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View My website- [CyberJali - GRC + AI Security Coaching for African Startups | Free ISO 27001 Lite Audit Kenya](#)

Professional Summary

Cybersecurity professional specializing in Governance, Risk, and Compliance with 10+ years of customer-facing leadership and 3+ years in tech and cybersecurity. Completing ISO 27001 Lead Auditor certification in 2025, with hands-on experience in policy design, awareness training, and compliance reporting. Founder of CyberJali, a platform teaching African Fintech startups about governance, risk, and compliance, reaching 5,000+ socially active learners. Passionate about strengthening digital trust and exploring AI governance to align security with emerging technologies.

Skills

- Governance, Risk & Compliance | ISO 27001 | Policy Development
- Security Awareness Training | Audit & Remediation | Risk Assessment
- Data Privacy & Protection -GDPR, PCI-DSS
- Cloud & Systems Security Fundamentals | AI Governance & Responsible AI
- Stakeholder Management | Cross-functional Collaboration

Projects & Achievements

- Designed lightweight compliance tools -AI Use Policy Template & Risk Register to be used by early-stage fintech founders to strengthen GRC readiness at Cyberjali
- Authored a weekly newsletter on LinkedIn simplifying GRC concepts, reaching 1,000+ readers and improving security awareness for Fintech startups.
- Automated reporting dashboards, reducing inefficiencies by 20% and improving audit readiness.
- Supported delivery of cybersecurity workshops for 700+ women at She Code Africa, expanding Cybersecurity programs and best practices

Professional Experience

Founder & Cybersecurity Educator | Dec 2023 – Present

- Built an online platform to teach African startups about cybersecurity and compliance.
- Grew community from 0 to 5,000+ active learners across social media in two years.
- Maintained 85% engagement by responding to feedback and creating relevant learning resources.
- Supported founders in adopting compliance practices, improving digital safety and trust.

Innovation Village Africa | Tech Operations Analyst Sep 2023 – Dec 2023

- Improved audit readiness by building structured dashboards for compliance reporting.
- Automated internal processes, reducing inefficiencies by 20% and aligning teams with governance controls.
- Coordinated with multiple business units to implement secure, compliant workflows.

She Code Africa | Cybersecurity Mentor (Volunteer) Dec 2023 – Present.

- Mentored and trained 700+ women in cybersecurity awareness across Africa.
- Designed workshops on safe practices, GRC awareness, and compliance basics for early-career professionals.
- Grew the Slack cybersecurity community from 50 to 700+ members.

WebWeavers Online | Co-Founder & Head of Marketing May 2023 – May 2025

- Led digital strategy and community engagement, achieving 15% growth in online presence.
- Supported startups with secure digital presence management, including compliance-aware processes.
- Collaborated on technology projects, ensuring business goals aligned with operational governance.

Eat N Go Africa | Branch Head & Manager Sep 2014 – Dec 2021

- Managed 10+ staff while maintaining 95% compliance with operational policies and regulatory standards.
- Introduced reporting and performance tracking systems, increasing compliance adoption by 25%.
- Oversaw branch operations, ensuring adherence to financial, operational, and customer service standards.

Education & Certifications

- Diploma in Information Technology – JKUAT University, Kenya - 2014
- Software Engineering Program – ALX Africa - 2023
- Cybersecurity Job Simulation – Mastercard - 2023
- Microsoft Certified: Digital Marketing Associate 2024
- ALX AICE - AI Career Essential Certification - 2024
- Women Elevate AI & Machine Learning Program – Ongoing. Preparing for AI-900 exam
- Master Mind Lead Auditor Certification - Sept 2025
- AI Software Development Practices – ALX - Ongoing

Professional Affiliations

- Member, She Code Africa – Cybersecurity Slack Channel Mentor
- Participant, Women Elevate AI & ML Program - In preparation for AI-900 Certification
- Perplexity AI Fellowship Member