom Review, Teletimes and Al Bawaba.

SPEAKERS



Valdimar Oskarsson

CEO

Keystrike Inc.

Valdimar brings over two decades of expertise in the cybersecurity industry, having held pivotal roles across a range of domains. His career includes experience as a consultant and Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) for international organizations, as well as serving as the CEO of a prominent penetration testing company, which he successfully grew from 5 to 45 employees over six years and was acquired in 2022. Valdimar was also a co-founder of Adversary, a cybersecurity education platform that was successfully acquired in 2020. Currently, he is the CEO and co-founder of Keystrike, a company focused on advancing security solutions for the modern digital landscape.



Ulykbek Shambulov

Vice Chairman

State Technical Service (Kazakhstan National - CERT)

Master of Cybersecurity and Digital Forensics. Experienced cybersecurity leader with expertise in incident response, APT threat detection, and national-level CERT operations, as well as securing the development process for the National Digital Biometrics Identification system. Proven track record in international technical cooperation and driving cybersecurity initiatives for critical infrastructure. Passionate about enhancing security strategies through advanced threat intelligence and collaboration with global partners.



Murad Balayev

Head of SOC

Azerbaijan Government CERT

Murad Balayev is the Head of the SOC under the Special Communication and Information Security State Service of the Republic of Azerbaijan. With over 10 years of experience in the IT sector, particularly as a key member of Azerbaijan's Government CERT, he has made significant contributions to the country's cybersecurity landscape. He also represents Azerbaijan on the Board of Directors of OIC-CERT. Currently a PhD student specializing in Information Security at the National Defense University of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Murad Balayev holds both a bachelor's and a master's degree in Automation and Management from the Faculty of Automation of Manufacturing Processes at the Azerbaijan State Oil Academy.

As a delegate of Azerbaijan Government CERT, he actively participates in numerous national and international cybersecurity conferences and events. In addition, he regularly conducts master-class trainings at local universities, contributes to conferences as a trainer, and leads projects aimed at enhancing cybersecurity awareness among state institutions.

SPEAKERS



Issa Said Ali Al Rawahi

Head of Risk & Compliance Department

Oman Data Park

As the Head of Risk & Cybersecurity Department at Oman Data Park, I lead efforts to strengthen the overall cybersecurity posture of the organization. My responsibilities include developing and implementing policies that safeguard our infrastructure and customer environments. I drive strategic initiatives to proactively identify and mitigate security risks, ensure compliance with industry standards, and enhance incident detection and response capabilities. By continuously improving our cybersecurity frameworks, I ensure Oman Data Park remains secure and resilient in the face of emerging threats.



Wan Roshaimi Wan Abdullah

Chief Technology Officer (CTO)

Cybersecurity Malaysia

Wan Roshaimi Wan Abdullah is the Chief Technology Officer (CTO) at Cybersecurity Malaysia, bringing over 25 years of experience in cybersecurity risk management and strategic planning. His expertise spans advisory roles, cybersecurity governance, compliance, and operations management. Previously, he served as IT Director at the Gulf Organization for Research & Development, Vice President at Permodalan Nasional Berhad (PNB), and held key positions at MEPS Sdn Bhd, PwC Consulting Services, BAE Systems Detica, and Sapura Secured Technologies.

Wan Roshaimi has a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, USA and several professional certifications such as Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) by International Information System Security Certification Consortium, known as ISC2.



Mohamad Azad Zaki

Deputy Chief Information Security Officer

Cyber Security Brunei (CSB)

Mohamad Azad Zaki is the Deputy Chief Information Security Officer for Cyber Security Brunei (CSB), currently serving the Critical Information Infrastructure (CII) Office. With a 14-year tenure at ITPSS, He also serves as the Lab Director for the National Digital Forensic Laboratory (NDFL). He has spent most of his time consulting public and private agencies on cyber defense, risk, and compliance and had contributed to a few of the publications of key cybersecurity guidelines. Additionally, he is the President of the Brunei Cybersecurity Association, serving until 2025.

