

File 20100628.0806: I believe that certification and accreditation is important. I also believe that at present it doesn't work very well. Part of the problem is that large organisations, for example the U.S. State Department, have huge numbers of systems, all of which are accredited on the basis of ST&E reports written by people who never talk to one another, based on all sorts of different standards and models, that come into a central organisation that doesn't do anything with them other than collecting and counting them.

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