



Holistic Information Security Practitioner Institute

The HISP Institute:

The Holistic Information Security Practitioner (HISP) Institute (HISPI) is an independent certification organization consisting of information security practitioner volunteers, such as CISOs, Information Security Managers and Directors, Security Analysts, Security Engineers and Technology Risk Managers from major corporations and organizations.

- **HISPI** focuses on international standards, best practices, and comprehensive frameworks for developing robust and effective information security programs.
- The HISP certification complements existing recognized security certifications such as CISSP, CISA, CISM, CGEIT, CRISC and CCSK

The HISP Institute is also the oversight body of the Cloud Assurance Assessor Program (CAAP).

The CAAP provides assurance of the qualifications for those purporting to have the necessary skills as independent Cloud Assessors.



The Holistic Approach:

HISPI promotes a holistic approach to information security program management.

The issue of information security and regulatory compliance affects organizations of all sizes and sectors, with an identical problem, their inherent vulnerability and high cost of compliance. Unfortunately in most cases, the regulations and laws set forth offer little guidance of any specific security measures or standards, instead leaving the decision up to the organization. This causes confusion, misinterpretation and drives up costs.

Many organizations struggle and treat each of these compliance areas as a silo. By taking this approach, the opportunity for a security breach is enhanced.

An integrated approach can help form the basis for a secure information security program and design and deploy a comprehensive risk governance platform both for compliance and assurance.

The HISP process utilizes the **Implement Once Comply Many (IOCM)** philosophy based on a unique approach that stands alone in the security and compliance industry. IOCM is a structure for solving business and compliance problems. The structure includes a powerful methodology, analytical methods and tools, improvement techniques and trained, capable people.

Certified Practitioners leverage the HISP to provide a holistic integrated management system that will show improved efficiency, reduce waste and cost.

Holistic Approach



Why Consider HISP Certification:

The HISP certification is a unique body of knowledge which focuses on widely accepted frameworks for developing an Information Security program. These frameworks include:

- ISO/IEC 27001 and 27002;
- CobIT (ISACA's framework for IT Governance);
- COSO and
- ITIL

The HISP enhances other certifications such as the CISSP, CISM, CISA, CGIET, CRISC and those that are more focused on technical disciplines.

HISP bridges the gap between existing professional certification programs by proactively promoting the need to develop comprehensive and holistic information security programs amongst information security, audit and compliance professionals representing various sectors internationally and shows management level training has been completed.

The HISP promotes cost-effective training and certification to information security, audit and compliance professionals, particularly Public Sector and Higher Education.

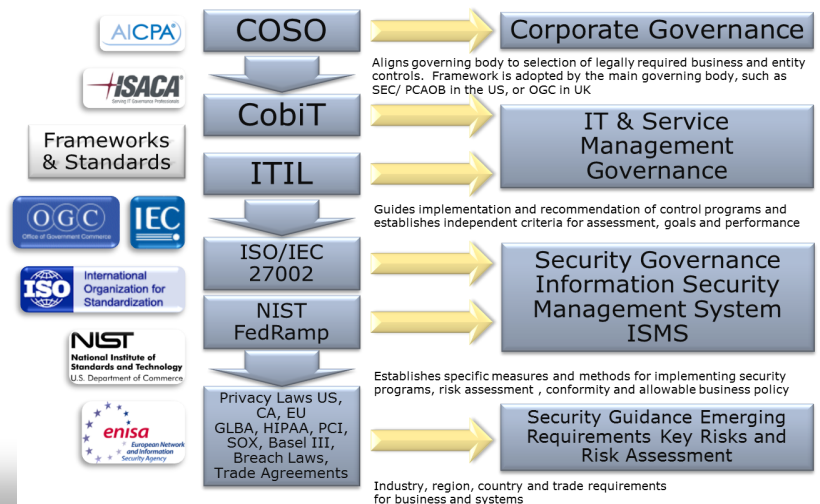
The HISP provides a vendor neutral forum that will facilitate the sharing of knowledge, ideas and other positive initiatives for enhancing the current state of information security.

It fosters collaborative efforts internationally, particularly government, law enforcement and commercial.

HISP certification fosters a positive code of ethics amongst information security, audit and compliance professionals.

Finally the HISP reduces the cost of meeting legal, regulatory and contractual requirements pertaining to information security, across various sectors.

HISP Framework Approach



Certification Tracks:

Training track

- Attend the 5-day HISP Certification Course - public, private onsite or web-based.
- Pass a certification exam, administered on the final day of a Course.

OR

Pre-requisite track

- Pass a certification exam hosted by HISPI
- Provide evidence to HISPI that you currently possess one or more of the following certifications: CISSP, CISA, CISM, CGEIT, or CRISC and that you are in good standing with their Certifying bodies:

For additional information regarding the HISP training and certification programs, including latest course outlines, public class calendar and examination schedules, please contact the HISPI.



Who Should Certify?

- Anyone tasked with the implementation and management of an ISO 27001/27002 Information Security Management System (ISMS).
- Anyone tasked with ensuring compliance with UK Data Protection Act, EU Directive on Privacy, Basel II, HIPAA Security, SOX Security, GLBA, California SB-1386, FACT Act, PCI Data Security, NIST 800-53 and other regulations.

- Information Security Consultants or Third Party Auditors.
- Auditors (External and Internal).
- Information Security Officers.
- Any security executive looking for continuous career progression and increased value by demonstrating an understanding of the full range of contemporary security issues facing their organization.

CPE Requirements:

Once HISP certification is achieved it must be maintained by obtaining CPEs as follows:

A total of 90 (30 per year) CPEs by the end of a three-year certification cycle and pay the Annual Membership Fee of US\$50 during each year of the three-year certification cycle before the annual anniversary date.

Group 1: Direct Domain-Related Activities Group 1 credits are given for completion of activities which relate directly to the information security profession and related frameworks (ISO 27000, ISO 20000, COBIT, ITIL, COSO, NIST & Security Regulations) 60 of the 90 credits must come from this group

Group 2: Professional Skills Activities Completion of activities which enhance one's overall professional skills, education, knowledge or competency. Including professional development programs, such as speaking engagements, management courses and conference sessions on related fields (e.g. forensics, anti money laundering). While these may not apply directly to the HISP field we must support a rounded education in the field of information security.

HISPI Membership:

Associate membership to the HISP Institute is open to anyone. Simply visit www.hispi.org and sign up.

Full membership fees are US\$50 (included in certification examination fees). Full membership provides complete access to all available reference material on the HISPI web site.

For more information about the HISP Institute or Certification, visit: www.hispi.org or call toll free 888-247-4858

HISP Certification Comparison Matrix				
Domains	CISSP	CISM	CISA	HISP
Access Control Systems and Methodology	✓		✓	✓
Application and System Development Security	✓			✓
Business Continuity Planning (BCP) and Disaster Recovery Planning (DRP)	✓		✓	✓
Cryptography	✓			Partial
Information Security Audit Process			✓	Partial
Information Security Program Management		✓		✓
Information Security Governance		✓	✓	✓
Information Technology Governance			✓	Partial
Information Technology Service Delivery and Support			✓	Partial
Law, Investigation and Ethics	✓			✓
Operations Security	✓			✓
Physical Security	✓			✓
Protection of Information Assets			✓	✓
Response Management		✓		✓
Risk Management		✓		✓
Security Architecture and Models	✓			Partial
Security Management Practices	✓	✓		✓
System and Infrastructure Lifecycle Management			✓	✓
Telecommunications and Network Security	✓			✓