SPEAKERS



Said Abdul Ghafoor Saifudeen

CEO

Star Drones

Said Abdul Ghafoor Saif Udeen is a dynamic leader, innovator, and entrepreneur. After graduating from Waljat Colleges of Applied Sciences, he began his career as a Database and Marketing executive for Mercedes-Benz.

He later pursued his passion for animation, becoming a senior digital artist at Reality CG, where he earned award nominations. A move to the U.S. ignited his fascination with drones, leading him to obtain an FAA pilot's license and launch a drone services startup. Said's commitment to technological innovation culminated in the founding of Star Drones, where he continues to push the boundaries of drone technology. Said Abdul Ghafoor Saif Udeen is a visionary leader and entrepreneur. After starting his career with Mercedes-Benz, he transitioned to animation, earning recognition as a senior digital artist. His passion for drones led him to obtain an FAA pilot's license and launch Star Drones, where he drives innovation in drone technology.



Said Al Bahri

Team Leader - Risk & Compliance, Risk & Cyber Security

Oman Data Park

As the Team Lead for Risk and Cybersecurity at Oman Data Park, I oversee key cybersecurity initiatives that protect our infrastructure and customer environments. My role involves managing governance, risk, and compliance

(GRC) functions, ensuring our operations adhere to industry standards and best practices. I lead efforts to identify and mitigate risks, manage cybersecurity frameworks, and ensure regulatory compliance to keep Oman Data Park secure and resilient in a rapidly evolving threat landscape.



Yasir Elkabbany

Senior Regional Director: MiddleEast, North Africa and Levant

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Meet Yasir, a driven professional with over 19 years of experience across IT, IT Learning, Business Development, and Project Management. He holds a Master's degree in Information Systems Management from the prestigious

University of Liverpool, UK. Yasir serves on the advisory boards of several universities in the region and is a principal member of the American Chamber of Commerce-MENA (AMCham-MENA). Prior to joining CompTIA, he managed the Microsoft Enterprise agreement with the government of Oman from 2009 to 2014, leading a team of 50 project managers and their teams to deliver over 70 national projects with a budget of \$45M USD. In 2014, Yasir joined CompTIA as the Territory Manager for the MiddleEast. He has since progressed to his current role as Senior Regional Director for the Middle East, North Africa, and the Levant. At CompTIA, Yasir has designed and led various national upskilling projects and initiatives with governments across the region. He is currently spearheading the largest instructor training program ever launched in the

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Middle East and Africa, aiming to train 200 trainers by the end of 2025. Yasir frequently travels across the region to support CompTIA partners, governments, and clients. Yasir is originally from Egypt, currently lives in the Dubai-UAE with his family. During his leisure time, he enjoys reading, swimming, and cycling.



Mirza Asrar Baig
CEO & Founder
CTM360

Mirza Asrar Baig is the Founder and Chief Executive Officer of CTM360, and is the visionary behind developing the Digital Risk Protection stack that embodies the company concept. His focus remains on building a highly scalable platform with the vision “Build Locally, Scale Globally”, and he believes in empowering the Arab World to be recognized as a leader in technology research and development. Mirza is a Computer Science graduate from King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals (KFUPM - Dhahran, Saudi Arabia). His educational background underscores his deep commitment to research and innovation. With over 30+ years of experience serving the Information Technology and Cybersecurity requirements of the GCC Financial Sector and government bodies, he is playing an instrumental role in safeguarding the region’s digital landscape. Mirza is actively contributing to the region through speaking engagements and providing invaluable insights into threats specific to GCC organizations. His passion for advancing cybersecurity in today’s digital age has left an indelible mark, reflecting his dedication to enhancing cybersecurity and resilience globally. CTM360’s technology platform is primarily data-driven and is on track to profile all organizations across the world leveraging public domain data. The technology enables aggregate analytics and real-time cybersecurity posture on industries, countries, and regions. Mirza is now on a mission to have his technology recognized as the go-to choice for regulators as well.



