# TAHA KHAN

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# Summary

Proactive Cybersecurity Professional with one year of experience in cybersecurity operations. Ranked in the top 2% on TryHackMe, showcasing strong analytical thinking, threat hunting, and investigative capabilities. Proficient with core cybersecurity tools and technologies including SIEM, XDR, MDM, DLP, and PAM. Adept at assessing threats, monitoring alerts, conducting indepth investigations, and supporting incident response to strengthen organizational security posture.

### **Technical Skills**

SIEM Tools: WAZUH, IBM QRadar, Splunk, Elastic SIEM

MDM Tools: Microsoft Intune, Jump Cloud MDM, Hexnode MDM

EDR/XDR Tools: Trend Micro XDR, Sophos XDR, Microsoft Defender XDR

Other Advance Tools: Delinea PAM, Microsoft Purview DLP, Zscaler DLP, VPNs, IPS, IDS

Firewall: Cloudflare WAF, AWS WAF, pfsense

Virtualization: VMware Workstation, VMware Fusion and VMware ESXi

Operating System: Debian, Windows Server 2019, Centos 7, Ubuntu 22 Jammy Jellyfish, macOS

## Experience

# Ace Money Transfer

January 2025 - Present

Manchester, United Kingdom

Junior SOC Analyst

- Experience: Worked in a dynamic Security environment at a leading FinTech company.
- Threat Monitoring: Monitored alerts for more than 2500 hours using WAZUH, Splunk and IBM QRadar
- Incident Reporting: Created detailed incident reports and added over 7000 IPs in Monitoring Sheet.
- Tools Implementation: Tested and Implemented Microsoft Intune, Jumpcloud MDM, Hexnode MDM, Sophos XDR, Microsoft Defender XDR, Microsoft Purview DLP and Zscaler DLP.
- Security Policy Enforcement: Implemented security policies across SIEM, MDM, XDR, and DLP platforms.
- Documentation: Authored and maintained SOPs, Attack Reports, Team Plans, and Proposal drafts.
- Cross-Functional Security Integration: Collaborated with the Network Support (NSS) and external vendors.
- Internal Training: Completed sessions on Information Security Risk and Governance, Cyber Security, and Whistle Blowing.

#### **Nets International Communications**

August 2024 – December 2024

Cyber Security Intern

Islamabad, Pakistan

- XDR Implementation: Configured and tested policies in Trend Micro Vision One XDR.
- Client Delivery: Supported deployment of Trend Micro Vision One XDR.
- SIEM & Identity: Worked with IBM QRadar, Elastic SIEM and Active Directory to strengthen security.
- Cert Prep: Completed CompTIA Security+ training from Professor Messer.
- Technical Presentations: Delivered structured presentations on Active Directory and Trend Micro Vision One XDR.

### Certifications

Security Operations Center Associate (SC-200) — Link – Microsoft

Certified Ethical Hacker (CEH) — Link – EC-Council

Security Analyst Level 1 (SAL1) — Link – TryHackMe

ISO/IEC 27001:2022 Information Security Associate — Link – Skill Front

Certified in Cyber Security (CC) — Link – ISC2

Google Cybersecurity Professional Certificate — Link – Google

Security + — Link – CompTIA (exam in progress)

## **Trainings**

High Impact IT Training of AI Integrated Blockchain — Link – NUST PDC

Privileged Access Management (PAM) — Link – Cybrary

Introduction To Threat Intelligence Landscape 2.0 — Link – Fortinet

Pre Security Certificate — Link – TryHackMe

Blockchain Security Specialization — Link – Infosec

Cyber Security Fundamentals Associate — Link – OPSWAT

Cyber Security Fundamentals — Link – Nets International

Cyber Security Training Workshop — Link – Ignite

# **Projects**

- Implemented robust Mobile Device Management (MDM) policies using Hexnode.
- Deployed **Sophos XDR** and enforced advanced endpoint protection by configuring custom security policies.
- Tested and successfully implemented **Zscaler DLP** policies in a live environment.

Deployment of Intune & XDR | Microsoft Intune, Microsoft Defender XDR

February - March 2025

- Implemented and enforced robust security policies for users across multiple countries.
- Configured USB Blocking, BitLocker Key Management & Rotation etc for secure access control.
- Tracked alerts and performed remediation actions including **Quarentine** and **collected logs** remotely.
- Collaborated with **NSS** and external vendors, gaining hands-on experience in enterprise-level security implementations.

#### Security Monitoring and Analysis | IBM QRadar, Splunk

Feburary 2025

- Explored and practiced SIEM concepts using IBM QRadar and Splunk through official learning platforms and labs.
- Monitored security alerts and offenses in QRadar.
- Analyzed Splunk dashboards and search queries to gain insights into log parsing, indexing and detection logic.
- Studied the underlying infrastructure, architecture, and integration workflows.
- Developed a foundational understanding of alert triaging, correlation rules, and detection engineering principles.

Security Documentation & Research | Cloudflare, WAZUH, Purview, SOC Fortress Copilot

January 2025

- Developed **comprehensive security reports** and documentation to streamline SOC operations.
- Created Attack Reports and configurations for Microsoft Defender, Intune, Cloudflare, and WAZUH.
- Conducted in-depth research on Microsoft Purview, SOC Fortress, and SOAR to enhance security workflows.

Trend Micro Vision One XDR Deployment | Trend Micro Vision One XDR

November - December 2024

- Supported the deployment of Trend Micro Vision One XDR.
- Assisted in policy configuration and endpoint protection setup.
- Created and tested policies for **Server** to ensure comprehensive security coverage.
- Attended technical sessions on advanced threat detection and response strategies.

#### SIEM Implementation and Monitoring | Elastic SIEM, IBM QRadar

October 2024

- Designed and implemented a custom SIEM setup using **Elastic SIEM**.
- Monitored and analyzed log data in Elastic SIEM for real time threat detection and incident response.
- Configured and maintained IBM QRadar to monitor offenses and security events across multiple data sources.

## Active Directory Policies Implementation | Enhancing Security and User Management

September 2024

- Implemented comprehensive Active Directory policies to enhance organizational security.
- Created and managed Organizational Units (OUs) and Groups to streamline user management and access control.
- Developed and tested User Password Change Policies and Password Strength Requirements to enforce robust security standards.
- Conducted thorough testing and validation of policies to ensure compliance with organizational security protocols.

#### Education