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March Meeting Details

Date: March 21, 2013
Time: Registration 11:30 AM | Lunch 12:00 PM | Presentation 1:00—3:00 PM
Location: The American | 200 E 25th Street, Suite 400 | Kansas City, MO | 64108
CPE: 2 Credits. NOTE: The actual CPE hours granted are dependent upon duration of the speaker’s presentation and may differ from the advertised number of CPE hours.
Price: $35 members | $50 guests | $5 students
Menu: Romaine, Cucumber, Garlic Crouton, Buttermilk-Dill Dressing | Grilled Chicken, Quinoa, Root Vegetable, Mustard Greens | Butterscotch Pot De Crème, Oatmeal Crisp | Coffee & Iced Tea

Registration: www.isaca-kc.org by Monday, March 18th.

Presentation Overview:

Based on the results of IT audit benchmarking surveys, attendees of this session will learn about different characteristics of IT audit functions across industries. Survey results and hard data will be contrasted by speaker commentary on elements that result in the highest performing IT audit functions. Upon completion of this session, attendees will be able to:

- Describe the characteristics (e.g., size, makeup, positioning, etc.) of leading IT audit organizations.
- Understand different approaches for conducting IT risk assessments and executing IT audits
- Articulate several different types of IT audits that are currently generating high levels of value to companies across geographies

Speaker:

Gordon Braun is a Director at Protiviti, a leading provider of risk advisory and internal audit services. He has over 13 years experience in risk consulting and internal audit and currently has responsibility for Protiviti's Kansas City office. Previously, he has held leadership positions in Protiviti's Internal Audit and Information Technology Effectiveness and Controls practices. Gordon has helped hundreds of clients manage the business risks associated with the deployment and maintenance of technology. He is one of Protiviti’s firm-wide experts in application security and controls including Protiviti’s Assure product suite and SAP GRC Access Controls.

Gordon regularly presents chapters of both the IIA and ISACA and at universities in the Midwest. Gordon is currently a member of the Board of Advisors for Pittsburg State University’s Endorsed Internal Audit Program and is on the Board of Governors for the Kansas City IIA Chapter. He is a CIA, CISA, and CGEIT.

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Auditing Microsoft Windows Server and Active Directory Security

Tight travel budget? This training program is right here in Kansas City.

Dates and Times:
April 9, 2013 (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
April 10, 2013 (8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.)

Location:
Sprint Nextel World Headquarters - Overland Park, KS
(Additional parking and location information will be provided to registered attendees)

CPEs:
Up to 16 CPEs. NOTE: The actual CPE hours granted are dependent upon duration of the speaker’s presentation and may differ from the advertised number of CPE hours.

Price:
ISACA Members Early-Bird: $430 (through March 29th)
ISACA Members Regular: $480 (March 30th through April 5th)
Non-Members: $640 (through April 5th)

Registration:
Final date for registration is April 5th. Registration fees must be paid promptly following registration to secure your seat and course materials, if you are paying by check. Credit card payment must be made at time of registration. For more information or to register, visit http://www.isaca-kc.org/meetingReg.php.

Course Overview:
Microsoft is a major player in both the IT infrastructure and application development arenas. In this practical, information packed seminar, you will learn a structured approach to securing and auditing Microsoft servers and networking infrastructure, including Active Directory, from end-to-end and from top to bottom. You will cover all key Windows server control points, as well as common security risks, safeguards, and audit procedures. Forests, domains, directory services, Group Policy Object (GPO) control audit points and associated security and audit procedures within the Microsoft Active Directory architecture will be analyzed and demonstrated. Key changes affecting security and audit in different versions of Windows servers will be highlighted.

Learning Objectives:
- Identify the different versions and roles of Microsoft Windows servers and important differences in built-in security and auditability features
- Identify logical access control and other system configuration parameters that affect the security of each Windows server and associated domain objects
- Locate sources of industry security and audit best practice guidance from Microsoft and other reputable resources
- Learn the basics of Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) and its impact on Active Directory and Windows security policy deployment
- Gain familiarity with policy deployment and patch management
- Learn how to use built-in and low cost software tools to gather audit evidence and assess the level of security for Windows servers and Active Directory

Bonus: Attendees will receive a comprehensive Windows Server and Active Directory Audit Data Collection Guide.
Instructor Information:

Ken Cutler, CISA, CISSP, CISM, Security+, Senior Teaching Fellow – CPE Interactive (CPEi)

Ken is a Senior Teaching Fellow at CPEi (CPE Interactive), specializing in Technical Audits of IT Security and related IT controls. He is President and Principal Consultant of Ken Cutler & Associates (KCA) InfoSec Assurance, an independent consulting firm delivering a wide array of Information Security and IT audit professional consulting services. Mr. Cutler is also the Director – Professional Certification Programs for Security University.

Ken is an internationally recognized consultant and trainer in the Information Security and IT audit fields. He is both certified as and has conducted courses for: Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP), Certified Information Security Manager (CISM), Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA) and CompTIA Security+. In cooperation with Security University, he recently was featured in two full length training videos on CISSP and Security+.