Ahmed ElRaghy
Senior Advisor
ITU Arab Regional Office, Egypt

Ahmed ElRaghy is the Senior Advisor in the ITU Regional Office for the Arab States starting June 2021. He is responsible for managing the full life cycle of assigned regional initiatives and the operational plan in the Arab Region with the aim to strengthen ITU’s role and position within the UN Sustainable Development Group. Prior to that he held the position of the International Policy Executive Director at the National Telecom Regulatory Authority (NTRA) of Egypt. He was responsible for carrying out strategic and action plans for the development of international strategy, policies, and regulations that would support national telecommunication/ICT objectives, as well as increase foreign investment opportunities. He possesses over 19 years of experience in ICT regulation and policies in fields of services licensing, broadband development, integrated future technologies, innovation, and entrepreneurship areas. He has a proven track record in planning, implementing, and following

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up on international/regional strategies. He was also the key responsible person on successful hosting of the ITU World Radio Conference - WRC19 - and ITU Global Symposium of Regulators - GSR16 . He holds an engineering degree in Communication and Electrical Engineering and Executive Master's degree in Business Administration



Samir Aliyev

Founder and CEO

The Swiss Cyber Institute In Zurich, Switzerland

Samir Aliyev is the Founder and CEO of the Swiss Cyber Institute in Zurich, Switzerland. Since 2018, he has been Academic Programme Director and lead lecturer of the 'Data Protection Officer' and 'Cyber Security for Executives' at the Executive School of the University of St. Gallen. Previously, he was a cybersecurity training expert at expert group meetings in the Africa, Asia-Pacific and Latin America regions for the UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC). He is a PhD researcher in AI in Education at the University of Jyväskylä in Finland.



Seemanta Patnaik

Co-Founder and CTO

SecurEyes

21+ years of IT & ITES experience with 18+ Years of experience in Cyber Security.

Professional Leadership:

- After working at Japan & US, returned to India & Co-founded a global Information Security firm - SecurEyes with 700+ global customers as on date.
- He heads advisory and consulting along with product innovation at SecurEyes primarily focused on supervisory, regulatory, compliance and risk management technologies.
- His flag-ship innovation product SE-REGTRAC won the best technology services award at London in 2023 by the central banking forum (a forum of 131 central banks).
- He has been instrumental in helping achieve service delivery maturity, expanding offerings, providing advisory & consultancy to numerous clients across industries and geographies.
- Spearheaded the product innovation team to develop multiple Cyber Security products for Foundstone Inc. (now a part of McAfee).
- Worked closely with multiple regulatory authorities including ministries, central banks, national. cybersecurity authorities to support in their cyber security initiatives and maturing its supervisory practice.
- Has provided multiple Cyber Security Advisories across multiple financial clients.

Global Conferences & Publications:

- He was the moderator at Central Banking Summer Event at London, 2023 (<https://events.centralbanking.com/meetings-summer/speakers>)
- He was the moderator at BlackHat MEA, 2023

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- He was the moderator at BlackHat MEA, 2022
- He provided his insight in the publication on “Preparing for Quantum Future: Redefining Cybersecurity Protocols” (<https://voiceofladakh.in/2024/04/preparing-for-quantum-future-redefining-cybersecurity-protocols/>)
- He shared his insight in the publication on “Combating the ever-changing cyber threats in banking”(<https://www.centralbanking.com/fintech/cyber/7958872/combating-the-ever-changing-cyber-threats-in-banking>)
- Member of multiple Cybersecurity forums.

Certifications:

- SANS Cyber Threat Intelligence
- CISA (Certified Information Systems Auditor)
- ISO 27001:2013 Lead Auditor course
- CEH (Certified Ethical Hacker)

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- Central Bank Steering Committee Member for
- regulatory audits on “Information Security & Business Continuity” across multiple banks in the country and conducting benchmarking.
- for mission critical investigations
- Evaluating the cyber security maturity across digital banks &fintechs
- Cyber security awareness workshops and technical trainings
- Technology & Solutioning



Fang Zongping

Supplier Cyber Security Management Expert

Huawei Global Procurement Qualification Mgmt Dept.

