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Cybersecurity Senior Consultant

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SUMMARY

Cybersecurity professional with over 8 years of experience specializing in operational technology and industrial control systems. Proven expertise in designing and implementing cybersecurity solutions within critical infrastructure sectors, including energy and manufacturing. Proficient in utilizing advanced tools such as Claroty, CrowdStrike, and Splunk to enhance security measures and ensure compliance with industry standards. Recognized for leading cross-functional teams to deliver innovative security architectures and conducting risk assessments to identify and mitigate vulnerabilities. Committed to continuous learning and staying updated on emerging threats to develop robust cybersecurity frameworks.

EXPERIENCE

Senior Cybersecurity Consultant

Tech Innovations Group 📅 January 2020 - Present 📍 Arlington Heights, IL

Designed and implemented security architectures for clients in the energy sector, enhancing the safety and reliability of their operational technology systems.

- Conducted comprehensive risk assessments and vulnerability management efforts, significantly reducing cyber risks across client environments.
- Developed and delivered training programs for client personnel, improving awareness and compliance with cybersecurity policies.
- Collaborated with IT and OT teams to create incident response plans tailored to industrial environments, integrating monitoring tools for effective threat detection.
- Coordinated with cross-functional teams to implement preventative measures and streamline processes for enhanced cybersecurity.

Cybersecurity Analyst

Cyber Defense Solutions 📅 June 2015 - December 2019 📍 Chicago, IL

Assisted in deployment of cybersecurity technologies, ensuring client systems remained compliant with regulations.

- Conducted security acceptance testing for new OT systems, ensuring adherence to regulatory compliance.
- Supported incident response activities, leveraging tools like Splunk for log aggregation and analytics.
- Collaborated with rapid response teams during security incidents, improving resolution times.
- Created detailed reports documenting testing outcomes and improvement recommendations for internal stakeholders.

LEADERSHIP & AWARDS

- Awarded 'Top Consultant of the Year' for excellence in cybersecurity solutions implementation.
- Recognized for outstanding service in elevating cybersecurity awareness among client organizations.

EDUCATION

Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science

University of Illinois at Chicago 🎓 GPA: 3.6 📅 2015 📍 Chicago, IL

Coursework: Programming, Cybersecurity, Network Architecture, Systems Analysis

CERTIFICATIONS

- Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) 📅 2019
- Certified Information Security Manager (CISM) 📅 2020

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Project Management Tools:** Trello, Asana, Microsoft Project
- **Monitoring Tools:** Splunk, CrowdStrike, Nagios
- **Networking Technology:** Cisco, Palo Alto, Cradlepoint
- **Vulnerability Scanning Tools:** Claroty, Rapid7, Nessus
- **Incident Management Systems:** ServiceNow, Jira, Remedy
- **Compliance Frameworks:** NIST, ISO 27001, COBIT
- **Remote Access Management:** BeyondTrust, VPN Solutions, RDP
- **Testing Methodologies:** Penetration Testing, Vulnerability Assessment, Risk Assessment
- **Industry Standards:** IEC 62443, NERC CIP, IIoT Security Standards
- **Documentation Tools:** Confluence, SharePoint, Google Docs

SKILLS

- OT/ICS Cybersecurity
- Risk Assessment
- Vulnerability Management
- Incident Response
- Clarity
- CrowdStrike
- Splunk
- NIST Standards
- Compliance Management
- Firewall Configuration
- Threat Detection
- Remote Access Security
- Network Segmentation
- Security Testing
- Industrial Control Systems
- Client Relationship Management

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member of the Information Systems Security Association (ISSA).
- Active participant in local cybersecurity meetups and workshops.

LANGUAGES

- English (Native)
- Spanish (Intermediate)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Work Status : Authorized to work in United States. No sponsorship required.

REFERENCES

AVAILABLE ON REQUEST