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Welcome to the Storage Security eNewsFlash

Welcome to this issue of the eNewsFlash, the Storage Security Industry Forum electronic news bulletin. Here we cover hot storage security topics, locate the latest education, and tell you what is happening in storage security technology and standards activities.

In this issue, we highlight:

- New Year's Resolution - Attain Storage Security Competency!
- Ask Those Storage Security Questions at StorTOC.org
- Get involved with the SSIF in San Jose
- The Right Mix of Storage Security Learning and Hands-On at Storage Networking World

We encourage you as a security company, storage company, or IT professional to join the SSIF to participate with us in these activities. Visit us at www.snia.org/ssif to learn about membership opportunities including the new SSIF Forum Affiliate Member Program for security companies.

We welcome your feedback on SSIF eNewsFlash and our SSIF member contributors. Reach them through our editor at ssif-info@snia.org. And don't forget to pass your copy of the SSIF eNewsFlash on to a colleague, and have them sign up to receive it automatically at www.snia.org/ssif.

New Year's Resolution - Attain Storage Security Competency!

With security breaches taking their toll within many companies in 2008, consider adding "Attain Storage Security Competency" to the top of your 2009 Resolutions List.
Storage security requires a cross-section of knowledge in information security, storage, and networking, according to the new **"Storage Security Professionals Guide"** published by the Storage Security Industry Forum. This month, we'll take a closer look at what information security knowledge is required.

Within information security, there are multiple options for vendor neutral certifications. The International Information Systems Security Certification Consortium (ISC)2 certification program is well aligned for what most storage security professionals will need, but it should not be considered the only option. Within the (ISC)2, the body of knowledge for the Systems Security Certified Practitioner (SSCP) and the Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) certification are particularly relevant. The Guide states that the SSCP should

be considered the minimum competency level, and the CSSSP is closer to the ideal.

According to the (ISC)2, the SSCP is ideal for those working toward positions such as Network Security Engineers, Security Systems Analysts, or Security Administrators, and for those in many other non-security disciplines that require an understanding of security but do not have information security as a primary part of their job description. The CISSP credential should be your next career goal if you plan to build a career in information security, and if you have at least five full years of experience in information security.

The (ISC)2 breaks the security common body of knowledge into domains . For the SSCP, competency and experience in seven of these domains is required:

Access Controls
Analysis and Monitoring
Cryptography
Malicious Code
Networks and Telecommunications
Risk, Response and Recovery
Security Operations and Administration

The CISSP requires competency in the full ten domains, as follows:

Access Control
Application Security
Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery Planning
Cryptography
Information Security and Risk Management
Legal, Regulations, Compliance and Investigations
Operations Security
Physical (Environmental) Security
Security Architecture and Design
Telecommunications and Network Security

The ISC recommends the following process to receive your (ISC)2 credential. First, possess the required years of experience. Second, study to review and refresh your knowledge. Third, complete the application to validate your education and/or experience. Fourth, sit and pass the appropriate exam. Fifth, commit to the code of ethics set forth by ISC, and finally, attest to your eligibility requirements.

For more information, download the Storage Security Professionals Guide at www.snia.org/ssif and visit the (ISC)2 website at www.isc2.org.

Ask Those Storage Security Questions at StorTOC.org

StorTOC is now live online and waiting for your contributions. If you are an end user storage or security professional, visit www.stortoc.org now to sign up for complimentary 30-day membership to experience collaborating with peers on issues such as encryption, the audit process, key management, data at rest, and more. StorTOC membership also gives you access to educational and training discounts, as

well as complimentary membership in the Storage Networking Industry Association.

Get involved with the SSIF in San Jose

The SSIF's next Face-to-Face meeting will be at the SNIA Symposium at the Hotel Sainte Claire in San Jose, CA on January 21.

We're looking for end user, reseller, and storage/security manufacturer input on our exciting slate of 2009 programs.

Are you involved in security audits? Do you have an initiative to implement data-at-rest solutions in your company?

We want to hear from you, and the perfect time to join us is in person or by phone at the SNIA Symposium this week in San Jose, CA. If you're in the area, or can dial in, won't you join us, roll up your sleeves, and share your ideas? For more information, contact Marty Foltyn, SSIF Program Director, ssif-info@snia.org or 404-492-6135, or online at www.snia.org

The Right Mix of Storage Security Learning and Hands-On at Storage Networking World

SNW Spring 2009, April 6-9, 2009 in Orlando Florida, will feature the largest number of security tutorials ever offered at an SNW. These tutorials, combined with Storage Security Hands-On Labs delivering vendor neutral experience in encryption, key management, and data at rest solutions, will give you the knowledge you need to meet storage security challenges in 2009. Visit www.snwusa.com for more information.