Fang Zongping has more than 20 years of experience in the telecom industry, including 17 years of experience in Huawei's supply chain business and 7+ years of experience in supplier cyber security management. Graduated

from the School of Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications, China, with a bachelor's degree.



Alsharifeh Noor Bint Ali

First Secretary

Embassy of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

Alsharifeh Noor Bint Ali is a Jordanian Hashemite and a career diplomat who began her service in 2010 as a Diplomatic Attaché at the Jordanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates, following her experience in government consulting with a Jordanian consultancy firm. Since August 2023, she has been serving as First Secretary at the Embassy of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan in Muscat, Oman. Prior to her current posting, Noor worked at both the Economic and International Cooperation Department

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and the Expatriates Affairs Department at the Ministry in Amman. During these two years, she established the Cyber Diplomacy file as a standalone portfolio, liaised with the Jordanian National Cyber Security Center, and closely followed up on its development. Before these roles, Noor served as First Secretary at the Jordanian Embassy in London for four years, where she focused on digital technology issues, development, and special projects. Additionally, she established and led the Digital Presence Unit at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates in Amman, working on the digital transformation of ministry services in collaboration with other Jordanian ministries. Between 2010 and 2016, Noor held roles in various departments within the Ministry, such as the Negotiations Coordination Bureau, the Operations Center, and the Private Office. From 2013 to 2014, Noor took an unpaid leave of absence to serve as Project Manager (for both Jordan & Lebanon) with “BBC Media Action” and in partnership with UNHCR and the Jordanian General Security Directorate, where she led a project that produced short films to assist Syrian refugees in community centres. She developed content covering health, legal services, education, and shelter, helping displaced Syrians navigate life as refugees. Noor also managed cross-border teams and worked closely with refugee communities and aid workers to ensure the project’s relevance and impact.

Noor holds a bachelor’s degree in Policy Management from Dickinson College in Pennsylvania, USA. During her studies, she launched a series of talks titled “A Taste of Jordan,” aimed at enhancing understanding of Jordan and Islam, which reached over 5,000 students across the U.S. East Coast. An active advocate for public diplomacy and digital engagement, Noor maintains a strong social media presence. Currently, Noor is leading the launch of the Diplomatic Technological Empowerment Framework (DTEF), an initiative she coined and developed, aimed at equipping diplomats with essential knowledge and tools for engaging with advanced digital technologies in their work. This initiative is part of her Professional Doctorate research in Information Security at the University of East London, where she focuses on empowering diplomats in the areas of information security, digital diplomacy, and technological resilience, particularly in the Arab world and the Global South.



Nasser Al Hadhrami

Senior Security Analyst & Cyber Drill Presenter

OCERT

Nasser Al Hadhrami is a Senior Security Analyst & Cyber Drill Presenter at OCERT with more than twelve years of experience in the cybersecurity space. He has extensive expertise in organizing and leading high-impact

Capture the Flag (CTF) events and cyber drills, focusing on threat detection, incident response, and advanced network security. Nasser’s deep understanding of cyber threats, coupled with his skill in crafting realistic, engaging scenarios, enables him to effectively prepare organizations to face complex security challenges, enhance resilience, and improve their overall defense strategies.

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Dr. Almerindo Graziano

CEO

CYBER RANGES, QUANTICO CYBER RANGE (USA)

Almerindo Graziano has over 25 years of experience in information and cyber security, ranging from developing one of the first university master programmes in the UK in 2005 up to security consultancy and strategic advisory for private and government organizations across Europe, Africa, Middle East and Asia. He is the CEO of Silensec, a multinational information security technology and consulting firm and the Global Chairman of HLB Digital, a brand of HLB International where he leads the development of HLB cybersecurity and digital services globally. He is a cyber security expert for the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) where, since 2014, he has contributed to the delivery of Cyber Drills and workshops for national CERTs and governments around the world, including the 2020 and 2021 World Cyber Drill where he was the technical coordinator for the live fire simulation scenarios. He has lead threat emulation cyber exercises in the financial sector, at national and regional level worldwide, and consulted government on large-scale capacity building and cyber resilience programmes. He is the co-founder of CYBER RANGES, a next-generation cyber range platform and he is also the Chair of the European Cyber Security Organization (ECSO) Work Group 5 on EDUCATION, TRAINING, AWARENESS, CYBER RANGES.



