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Taher Amine is a highly accomplished cybersecurity leader and information security expert with 15 years of experience across multiple countries, industries, and specialties. As a vCISO, Global Advisor, Principal Consultant, Accredited Auditor, Subject Matter Expert, and Certified Trainer, he provides expert guidance on cybersecurity, GRC, Red and Blue Teaming, and more. Holding over 240 certifications and a multiple-time top 10 winner of international security and hacking contests, Taher combines deep technical expertise with strategic governance capabilities.

His hands-on approach ensures that organizations align their security posture with industry standards and best practices, enhancing resilience, protecting critical assets, and maintaining business continuity.

As a global advisor, certified trainer, and accredited auditor, Taher has trained and advised organizations across all continents. He currently serves as a Global Advisory Board Member at EC-Council and a Subject Matter Expert at ISC2 and HackTheBox, continuously striving to make a positive impact in the cybersecurity industry worldwide.

Main Certifications (+240): mMBA, CISSP-SME, CCISO, ISMS Master, SecurityX, CMSA, ISOxx SLMAI, CCSK, CCZT, CLPTP, eCPPT, eCTHP, GRCP, GRCA, IAIP, OEHE, OWEE, OOSE, PSCE, CC...

Main Industries: Consulting/Advisory, Auditing, MSSP/MDR, CERT/CSIRT/PSIRT/CIRT/SOC, Banking/Finance, Telecom/ISPs, Technology, Training, Government, National Defense, Regulators, CB/CAB, Manufacturing, Agriculture...

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

["GIE Monétique"](#) - (Full-time / Hybrid)

Jul 2025 – Present (Algeria)

Chief Information Security Officer (CISO/DSSI) – Head of Risks, Security, and Compliance

As the CISO and Head of the Risk, Security, and Compliance Division/Pole at GIE Monétique (Algerian National Electronic and Digital Banking Regulator), I lead the national information security & cybersecurity, risk, and compliance strategy for Algeria's electronic payment ecosystem. My mandate covers both internal governance and sector-wide oversight across member banks, PSPs, and financial institutions.

- Lead the redesign and implementation of the GIE Monétique Security Framework, integrating global standards and frameworks (PCI DSS, SWIFT CSP, DORA, NIS2, ISO/IEC 27001, OWASP, CSA, CIS, NIST) and ensuring alignment with Algeria's national RNSI framework and Law 18-07.
- Serve as the "CISO of CISOs" for Algeria's banking and electronic payment ecosystem, coordinating cybersecurity governance, risk, and compliance across member banks, PSPs, and financial institutions.
- Oversee the internal ISMS of GIE Monétique, ensuring compliance with ISO 27001 and all applicable national and sectoral cybersecurity regulations.
- Lead and support the implementation, monitoring, and audit/assessment of RNSI, PCI DSS, and GIE Monétique frameworks across the sector, promoting a unified and auditable security posture.
- Develop and drive sector-wide cybersecurity initiatives, including capacity-building programs, cyber risk frameworks, Zero Trust adoption, and digital resilience strategies.
- Design and implement cybersecurity performance and risk metrics for cross-institutional visibility and maturity tracking.
- Represent GIE Monétique in national and regional cybersecurity forums, contributing to public-private cooperation and advancing Algeria's digital sovereignty objectives.

["DjazairCodeSchool"](#) - (Part-time / Remote)

Jul 2025 – Present (Algeria)

Chief of Instructors | Cybersecurity (Subject Matter Expert – SME)

- Leading the cybersecurity training vision and instructional strategy as the Chief of Instructors, supporting the development of next-generation cybersecurity professionals across Algeria.
- Acting as Subject Matter Expert (SME) for cybersecurity curriculum design, ensuring alignment with industry standards (e.g., ISO/IEC, NIST, OWASP) and emerging threat landscapes.
- Overseeing and mentoring a team of cybersecurity instructors, ensuring technical accuracy, hands-on learning, and continuous content improvement.
- Supporting DjazairCodeSchool's mission of digital skills empowerment through expert-led delivery, career readiness coaching, and cybersecurity workforce development.

