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SUMMARY

A certified Cyber Security Professional with a passion to make the world a safer place. Since 2003, helping global businesses juggling between ever-growing cyber threats, compliance, and security of their most valuable assets. Performed hundreds of consultative engagements for retail, banking, and government sectors globally, and during this journey obtained global exposure, experience, and various cyber security accreditation across all areas of cyber security.

CORE SKILLS

- Security Architecture and Policy
- Governance, Risk and Compliance
- Internal and External Audits
- Identity and Access Management
- Data Loss Prevention
- Incident Response
- Payment Area SME
- International Communication
- Critical Thinking
- Leadership
- Positive Attitude
- Teamwork
- Attention to Details
- High Work Ethic

WORK EXPERIENCE

[2023 – Present] **Cyber Security Advisor / Independent Contractor, Cipherlex**

- Cipherlex is my personal brand, under which I offer high quality, cost-effective cyber security services. With 20 years of global experience across diverse industries, I have gained extensive knowledge in various cyber security domains. I prioritise delivering detailed, professional work that meets your organisation's specific needs. By choosing Cipherlex, you can trust that you will receive exceptional cyber security solutions, that are tailored to your organisation, without compromising on quality or affordability.

[2015 – 2023] **Head of Compliance Services (Europe), NCC Group**

Previous roles held at NCC Group:

- **Executive Principal Consultant**
- **Principal Consultant**
- **Managing Consultant**

- Reporting to the Global Head of Compliance – point of contact (SME) for the compliance service line development and management in Europe, including the strategy, growth, and the service line's team members development.
- Delivering technical professional services to existing and new customers on various technologies which includes but not limited to scoping, design, implementation, testing and handover.
- Conducting formal assessments / audits and acting as a Duly Authorised Officer across the following standards – PCI DSS, PCI SSF, PCI 3DS, PCI P2PE and others.
- Evaluate security controls across variate of IT Security Frameworks (PCI DSS, ISO, NIST, CSA, ISF and many others) and present the results to customers, including the C-suite.
- Building and maintain the relationship with the key accounts to promote NCC Group's portfolio of services.
- Managing the team of highly technical consultants, including mentoring, training, appraisals, project reviews, QA and the customers' feedback.
- Contributing to the industry by writing articles, volunteering in organisations such as BCS, ISACA, $(ISC)^2$ or PCI SSC (participating in working groups).

[2010 – 2015] **Principal Security Consultant, Ambersail Audit Experts**

- Reporting to MD UK – security leader, conducting a full range of security assessments and consultancy services globally in over 50+ countries. This includes but not limited to security audits, risk assessments, security architecture (including cloud), incident response planning, acting Virtual CISO and many others.
- Maintaining technical proficiency, sharing knowledge throughout the company, developing tools, and methodology enhancements. Mentor other consultants and peers on technical security subjects, audit methodologies and others.
- Assisting other teams with a project lifecycle such as production of RFPs, pre-sales activities and many others.

[2008 – 2010] **Information Security Specialist, NMI Group**

- Reporting to CISO – designing, deploying and maintaining an enterprise class network across multiple physical sites (USA/UK) with 200+ nodes, includes but not limited to hardening OS, IAM systems, DLP systems, backup solutions, anti-malware solutions and many others.
- Setting up best practices and provide directions and guidance of how to utilize the technology and its capabilities. Drive the development of security specifications, standards, and processes to ensure adequate protection of corporate network.

[2007 – 2008] **Information Security Analyst, Symantec**

- Reporting to the SOC Team Manager – monitor and maintain a global infrastructure to the highest security standards.
- Developing and implement security polices, baselines and guidelines for the enterprise. Produce detail documentation of security policies and procedures within department to comply with all internal and external standards.

EDUCATION

[2005 – 2007] Master of Science (MSc) in Information Security, University of Plymouth, UK
Final Thesis: *'The pattern analysis of the IDS sensors across the campus network.'*

[2000 – 2005] Bachelor of Engineering (BEng) in Computer Science, University of KW, Poland
Final Thesis: *'Simple picture recognition using Artificial Intelligence.'*

CYBER SECURITY CERTIFICATIONS

- CISSP - Certified Information Systems Security Professional ISC2
- ISSAP - Information Systems Security Architecture Professional ISC2
- CCSP - Certified Cloud Security Professional ISC2
- CISA - Certified Information Systems Auditor (ISACA)
- CDPSE - Certified Data Privacy Solutions Engineer (ISACA)
- CEH - Certified Ethical Hacker (EC-Council)
- PCI QSA - Qualified Security Assessor (PCI DSS, SSF, P2PE, 3DS, TSP, PCIP)

INTERESTS

Mentoring • Scuba Diving (Advanced Level) • Adventure Motorcycling • Foreign Cultures • Digital Photography
Fitness and Wellbeing • Geopolitics • Biography Books • Jazz Music • Cycling • Stock Trading

PERSONAL INFORMATION

- UK and EU Passport Holder
- Languages (English – Proficient | Polish - Native)
- UK BPSS Security Check (SC Level)
- Driving Licence