Elmar Nabigaev

Director of PT ESC

Positive Technologies, Russia

Elmar is a veteran in the cybersecurity industry and founder of PT blue team (PT ESC) leading them for the past 10 years. With his world class team he investigated the most high-profile IR cases, uncovered many unknown APT groups and secured the world's most complex infrastructures. His passion is deep threat research and making bad guys' lives harder in general. He shares his passion with the community through public speaking at events like PHDays, ITU CyberDrills, Hack.lu, e-forensics Russia and contributing to numerous OSS projects like volatility framework and cuckoo sandbox.



Dr. Nadher Alsafvani

MENA Cyber Dialogue Advisor

Hails with over two decades of extensive experience in the realm of cybersecurity, Dr. Nadher emerges as a distinguished expert in the field. Presently lending his expertise to the Humanitarian Dialogue Center (HD) in Geneva, he holds the crucial role of MENA Cyber Dialogue Advisor, specializing in cyber diplomacy and mediations across the Middle East and North Africa region. Dr. Nadher's journey encompasses diverse roles, including his tenure as a cybersecurity consultant at the ITU Arab Regional Cybersecurity Center in Oman (ITU-ARCC) and Manager Security Assurance in IMPACT (Malaysia). During his tenure, he contributed significantly to critical

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global initiatives under ITU and MTCIT in Oman. During his impactful time at ITU-ARCC, he led multifaceted projects and services on a global scale. These ventures spanned the establishment and evaluation of Computer Incident Response Teams (CIRT), cyber diplomacy efforts, and the enhancement of cybersecurity postures. Dr. Nadher's responsibilities encompassed the strategic oversight of security assurance products and services tailored to strengthen information security readiness for both public sector entities and industries. Dr. Nadher's contributions have left an indelible mark on the cybersecurity landscape, as he continues to leverage his extensive experience and insights to foster international cooperation and resilience in the face of evolving digital threats.



Marwan Ben Rached

Cybersecurity Coordinator , BDT

ITU

Mr. Marwan Ben Rached is a Cybersecurity Coordinator at ITU and has more than 14 years of experience in cybersecurity. Marwan has provided information security consulting services and has managed cybersecurity projects for the governments and the private sector. He has also been involved in regional cybersecurity assistance by helping different developing countries to enhance their cybersecurity capabilities. Marwan received Master's and Engineer degrees in Computer Science from the University of Sousse, and he also holds various cybersecurity certifications.



Maitham Al Lawati

CEO

PowerDMARC

Maitham Al-Lawati, CEO of leading email authentication SaaS provider PowerDMARC, is a highly accomplished business leader and technical expert with 15+ years of experience in cybersecurity. He has a proven track record of success in driving organizational growth and revenue, and has held senior leadership positions at a number of globally acclaimed organizations including E&Y. Maitham holds a Global MBA from the University of Manchester and various professional certifications including CISSP, CISM, CRISC, ISC2 CCSP. He is a seasoned international speaker with a history of turning around organizational success. He is also an official member at Forbes Technology Council. Maitham has managed and spearheaded successful implementations for more than 1000+ DMARC projects.

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Khaled Kamel
Business Unit Director
emt Distribution

Currently serving as a Business Unit Director at emt Distribution, Khaled Kamel led Multi-National Organizations including HP, Lenovo, and Samsung in the MEA region. With extensive hands-on experience with Government, Telecommunication, Large Enterprise, Retail, and Education, Khaled enjoys excellent relationships in and deep knowledge of the UAE, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Qatar, Kuwait, Oman, and Bahrain markets. Khaled has passion for Service, Cyber Security, Cloud, SAAS, ERP, eCommerce, eLearning, AI, and Quantum Computing. He is an Enterprise and Channel sales expert and consultant. He is also passionate about creating impactful initiatives, such as cybersecurity workshops aimed at enhancing awareness and capacity-building in the cybersecurity domain. In addition to expertise in sales and marketing, Khaled is pivotal in developing strategic business plans, engaging system integrators, and expanding the regional presence of technology portfolios. Talk with Khaled about Cyber Security, especially ITAM, XDR, SIEM, SOAR, Threat Intel, Data Analytics, Dark Web, Digital Transformation, and Business Applications.