"Independent (National Agency for Self-Employment)" - (Freelance / Hybrid) Jan 2015 – Present (Global)

vCISO and Cybersecurity Expert | Consultant, Assessor, Instructor

- **Delivered strategic vCISO services and expert-level cybersecurity consulting to a wide range of clients:** from SMBs and critical infrastructure to government entities, national cyber agencies, and global corporations, across sectors and geographies.
- **Specialized in:** Penetration Testing & Red Teaming (PTES, MITRE ATT&CK, Purple Teaming), Adversary Simulation & Source Code Review, SOC/CSIRT/CERT design, implementation & maturity assessment (SIM3, SOC-CMM), Incident Response & Digital Forensics (ISO 27035, ISO 27037, ISO 27042, ISO 27043), Governance, Risk & Compliance (GRC) frameworks and audits, Information Security Audits & Gap Assessments (ISO 27001, ISO 22301, CSA STAR, ITGC, NIST, CIS, OWASP)
- **Conducted and developed advanced training programs, including:** SOC Operations & SIEM Engineering, Threat Hunting & Detection Engineering, Cybersecurity Governance & Strategy (CISO-level), Red Team & Blue Team Training, Digital Forensics & Incident Response (DFIR), Vulnerability Management & Threat Intelligence, ISO Standards (27001, 22301, 27032, 27035, 27005, 27002, 27701, 42001, etc.)
- **Maintained and applied a broad range of top-tier certifications:** (CISSP, CMSA, CEH, CHFI, ISO 27001 Master, ISO 27032, ISO 27035, SOC 2 Analyst, NIST Consultant, and more) to ensure alignment with emerging threats, compliance mandates, and real-world needs

"AfricaCERT" - (Part-time / Remote)

Mar 2025 – Present (Africa)

Professional Member | Subject Matter Expert (SME)

- Serving as a Subject Matter Expert (SME) contributing to the development, review, and enhancement of AfricaCERT's regional cybersecurity frameworks and initiatives.
- Actively supporting the design and evolution of the AfricaCERT Cybersecurity Common Controls Framework (AfricaCERT 3CF), including control catalogues, maturity models, assessment toolkits, and national-level cybersecurity implementation guidance.
- Providing expert input across multiple domains, including governance, risk management, SOC/CSIRT maturity, incident response, cloud security, and digital resilience for African institutions.
- Promoting cybersecurity capacity building and harmonization across the continent through technical expertise, strategic advisory, and collaboration with regional stakeholders (Agencies) and CERTs/CSIRTs.

"EC-Council" - (Part-time / Remote)

Nov 2024 – Present (APAC + IMEA)

International Advisory Board Member (C|CISO) + Global Advisory Board Member (C|PENT)

- Appointed to EC-Council's International Advisory Board for C|CISO and Global Advisory Board for C|PENT, representing the APAC and IMEA regions (Asia-Pacific, India, Middle East, and Africa).
- Provide strategic input and subject matter expertise to shape EC-Council's executive leadership (C|CISO) and advanced offensive security (C|PENT) certification programs.
- Contribute to curriculum development, technical reviews, and the integration of real-world practices aligned with evolving global cybersecurity demands.
- Represent EC-Council at international events, advocate for industry best practices, and support capacity-building initiatives across regions.

EC-Council International Advisory Board for C|CISO: <https://www.eccouncil.org/international-advisory-board-for-cciso/>

EC-Council Global Advisory Board for C|PENT: <https://www.eccouncil.org/global-advisory-board-for-cpent/>

"Accurate Global INC (Maghreb)" - (Part-time / Hybrid)

Jan 2025 – Present (Algeria & Tunisia)

Franchise Partner | Regional Director & Accredited/Approved Senior Lead Auditor & Assessor

- Leading the strategic launch and operations of Accurate ISO Maghreb, representing Accurate Global Inc. across Algeria, Tunisia, and the wider Maghreb region.
- Driving business growth, certification delivery, and regional partnerships aligned with UAF-accredited ISO standards (ISO 27001, 9001, 14001, 45001 – ISO 17021 & ISO 27006/7/8 & ISO 19011).
- Ensuring quality assurance, regulatory alignment, and trusted client relationships in line with Accurate Global's global mission of safeguarding life, property, and the environment through excellence in management systems certification.

