

Enterprise Security and Automated Compliance Platform

My project focuses on establishing a robust, secure, and highly observable enterprise environment. It emphasizes DevSecOps principles, rigorous policy enforcement via Active Directory, and advanced data visualization to maintain system integrity and compliance.

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1. DevSecOps and Vulnerability Integration

This section defines how the project incorporates modern enterprise security tools to proactively maintain compliance, drawing on concepts of **DevSecOps** and **Advanced Security**.

Task	Detail
DevSecOps Integration	Focus on integrating security practices throughout the operational lifecycle. This aligns with modern IT use cases like App Modernization and DevOps
Vulnerability Management	Utilize platforms such as GitHub Advanced Security to identify and implement measures to find and fix vulnerabilities within the deployed systems and scripts
Enterprise Security Features	Demonstration of proficiency with Enterprise-grade security features and security tools applicable to both on-premises and cloud resources
Core Systems	The core platform remains the Windows Server 2022 environment acting as the hub for policy and identity.



2. Rigorous Group Policy Enforcement

This section details the implementation of **Group Policy Objects (GPOs)** to lock down system configurations and enforce mandatory security settings across the domain, ensuring **consistency and control**.

Policy Implementation Steps

1. **GPO Creation and Linking:** Policies must be created in the **Group Policy Management Console (GPMC)** and linked to the **Domain** or specific **Organizational Units (OUs)**.

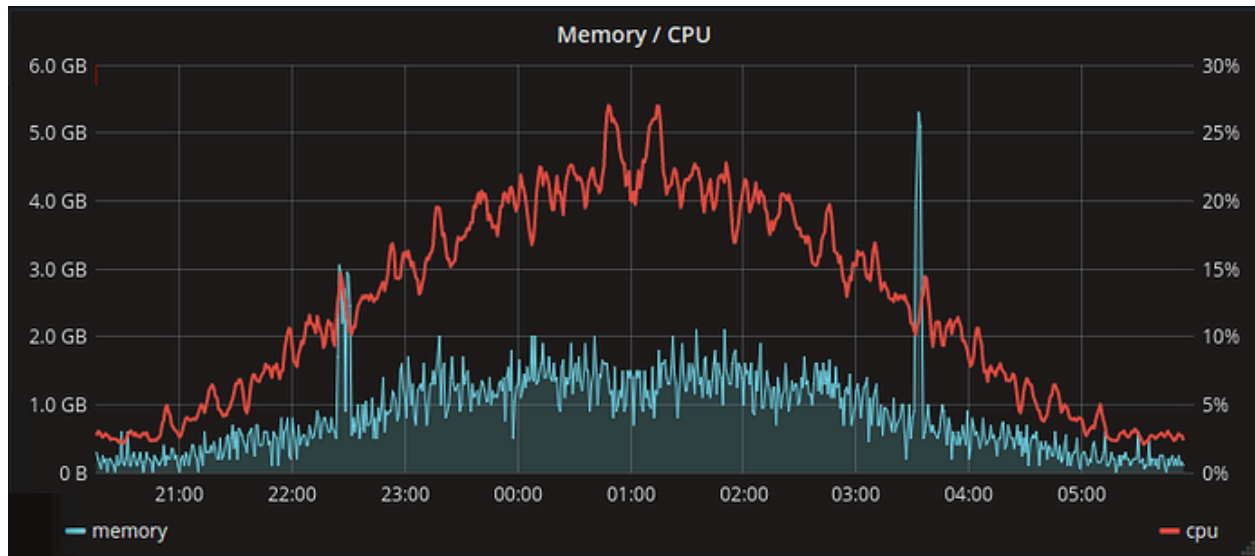
- 2. **Password Policy Enforcement:** A mandatory GPO applied at the Domain level under **Computer Configuration > Windows Settings > Security Settings > Account Policies > Password Policy**. The policy must specify a minimum password length of **8 characters**.
 - 3. **Client Restriction Policy:** Implement the policy to **Prohibit access to the Control Panel and Settings**, located under **User Configuration**. This prevents unauthorized system changes.
 - 4. **Removable Storage Security:** Implement a GPO to **Deny read and write access to removable storage devices** to mitigate **data loss and malware introduction**.
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3. Advanced Monitoring and Visualization Platform

This section details the dedicated setup of the Linux VM (**MON01**) for **Proactive Issue Detection** and **Performance Optimization**, critical for maintaining a secure and compliant platform.

Monitoring Infrastructure (MON01)

Step	Detail
OS Selection	Deployment of the Linux server (named MON01) using the Debian 12.5 distro with 3GB (3072MB) of RAM allocated
Zabbix Server Setup	Installation of the Zabbix Server, Frontend, and Agent . Configuration uses MariaDB (a MySQL fork) for the database and Apache as the web server
Agent Deployment	The Zabbix agent is manually installed on Windows hosts (like DC01 and SV02) or deployed via PDQ Deploy . The agent points to the Zabbix server's IP address
Grafana Integration	Grafana is installed using the apt package manager and integrated as a data source using the Zabbix API
Visualization Goal	Creation of visualization dashboards using the Time Series graph type to analyze metrics like CPU Utilization and Disk Write Rate for security and performance tracking.



4. Automated Security Response and Compliance

This section demonstrates the use of **PowerShell** for enforcing security and managing compliance consistently.

Task	Detail
Bulk User Management	PowerShell scripts are used to perform tasks that affect multiple users quickly, ensuring efficiency and consistency
Automated Security Action	Use the Disable-ADAccount command to rapidly suspend user access, such as disabling all users belonging to the 'IT' department. This is critical for security incidents or compliance breaches.
Configuration Consistency	Scripts ensure the same accurate result every time , reducing human error when managing large numbers of objects or settings in Active Directory
Centralized Software Control	PDQ Deploy (installed on SV02) is used to silently distribute software (e.g., 7zip using the /S parameter) to maintain a uniform and secure software baseline across client machines (JMFSOFT-PC01/02)

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5. Cloud Identity Security

This final section focuses on securing the cloud identity perimeter, leveraging **Microsoft 365** and **Azure Active Directory (Microsoft Entra ID)**.

Feature	Implementation Detail
Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)	MFA is enabled via the Azure portal by navigating to Users and selecting " MFA per user ". This significantly enhances security against phishing and theft
Azure AD Management	Creation and management of users/groups within Microsoft Entra ID via the Azure portal or through bulk creation using a .csv file .
Security Groups	Management involves creating Security Groups to control access to resources via roles and permissions, distinct from Distribution Lists
User Recovery	Demonstrated ability to handle standard IT support tasks, such as password reset in Azure AD, which automatically generates a temporary password

Microsoft 365 admin center

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