Khaled is the author of:

- Happiness Within Reach
- How To Earn Money With Non-Fungible Tokens
- Metaverse NFT, 5 Proven NFT Applications For The Metaverse



Ayed Al Qartah
FIRST Expert

He is a seasoned SecOps Solutions Architect at Trellix (formerly FireEye and McAfee Enterprise), bringing over 17 years of international experience in cybersecurity across EMEA and Canada. Specializing in security architecture, SecOps, incident response, and threat intelligence. Driven by a deep passion for threats research and hunting (i.e., Ransomware and APT), Ayed strives to advance cyber operations and protect organizations from sophisticated attacks. His recent accomplishments include supporting a European country's National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) during the NATO Locked Shields Cyber Exercise (2024). He also created and organized multiple internal and external Trellix "SecOps Capture The Flags" competitions, a challenging and gamified event based on real-life adversarial tactics. Prior to joining Trellix, Ayed held senior technical positions at Cisco Systems and FireEye. He holds a Master's degree in Cybersecurity with a focus on Cyber Intelligence from Utica University, New York.

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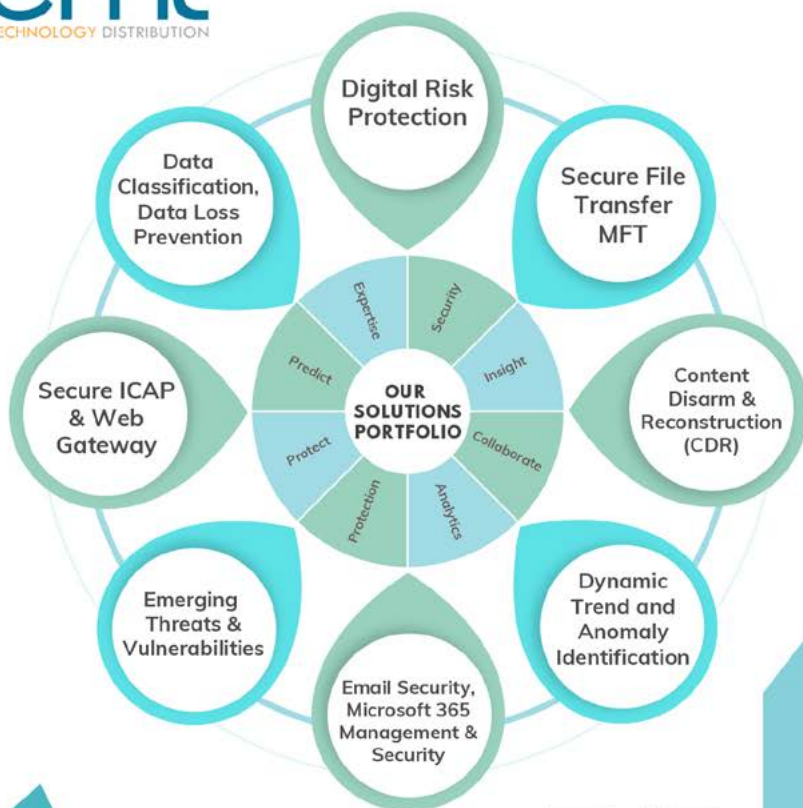


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developed by our company. Positive Technologies is the first and only cybersecurity company in Russia publicly available on the Moscow Exchange (MOEX: POSI), with 205,000 shareholders and counting.

