## Socio-organizational Context of IS Security

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## **Computer and Information Security**

Information communication technology (ICT) expands the boundary of information exchange, changes how individuals and organizations develop, process and store information

- How can organization protect information
  - Technical problem- certainly!
  - But also a socio-organizational problem

### **Examples of Industry Risk Events**

- Nick Lesson & Barings Bank (1995)
- 11 September (2001)
- SARS (2003)
- Former bank branch manager at Commonwealth Bank stole 19mm of client money over a five year period. (August, 2003)
- Tokyo Stock Exchange (2005)
- Fubon Securities (2005)
- India call centre data leakage (2005)
- Eastern Home Shopping Network (2007)
- □ Societe Generale (2008)

### Problems

- Hacking
- Virus
- Illegal physical access
- Abuse of privileges
- Acts of human errors
- Acts of Gods
- Terrorist attack

# Estimated likely source of security incidents

Employee	
2008	34%
2007	48%
Former employee	
2008 16%	
2007	21%
Hacker	
2008	28%
2007	41%

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Source: The Global State of Information Security Survey®, 2008

(source: Pricewaterhousecooper)

Rising attention on socio-organizational context of IS security

- Industry practitioners
  - Commercial organizations, consultants, professional development
- Academics

Regulators

## For Commercial Organizations



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## Security Budget



## Consultants-Annual IS Security Surveys

**Consultancy Firms** 







### **Professional Development**

### Professional certification

- Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA)
- Certified Information Security Manager (CISM)

### 1. Information Security Governance (23%)

Establish and maintain a framework to provide assurance that information security strategies are aligned with the business objectives and consistent with applicable laws and regulations.

2. Information Risk Management (22%)

Identify and manage information security risks to achieve business objectives.

3. Information Security Program Development (17%)

Create and maintain a program to implement the information security strategy.

- 4. Information Security Program Management (24%)
  - Design, develop and manage an information security program to implement the information security governance framework.
- 5. Incident Management and Response (14%)
  - Plan, develop and manage a capability to detect, respond to and recover from information security incidents.





### I. IS Audit Process – 10%

Provide IS audit services in accordance with IS audit standards, guidelines, and best practices to assist the organization in ensuring that its information technology and business systems are protected and controlled.

### 2. IT Governance – 15%

Provide assurance that the organization has the structure, policies, accountability, mechanisms, and monitoring practices in place to achieve the requirements of corporate governance of IT.

### 3. Systems and Infrastructure Lifecycle Management – 16%

Provide assurance that the management practices for the development/acquisition, testing, implementation, maintenance, and disposal of systems and infrastructure will meet the organization's objectives.

### 4. IT Service Delivery and Support – 14%

Provide assurance that the IT service management practices will ensure the delivery of the level of services required to meet the organization's objectives.

### *5. Protection of Information Assets – 31%*

Provide assurance that the security architecture (policies, standards, procedures, and controls) ensures the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of information assets.

### 6. Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery – 14%

Provide assurance that in the event of a disruption the business continuity and disaster recovery processes will ensure the timely resumption of IT services while minimizing the business impact.



Distribution in Asia (Sept 2007)

	CISAs	CISMs
Hong Kong	1336	142
Japan	1412	138
Korea	2198	41
China	519	39
Singapore	819	125
Malaysia	187	17
Taiwan	108	23

As of Dec. 2008, 163 CISA professionals in Taiwan, 23% growth from Jan. Dec. °

### Academics

## MIS Quarterly, special issue on IS security managmeent

"The increasing number of IS security incidents that organizations have confronted within the last few years suggests that much needs to be done to secure information and knowledge. Interestingly, most of the research on IS security to date has been at the technical level, carried out mostly by computer scientists, mathematicians, and computer engineers (Straub et al. 2008). Comparatively little work has taken a managerial point of view, covering broad organizational and social issues (Dhillon and Backhouse 2001; Straub et al. 2008). Scant work exists examining the social implications of security technologies. In addition, increasing interconnections and intercommunications between organizations in products and services value chains require greater stress on behavioral, analytical, and empirical research in cyber security, privacy, and secure knowledge management."

### Regulators

### Compliance- E&Y Global Information Security Survey



### Compliance is projected to be the primary driver of information security in the next 12 months.





### Regulation

- Sarbanes-Oxley Act 2002 (SOX)
- Basel II
- Data Protection Act

Information Systems Security Management & Governance

### A Secured Organization...

### Technical

Formal

Informal

- Appropriate Security Technology
- Appropriate Security Policy
- Appropriate
  Education and
  Awareness Program

### **Technical Approach**

Figure 16: Security Technologies Used



(Source: 2008 CSI/FBI Computer Security Survey)

### Formal Approach

### □ ISO/IEC 17799

- Security policy
- Management Committee
- Audit
- Risk management

## Formal Approach

Figure 22: Information Security Policy w/n Your Organization



(Source: 2008 CSI/FBI Computer Security Survey)

## Formal Approach

Which of the following statements best describes your organization's use of information security standards (e.g., ISO/IEC 27002:2005)?



(Source: 2008 E&Y Global Security Survey)

## Informal Approach

- Social engineering
- Security awareness programme
- Security culture

**Creation of Human Firewall!** 

## Informal Approach

#### Figure 9: Estimated likely source of security incidents over the last 12 months<sup>3</sup>

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## Informal Approach

Figure 18: Awareness Training Metrics



(Source: 2008 CSI/FBI Computer Security Survey)

### Information Security Management: Multidiscipline knowledge



Source:Weber, 1999

## Information Security Management: Multi-discipline knowledge

- Traditional Auditing
- Internal Control Principle

- Information Systems
  Management
- Information System Design

- Computer Science
- Security Technology

- Behavioral Science
- Organizational Behavior

## WHERE IS THE ECONOMIC/BUSINESS VALUE OF SECURITY?!?!

BUT.....

### Security also comes with cost

"Security is *not an isolated good*, but just one component of a complicated transaction. It costs money, but it also it in intangibles: time, convenience, flexibility, or privacy"

Schneier, beyond Fear, 2003

### **Business Justification**

Figure 7: Percentage Using ROI, NPV, and IRR Metrics



(Source: 2008 CSI/FBI Computer Security Survey)

### Alignment Issue

### Figure 3: Percentage of senior business and IT executives who report that security policies and security spending are completely aligned with business objectives

	CEO	CFO	CIO	CISO
Security policies are completely aligned with business objectives	34%	28%	31%	38%
Security spending is completely aligned with business objectives	34%	30%	21%	22%
Alignment gap	0	-2	10	16

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### So...What Information Security is about...