"MSECB" - (Freelance / Hybrid)

Sep 2024 – Present (Canada)

Global Accredited/Approved Senior Lead Auditor in Management Systems Standards

- **Accredited Global Auditor:** Certified to conduct third-party certification audits for ISO/IEC 27001:2022 (Information Security Management Systems), ISO 22301:2019 (Business Continuity Management Systems), and CSA STAR (Cloud Security Alliance - Security, Trust, Assurance, and Risk - Cloud Controls Matrix - Consensus Assessment Initiative Questionnaire) standards, and more.
- **CSA STAR Audits:** Provide expert-level audits for cloud service providers, ensuring compliance with CSA STAR Level 2 through rigorous third-party independent assessments based on the Cloud Security Alliance's Cloud Controls Matrix (CCM).
- **Specialized Audits:** Assess organizations in medium to high-risk environments to help them achieve CSA STAR Certification and/or Attestation, integrating ISO/IEC 27001 standards.
- **Global Audit Experience:** Offering comprehensive audits across various industries to help clients maintain compliance with cloud security, privacy, and international management system standards.

- **Unique Distinction:** Proud to be the only accredited auditor in Algeria (ISO 27001, CSA STAR, ISO 22301) and potentially the youngest worldwide as of 2024.

"EKSec Group" - (Part-time / Hybrid)

Sep 2024 – Present (Algeria, UK, USA)

Founder & Partner/Shareholder | Senior Director (Information Security and Cybersecurity Services)

- Co-leading EKSec Group, a multinational cybersecurity and GRC firm operating in Algeria, the UK, and the USA, under the core principles of TRUST. PROTECT. DEFEND.
- Driving the strategic vision and service delivery across consulting, auditing, and training pillars, while overseeing the firm's global expansion and operational excellence.
- Delivering high-impact services including vCISO, incident response, DFIR, threat hunting, compliance consulting (ISO, NIST, RNSI, PCI-DSS), and advanced red/purple teaming assessments.
- Leading certified audits and assessments (ISO 27001, CSA STAR, VAPT, GRC frameworks), uncovering security gaps and aligning business and security objectives.
- Spearheading professional development through globally recognized training programs in ISO standards, cybersecurity leadership, cloud assurance, and offensive/defensive security.

"PECB" - (Freelance / Hybrid)

Jun 2024 – Present (Canada & MEA)

Certified Trainer, Authorized Instructor, and PECB Approved Partner

Partnered with PECB to deliver official training and certification programs across Africa and the Middle East, supporting the development of skilled professionals in cybersecurity, risk management, governance, and ISO management systems. Authorized and experienced in delivering over 25+ advanced PECB programs, including:

- **Cybersecurity & Executive Programs:** Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) / Senior Lead Cybersecurity Manager (ISO/IEC 27032 – CSLCM) / Lead Pen Test Professional (LPTP) / Cybersecurity Foundation / Senior Lead SOC 2 Analyst / NIST Cybersecurity Consultant...
- **Information Security Management Systems (ISMS):** ISO/IEC 27001 Master / ISO/IEC 27001 Senior Lead Auditor / ISO/IEC 27001 Senior Lead Implementer / ISO/IEC 27002 Foundation / Senior Lead Manager / ISO/IEC 27005 Foundation / Senior Risk Manager / Senior Lead Risk Manager (2022) / ISO/IEC 27035 Foundation / Senior Lead Incident Manager...
- **Privacy & Emerging Technologies:** ISO/IEC 27701 Lead Implementer / Senior Lead Auditor / ISO/IEC 42001 Lead Implementer / Lead Auditor (Artificial Intelligence Management) ...
- **Continuity, Risk, and Other Standards:** ISO 22301 Senior Lead Implementer / Senior Lead Auditor / ISO 31000 Senior Lead Risk Manager / ISO 45001 Provisional Auditor / ISO/IEC 20000 Lead Implementer / Lead Auditor / EBIOS Risk Manager (Confirmed) / CMSA IPC Management Systems Auditor...

Proven record of delivering expert-level, hands-on training sessions for professionals and enterprises, contributing to workforce capability building, compliance readiness, and operational excellence.