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Ankaa Space and Technologies LLC

Ankaa is a leading company specializing in robotics and technology, dedicated to revolutionizing space technology, smart cities, and advanced AI applications. The organization focuses on delivering innovative solutions for military, commercial, and civil sectors. Ankaa's mission is to drive Oman's progress in AI and

robotics, fostering collaboration and ethical advancements. The company offers a range of services, including space services aimed at enhancing infrastructure for the space sector, drone services for efficient inspections of critical structures, and aviation solutions that integrate AI and robotics to improve flight capabilities. Additionally, Ankaa provides robotic services for underwater exploration and data collection, smart city solutions that leverage technology for safety and efficiency, and creative animation drone shows tailored for unique events. With a commitment to excellence, Ankaa envisions a future where technology enhances the human experience.



CYBER SECURITY LOCAL START UP

BugBounty Oman

Bugbounty Oman Leading platform:

Bug Bounty LLC, founded in 2022, operates a top cybersecurity platform. We specialize in bug bounty programs, offering secure services for researchers and connecting them with client needs. Our approach includes comprehensive threat evaluation through Vulnerability

Disclosure Programs and multi-ethical hacker VAPT. With a rapid response cyber defense service, we aim to minimize the impact of cyber-attacks, fostering collaboration between researchers and organizations to build a skilled cybersecurity professional community

Vision:

To be the ethical hacker's home, and the region's trusted cyber shield creating a culture of innovation and digital safety.

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Mission:

To be the cybersecurity family for ethical hackers and the trusted shield for all.

Our cybersecurity services:

- Public Bugbounty: Platform connects institutions with accredited security researchers, providing comprehensive service for identifying cyber security.
- Private Bugbounty: Private bugbounty is a customized platform for organizations, featuring an ethical hacker register, enabling secure engagement with skilled hackers.
- Defensive and Offensive Services.
- Advisory Services
- 1. CyberSecurity Awareness
- 2. Crises Consultation
- Emergency Services
- 1. Incident Response



CYBER SECURITY LOCAL START UP

Eknan Technologies

Eknan Technology Company is the first certified firm in the Sultanate of Oman specializing in innovative and advanced cybersecurity solutions, particularly in encryption. The company's main product is research and development and has created the first Omani encryption engine at the hardware level and

adheres to international standards (ISO270001, NIST, FIPs). This product addresses existing vulnerabilities in the market while introducing features that enhance efficiency and reduce costs. In a niche sector, Eknan stands among only 10 global manufacturers of encryption technology based on semiconductors. Following three years of intensive research and development, the company was established in July 2023, initially targeting the local market before expanding globally. A significant challenge was securing the necessary permits for encryption implementation in networks, a sensitive area in terms of security and economics. Through the dedication of its team, Eknan successfully obtained the first encryption permit in Oman, a milestone recognized and approved by His Excellency the Minister of Transport, Communications, and Information Technology. This achievement has led to increased demand from governmental and private sectors. Currently, Eknan is conducting pilot projects with various security, military, and private sector entities. With over 40 years of cumulative experience in encryption, Eknan's products are vital for national security and present substantial opportunities for economic growth, job creation, and investment in Oman. The company has also garnered local recognition, including incubation from Omatel Innovation Lab, accolades at cybersecurity exhibitions, and awards at the COMEX exhibition for its innovative potential.

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REGIONAL CYBER DRILL PARTNER CompTIA SudoCyber

CompTIA (The Computing Technology Industry Association) is the world's largest vendor-neutral certification body and a leading voice and advocate for the global information technology (IT) ecosystem. As a non-profit organisation headquartered in the United States, CompTIA has a history spanning more

than three decades and has established itself as a pivotal force in advancing IT professionals, businesses, and the industry. As a trusted authority in the IT industry, CompTIA is dedicated to empowering IT professionals and organisations to achieve their goals through excellence in education, certification, and advocacy. Operating worldwide with members in over 120 countries, CompTIA maintains a pulse on the IT industry, ensuring that its certifications are universally recognised and respected. Its extensive network includes thousands of academic and training partners, making CompTIA certifications accessible and relevant to IT professionals everywhere. Committed to raising the standards of technology and cyber professionals, CompTIA offers a comprehensive certification programme, including a robust cybersecurity certification pathway, ensuring that professionals have the skills and knowledge required to support and secure the technology ecosystems businesses use worldwide. The certifications are developed with rigorous attention to detail and a focus on the practical application of skills in the workplace.



