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KEBS moves to address information security and consumer privacy with new standards

Nairobi, **24**th **May 2021**... The Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) has approved forty (40) new standards to enhance information and cyber security and safeguard consumer privacy.

The new standards outline various techniques and methods for securing corporate information by an individual or managers charged with the responsibility of ensuring institutional data is safe.

"Consumers are increasingly adopting digital technology, the data generated creates both an opportunity for enterprises to improve customer engagement and a responsibility to keep it safe. The new guidelines provide a robust system to fight against cyber security threats, breach of privacy and other information security measures to ensure that Confidentiality, Integrity and Authenticity (CIA) of information is maintained during the creation, usage, storage and transfer of information," says Lt Col (Rtd.) Bernard Njiraini, Managing Director, KEBS.

The standards also stipulate a framework for ensuring privacy in information and communication technology (ICT) systems that store and process personally identifiable information (PII).

The World Economic Forum Report 2017 places technology threats in the top 5 societal and economic risks by likelihood and scale of impact, next to weapons of mass destruction. The public sector continues to dominate as the primary target of cyberattacks followed by the financial services. Globally, 40% of SMEs that experience data breach due to cyber security attacks are likely to close within a year.

The new standards will be used by auditors, managers and management teams, trainers and assessors in the ICT

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Notes to the Editor

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SUMMARY OF APPROVED STANDARDS

- 1. KS ISO/IEC 27007:2020 Information security, cybersecurity and privacy protection Guidelines for information security management systems auditing
- 2. KS ISO/IEC TS 27008:2019 Information technology Security techniques Guidelines for the assessment of information security controls
- 3. KS ISO/IEC 27009:2020 Information security, cybersecurity and privacy protection Sector-specific application of ISO/IEC 27001 Requirements
- 4. KS ISO/IEC 27050-1:2019 Information technology Electronic discovery Part 1: Overview and concepts
- 5. KS ISO/IEC 27050-3:2020 Information technology Electronic discovery Part 3: Code of practice for electronic discovery

- 6. KS ISO/IEC 27018:2019 Information technology Security techniques Code of practice for protection of personally identifiable information (PII) in public clouds acting as PII processors
- KS ISO/IEC 14888-3:2018 Information technology -- Security techniques -- Digital signatures with appendix Part 3: Discrete logarithm-based mechanisms
- 8. KS ISO/IEC 24760-1:2019 IT Security and Privacy A framework for identity management Part 1: Terminology and concepts
- 9. KS ISO/IEC 30111:2019 Information technology Security techniques Vulnerability handling processes
- 10. KS ISO/IEC 9798-2:2019 IT Security techniques Entity authentication Part 2: Mechanisms using authenticated encryption
- 11. KS ISO/IEC 19772:2020 Information security Authenticated encryption
- 12. KS ISO/IEC 18032:2020 Information security Prime number generation
- 13. KS ISO/IEC 13888-1:2020 Information security Non-repudiation Part 1: General
- 14. KS ISO/IEC 13888-3:2020 Information security Non-repudiation Part 3: Mechanisms using asymmetric techniques
- 15. KS ISO/IEC 11770-5:2020 Information security Key management Part 5: Group key management
- 16. KS ISO/IEC 29192-2:2019 Information security Lightweight cryptography Part 2: Block ciphers
- 17. KS ISO/IEC 18013-2:2020 Personal identification ISO-compliant driving licence Part 2: Machine-readable technologies
- 18. KS ISO/IEC 29184:2020 Information technology Online privacy notices and consent
- 19. KS ISO/IEC 22624:2020 Information technology -- Security techniques -- Privacy architecture framework
- 20. KS ISO/IEC 23188:2020 Information technology Cloud computing Edge computing landscape
- 21. KS ISO/IEC 23613:2020 Information technology Cloud computing Cloud service metering elements and billing modes
- 22. KS ISO/IEC 23951:2020 Information technology Cloud computing Guidance for using the cloud SLA metric model
- 23. KS ISO/IEC 19086-4:2019 Cloud computing -- Service level agreement (SLA) framework -- Part 4: Components of security and of protection of PII
- 24. KS ISO/IEC TS 19608:2018 Guidance for developing security and privacy functional requirements based on ISO/IEC 15408
- KS ISO/IEC 19896-2:2018 Information technology -- security techniques -- Competence requirements for information security testers and evaluators -- Part 2: Knowledge, skills and effectiveness requirements for ISO/IEC 19790 testers
- KS ISO/IEC 19896-3:2018 Information technology -- security techniques -- Competence requirements for information security testers and evaluators -- Part 3: Knowledge, skills and effectiveness requirements for ISO/IEC 15408 evaluators (First Edition)
- 27. KS ISO/IEC TS 20540:2018 Information technology -- Security techniques -- Testing cryptographic modules in their operational New environment
- 28. KS ISO/IEC 20889:2018 Privacy enhancing data de-identification terminology and classification of techniques
- 29. KS ISO/IEC 21878:2018 Information technology -- Security techniques -- Security guidelines for design and implementation of virtualized servers
- 30. KS ISO/IEC 27034-3:2018 Information technology -- Application security -- Part 3: Application security management process
- 31. KS ISO/IEC 27034-7:2018 Information technology -- Application security -- Part 7: Assurance prediction framework
- 32. KS ISO/IEC TS 27034-5-1:2018 Information technology -- Application security -- Part 5-1: Protocols and application security controls data structure, XML schemas
- 33. KS ISO/IEC 27050-2:2018 Information technology -- Electronic discovery -- Part 2: Guidance for governance and management of electronic discovery
- 34. KS ISO/IEC 29101:2018 Information technology -- Security techniques -- Privacy architecture framework
- 35. KS ISO/IEC 19086-2:2018 Cloud computing -- Service level agreement (SLA) framework -- Part 2: Metric model

- 36. KS ISO/IEC TR 22678:2019 Cloud computing -- Guidance for policy development
- 37. KS ISO/IEC TR 23186:2018 Cloud computing -- Framework of trust for processing of multi-sourced data
- 38. KS ISO/IEC 20924:2018 Internet of Things Vocabulary
- 39. KS ISO/IEC 30140-3:2018 Underwater acoustic sensor network (UWASN) -- Part 3: Entities, interface and Interoperability
- 40. KS ISO/IEC 30140-1:2018 Information technology -- Underwater acoustic sensor network (UWASN)

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