Francesco Citti Cybersecurity Engineer

Professional Experience

Associate Security Engineer, Phorest Saloon Software *⊘*

02/2024 - present Dublin, Ireland

- Secured AWS infrastructure by reviewing and hardening Terraform configurations, reducing misconfigurations and enforcing security best practices.
- Deployed Nessus for continuous security scanning of public endpoints and web applications.
- Conducted static code analysis and repository security reviews using Dependabot and SonarQube.
- Integrated security checks into CI/CD pipelines (GitHub Actions), automating detection of misconfigurations in IaC.
- Built integrations to fetch and analyze observability data from Honeycomb and OpenTelemetry for security insights.

Cybersecurity Analyst, NTT DATA ∂

07/2022 - 01/2024 Milan, Italy

- Conducted incident response activities providing accurate response action to mitigate intrusion damages.
- Monitored operations by conducting investigation trough a Security Information and Event Management (SIEM) in conjunction with dedicated Intrusion Detection and Prevention Systems (IDPS), Patch management deployment and Web Application Firewall (WAF) solutions.
- Investigated vulnerabilities through application of cybersecurity frameworks as **NIST CSF**, **Diamond Model**, **OWASP TOP10** and **MITRE ATT&CK**.
- Led audits by applying ISO 27001 principles, specific banking regulations (HIPAA, DORA, eIDAS2, GLBA) and other regulations and frameworks (e.g. PCI DSS, GDPR, NIS, NIS2) for major European bank.

Digital Advisor, Italian American Chamber of Commerce - Chicago ∂

07/2019 – 09/2020 Milan, Italy

- Boosted customer retention rate by 500% developing a tailored CRM instance for exporting companies.
- Optimized competitive offering by building website reserved area with dynamic personal statistics.

Skills and Technologies

- Python
 SIEM Development
- NIST CSF
 Jira
- GDPR ISO 27001
- AWS

Cloud Security

- Cyber Kill Chain
- ATT&CK framework
- Threat investigation
- Terraform

Certificates

• CompTIA Security+ ∅

Education

Master's in Cyber Risk Strategy & Governance,

09/2021 - 04/2024

Bocconi University & Polytechnic of Milan *⊘*

Milan, Italy

- Developed expertise in cybersecurity management, risk assessment, compliance, and governance, with a focus on NIST framework, GDPR and ISO 27001 standard, data protection law, and institutional scenarios of cyber risk.
- Final paper: "Optimizing Threat Intelligence: A Strategic Framework for an Enhanced Cybersecurity Posture"

Bachelor's in Management & Economics, Bocconi University *∂*

09/2018 - 09/2021

• Final paper: "Threats, investments and performances of Italian companies in cyber security during 2020".

Milan, Italy

Languages

EnglishProficient

ItalianNative