REGIONAL CYBER DRILL PARTNER CYBER RANGES

CYBER RANGES is the state-of-the-art, next-gen, military-grade, attack-emulation-based Synthetic Training Environment reputed "to be at least 2 years ahead of all competitors". CYBER RANGES successfully powered the ITU GISEC 100x Global Cyberdrill, which won a Guinness World Record as the largest-scale

gamified cybersecurity exercise. In their "Emerging Tech Impact Radar: Cybersecurity" (Oct-2023) Gartner stated: "An advanced cyber range platform is the preferable solution for security leaders and Chief Information Security Officers given that they add greater overall value than low-end, 'light-weight' solutions. Light-weight cyber range solutions are similar to what can be delivered in a public cloud with just basic, stand-alone, exploitable template workloads BUT without scenario templates, attack emulation, reporting and monitoring as in an advanced cyber range." Based on proprietary cloud technology, the CYBER RANGES platform is available on premises (also in transportable, rugged command center configurations) and natively on public cloud. CYBER RANGES is a global Best-in-Class cyber range technology & service vendor (Datos Insights, 2024). With global offices in the UK, Cyprus, Kenya, Estonia and USA CYBER RANGES operates the Quantico Cyber Range in Virginia.

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REGIONAL CYBER DRILL PARTNER Forum of Incident Response and Security Teams (FIRST)

In November 1988, a computer security incident known as the “Internet worm” brought major portions of the Internet to its knees. Reaction to this incident was isolated and uncoordinated, resulting in much duplicated effort, and in conflicting solutions. Weeks later, the CERT* Coordination Center was formed. Soon after, the United States Department of Energy formed the Computer Incident Advisory Capability (CIAC) to serve its constituents. Over the next two years, the number of incident response teams continued to grow, each with its own purpose, funding, reporting requirements, and constituency. The interaction between these teams experienced difficulties due to differences in language, time zone, and international standards or conventions. In October 1989, a major incident called the “Wank worm” highlighted the need for better communication and coordination between teams. The FIRST was formed in 1990 in response to this problem. Since that time, it has continued to grow and evolve in response to the changing needs of the incident response and security teams and their constituencies. Today, the Forum of Incident Response and Security Teams (FIRST) consists of internet emergency response teams from more than 490 corporations, government bodies, universities and other institutions across 92 countries in the Americas, Asia, Europe, Africa, and Oceania. It promotes cooperation among computer security incident response teams. <https://www.first.org>



REGIONAL CYBER DRILL PARTNER Regional Cybersecurity Center

The Regional Cybersecurity Center (RCC) is established in December 2012 by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the Omani Government, represented by the Ministry of Transport, Communications and Information Technology (MTCIT) and with a vision of creating a safer and cooperative cybersecurity environment in the Arab Region and strengthening the role of ITU in building confidence and security in the use of information and communication technologies in the region. In line with the objectives of the ITU Global Cybersecurity Agenda (GCA), RCC acts as the ministry's cybersecurity hub in the region localizing and coordinating cybersecurity initiatives. RCC is hosted, managed and operated by Oman National CERT (OCERT). <https://www.arcc.om>

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Swiss Cyber Institute

The Swiss Cyber Institute, based in Zurich, is a registered cybersecurity education provider by the State Secretariat for Education, Research, and Innovation (SERI). Aiming to promote cyber resilience, the Institute offers comprehensive training programs, conferences, and networking opportunities to empower individuals and

organizations. Supported by its industry-leading cybersecurity network, the Institute also hosts the annual Global Cyber Conference bringing together international cybersecurity leaders, industry professionals, and academics in Zurich. The Swiss Cyber Institute is a sector member of the International Telecommunication Union and a member of digitalswitzerland. The Institute is a contributor to the Cyber For Good project of the UN and provides cybersecurity and AI training for less developed countries in Africa, Latin America, and the Asia-Pacific region. Its mission is to train 10,000 people by 2027.

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