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CYBER SECURITY PROFESSIONAL

CAN JOIN IMMEDIATELY

Cyber Security | Insider Threat | IT Risk Assessment | Security Investigations | Basic Forensics

Information security professional with a proven international track record in Insider Threats, IT security, Risk Assessments and Stakeholder management with attention to the bottom line. Rich mix of expertise allowing for effective integration and implementation of technology supporting the business drivers; providing efficient risk-reducing solutions for business problems and needs. Adept analyst with diverse industries including banking, pharmaceuticals, telecommunication and systems integration.

Core Competencies

- Strong Analytical Skills
- Stakeholder Management
- Business Risk Management
- Strategic Planning
- Innovation & 21 century skills
- Organizational Change

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founder - Huegah Life, Bangalore, India

Jul 2018 to Till Date

Play Practitioner / Emotional Intelligence Trainer

As a Founder Play based organization, involved in Entrepreneurial activities in the field of Play Therapy. Facilitation of programs for Life Skills, Emotional Intelligence and Leadership for Teenagers Through Play.

- Designed and imparted Leadership, Organizational Culture and Change Management through Corporate Consulting for NGO's.
- Built and integrated a 6 month training program for Teenagers using integrated therapy modalities for Life-Skills Through Play offered in Schools.
- Been instrumental in impacting as many as 500 plus families through various initiatives fostering Playful Parenting as the need of the hour for human well-being across cultures over the three years of work.
- Innovated and offered various Creative online sessions right from the 1week of lockdown during Covid-19 crisis impacting over 1,200 families across globe under 'GetQuarantive' banner.

BANK OF AMERICA MERRILL LYNCH, SINGAPORE

Sep 2016 to Apr 2018

Cyber Security Engineer, Vice President (Insider Threats)

As Investigator, part of Human Threat Prevention team responsible to manage Insider Threat incidents investigation.

- As First Responder to security alerts, involved but not limited to triage, risk assess, contain and investigate further on the impact of the Insider threat.
- Basic Forensics analysis to aid the investigation to obtain system logs and other crucial data.
- As an Investigator, it required quick decision making to assess the impact and suspend access to contain leakage.
- Complete analysis reporting along with engagement with various senior stakeholder like HR team to take necessary actions.
- Conducted hierarchy agnostic interviews included employee investigation related to the incident requiring High Levels of Soft Skills and negotiation strategies.
- Educating and training employees on Security policies and compliance to the actions taken.

STANDARD CHARTERED BANK, CHANGI, SINGAPORE

Feb 2016 to Sep 2016

IT Audit Manager (Internal Audit)

As Audit Manager, part of Global Internal Audit team responsible for audit of bank's Cyber Security infrastructure.

- Apply internal control concepts to assess the exposures resulting from ineffective or missing control practices.
- Effectively evaluate audit results, weighing the relevancy, accuracy, and perspective of conclusions against the accumulated audit evidence.
- Work with internal stakeholders to remediate the audit findings in a timely manner involving extensive collaboration efforts to ensure speedy closure of open issues.
- Work on audits arising from risk assessments, compliance and operational requirements

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK N.A. INC, CHANGI, SINGAPORE

Jul 2014 to Jan 2016

Global Cyber Security Specialist (Security Assurance)

Detect and Prevent malicious activities using defensive measures and information collected from a variety of tools to monitor, identify, analyze and report security events arising from internal threats.

- Monitor and investigate suspicious activity from internal threats to prevent potential security violations.
- Observe distributed platforms, mainframe accounts, High Security Access (HSA) systems for unusual and/or privileged activity.
- Assess security risk with their impact on business in timely manner preventing data exfiltration using various tools for Security Logging and Monitoring, Data Leakage Prevention and Threat Intelligence

ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND PLC, SINGAPORE

Oct 2011 to Jul 2014

Information Security Specialist (Contracted to Talent2)

As a Subject Matter Expert within Advisory Services, performed key role of principle point of contact for APAC focused projects and businesses. Provide different risk and security services for perimeter infrastructure (connecting internet and third-parties) driven by business requirements. Infrastructure audit, risk assessments of projects, review of changes and regulatory review of infrastructure.

- Securing Bank's Perimeter Network Infrastructure involving external touch points.
- Risk assessment of new IT projects and business service in operation undergoing changes affecting the secure perimeter.
- Reviewing business requirements for appropriate Audit / review requirements to meet the compliance requirement of Company's IT Security Policy and Regulatory requirement appropriately.
- Performing Infrastructure Audit of the secure perimeter and corporate initiatives in need of a secure service or enhancements, keeping the bank proactively protected from external electronic attacks.
- Conduct Audit of existing infrastructure using risk based approach to ensure the technology risks are addressed in accordance with company's Risk appetite and Risk tolerance.
- Communicating the risks/ audit findings with Business and senior management to ensure that all non-compliances are remediated appropriately with complete risk life-cycle.
- Perform internal audit of procedural and technical controls based on bank's policy and regulatory requirements.

DATA CRAFT PTE LTD, Singapore

Feb 2009 to Feb 2011

Technical Consultant

As a security specialist for well-known Pharmaceutical client

- Managed their security infrastructure and partner connectivity
- Supported Business as Usual Changes with Cisco & Checkpoint Firewall Architecture
- Critical incident handling, perform RCA & provide recommendations to avoid future issues.

HEWLETT PACKARD SDN. BHD, Malaysia

April 2008 to Feb 2009

Technical Consultant (Contracted to Emerio Corp)

Team member of GNOC providing Level 3 Support.

- Supporting Business as Usual Changes with Cisco & Checkpoint Firewall Architecture
- Managing Clients Security infrastructure (LAN, WAN & Firewall)

WIPRO TECHNOLOGIES Ltd, Bangalore, India

Dec 2006 to Mar 2008

Project Engineer

As team member of Managed Security Services, provided 3rd level support for Data Centre Hosted Customer solutions for client - Cable & Wireless. Change management, level 3 incident support, RCA for major outages.

VINCITI NETWORKS PVT LTD, Bangalore, India

Apr 2005 to Oct 2006

Network Perimeter Products Specialist

As a team member of Firewall support engineer, provided TAC support to SONICWALL Enterprise suite of firewall and network security solutions.

TRANSWORKS IT SERVICES PVT LTD, Bangalore, India

Oct 2003 to Mar 2005

(MINACS, Aditya Birla Group),

Associate – Apple Technical Support

As a Tech Support Engineer at Apple's outsourced call center, handled technical calls for all Apple products Laptop and Desktop products.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Masters in Business Administration

MURDOCH UNIVERSITY, Perth, Australia

IT CERTIFICATIONS

CISA – Certified Information Systems Auditor

ISO 27001 Lead Auditor (for IT risks)

ISO 31000 Risk Management for business risks (Academically Trained)

Project Management (Academically Trained)

ITIL v3 - Foundation Certified