Formerly he was Vice President - Information Security for MIS Training Institute (MISTI) where responsibilities included: Information Security curriculum and advanced IT Audit course development, and chairing major IS and Business Continuity Planning (BCP) conferences.

Starting in 1993, Ken directed the development and growth of MISTI's IS curriculum and has frequently demonstrated his diverse expertise by personally developing and delivering numerous seminars and hands-on workshops in IS management and concepts, IT auditing, network infrastructure security and audit, web application security and audit, wireless security, and vulnerability testing. Since 1995, Mr. Cutler has frequently delivered hands-on network auditing and vulnerability testing courses in the United States, Russia, United Kingdom, Nigeria, South Africa, Serbia, Mexico, United Arab Emirates, Oman, and Greece. Audiences for his MISTI hands-on government technical auditing and security programs included: NASA, NIST, NSA, GSA, USDA, USPS, FDIC, and SSA.

Mr. Cutler has over 30 years of experience in IS, IT auditing, quality assurance, BCP, and information services. He has been performing different forms of IT Auditing projects and services since 1979. His industry experience includes: insurance, banking, financial services, natural resources, manufacturing, government contracting, security and audit software product design and utilization, consulting and training.

Ken has been a long-time active participant in international government and industry security standards initiatives including the President’s Commission on Critical Infrastructure Protection, Generally Accepted System Security Principles (GSSP), Information Technology Security Evaluation Criteria (ITSEC), US Federal Criteria, and Department of Defense Information Assurance Certification Initiative.

Mr. Cutler is the primary author of the widely acclaimed Commercial International Security Requirements (CISR), which offers a commercial alternative to military security standards for system security design criteria. He is the co-author of the original NIST SP 800-41, “Guidelines on Firewalls and Firewall Policy”. Ken has also published works on the intricacies of Information Security, security architecture, disaster recovery planning, wireless security, vulnerability testing, firewalls, single sign-on, and Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS).
Welcome to the Kansas City Chapter of ISACA!

Robert Arnold  Steven Haenchen  Sean Power  Margery Sendze  Lichen Wang
Justin Bolton  David Leska  Brett Prenger  Robert Vaile  Marion Whipkey

Seeking Volunteers for Board Positions

Want to help set direction for the Chapter? Volunteering to serve on the Chapter Board is a great way to grow professionally and give back to the group. ISACA-KC is now looking for volunteers for the following responsibilities:

♦ Membership Director (email president@isca-kc.org)
♦ Programs Committee (email vp@isaca-kc.org)

Additionally, Chapter members will vote on nominees for the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer board positions at the Annual Meeting on May 9th. More information on the nominating process will be provided in the upcoming weeks.

Chapter Seeks Independent Auditor

The ISACA-KC board is looking for a volunteer to perform an independent audit of the Chapter’s financial records for 2012 and provide a final audit report. The selected individual will be provided with 10 CPEs for volunteering their time. Please email president@isaca-kc.org if interested in helping with this important project.
News from ISACA

New Advanced Persistent Threat Study Results

According to the results of a recently released study by ISACA, 93% of survey respondents think that Advanced Persistent Threats, or APTs, are a serious threat to their organizations. In fact, 1 in 5 respondents reported having experienced an APT attack. But what are APTs? What controls can be used to defend against these threats and are your controls adequate enough to protect your enterprise network?

You can find out more by downloading the full report at http://www.isaca.org/Knowledge-Center/Research/ResearchDeliverables/Pages/Advanced-Persistent-Threats-Awareness-Study-Results.aspx.

Happy Birthday, CISA!

This year marks the 35th anniversary for the Certified Information Systems Auditor certification. With the number of CISA-certified professionals now surpassing the 100,000 mark and having quadrupled over the past decade, this certification continues to be the certification that is both respected and requested by audit, IT and business leaders whose domains rely on IT risk and control professionals for assurance. As a result, CISAs continue to be in high demand.

According to Derek Duval, owner of Duval Search Associates, “Demand is steady, but there are changes taking place. The most interesting development I am seeing in the market is a resurgence of interest in CISAs for non-audit roles, such as IT risk management, IT compliance and IT controls analysts. Many of these roles are positioned within IT, as more IT leaders understand the value of having a CISA on their payroll to coordinate with multiple IT controls stakeholders (internal auditors, external auditors, regulators, etc.). CISAs are also prized as project managers during the implementation of IT control solutions.

The bottom line is that anyone who is committed to a career in the broader world of IT assurance—whether in an audit, compliance, governance or risk management capacity—should consider the CISA a must-have.

Let me put it like this…one of the first things I ask new candidates is “Do you have the CISA?” … If not, I ask, “When do you plan to get it?”

Did you know…

- Our chapter has over 439 active members representing a cross section of industry in Kansas City?
- Our members include 263 CISA, 61 CISM, 64 CRISC and 16 CGEIT certified professionals?

The opportunity to build relationships with other local audit and security professionals is one of the biggest benefits of joining ISACA. Even if you’re not currently an ISACA member, attend this month’s meeting and find out how you can be a part of this community!