"TRECCERT" - (Freelance / Hybrid)

Jun 2024 – Present (Germany)

Certified Trainer and Authorized Instructor

- **Information Security Management System (ISMS), including ISO 27001 Lead Implementer (LI) and Lead Auditor (LA):** Ensuring the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of information through a comprehensive risk management approach.
- **Business Continuity Management Systems (BCMS), including ISO 22301 Lead Implementer (LI) and Lead Auditor (LA):** Preparing organizations to effectively respond to and recover from disruptions, maintaining essential business operations.
- **IT Service Management (ITSM), including ISO 20000:** Optimizing the design, delivery, and management of IT services to meet business and customer needs efficiently.
- **Cybersecurity (CYSE):** Protecting systems, networks, and programs from digital attacks by implementing robust security measures and best practices.

"HTB (HackTheBox)" - (Part-time / Remote)

May 2024 – Present (United Kingdom)

Cybersecurity Subject Matter Expert (SME)

- Selected as a Subject Matter Expert (SME) to contribute to Hack The Box's editorial and educational content, supporting a global community of over 2 million cybersecurity professionals.
- Provide expert commentary, technical insights, and strategic quotes for HTB's publications, helping to educate and inspire the next generation of cybersecurity talent.
- Contribute to the dissemination of industry knowledge, trends, and practical perspectives in offensive security, red teaming, threat emulation, and cyber capability building.

"CSA Algeria Chapter" - (Self-employed / Hybrid)

May 2024 – Present (Algeria)

Founding President (Chapter Leader and Chair of the BoD)

- Founded and currently lead the first official CSA Chapter in Algeria, driving national awareness, knowledge sharing, and collaboration around cloud security, compliance, and assurance frameworks. Organize and deliver training sessions, workshops, and public seminars, promoting adoption of CSA best practices, including the Cloud Controls Matrix (CCM), CAIQ, and STAR Program.
- Forge strategic partnerships with industry leaders, academia, and government stakeholders to influence Algeria's cloud security landscape and contribute to regional capacity building. Represent CSA Algeria in national and regional cybersecurity forums, advocating for secure cloud adoption.

"ISC2" - (Full-time / Hybrid)

Mar 2024 – Present (United States)

Distinguished Cybersecurity Expert (Subject Matter Expert – Exam and Content Development)

- Appointed by ISC2 as a Subject Matter Expert (SME) contributing to the development of globally recognized certifications, including CC (Certified in Cybersecurity) and CISSP, as well as the new Unified Body of Knowledge (UBK) project covering: CC, SSCP, CSSLP, CGRC, CCSP, CISSP, ISSEP, ISSAP, and ISSMP.
- Participate in global exam and curriculum development workshops, ensuring alignment with industry standards, emerging threats, and practical competencies across the cybersecurity spectrum.
- Support the evolution of certification frameworks, enhancing exam quality, technical accuracy, and instructional relevance to help maintain ISC2's status as a global leader in information systems security certification and education.

"OWASP Algiers Chapter" - (Self-employed / Hybrid)

Nov 2023 – Present (Algeria)

Founding President (Chapter Leader and Chair of the BoD)

- Founded and lead the OWASP Algiers Chapter, serving as Chapter Leader and Board Chair, responsible for strategic direction, operations, and community engagement.
- Drive initiatives that promote application security awareness, secure software development practices, and cybersecurity collaboration across Algeria with a regional outreach vision.
- Organize events, workshops, training sessions, and technical knowledge sharing platforms, aligning with OWASP's global mission to improve the security of software and systems.

"Brandvakt Africa/Group" - (Freelance / Remote)

Apr 2024 – Oct 2024 (United Arab Emirates)

Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) Africa & Head of Global SecOps

- Directed cybersecurity strategy and operations for clients across the Africa region while managing global Security Operations for worldwide clients, ensuring robust security measures and compliance with industry standards. Developed tailored security solutions to address unique challenges faced by African clients, enhancing their overall security posture.
- Oversaw Security Operations Centers (SOC), implementing effective security assessment frameworks to evaluate and improve client security postures.
- Led risk assessments and incident response initiatives, fostering collaboration across teams to respond effectively to security incidents and emerging threats on a global scale.

"THM (TryHackMe)" - (Contract / Remote)

Mar 2024 – Sep 2024 (United Kingdom)

Cyber Security Contractor

- Contributed to the design, review, and validation of cybersecurity content including hands-on labs, CTF challenges, and interactive rooms across Red, Blue, and Purple Team tracks.
- Ensured the technical accuracy, educational value, and challenge integrity of THM's learning platform for a global cybersecurity community.
- Supported the continuous improvement of practical, scenario-based training in offensive and defensive security.

"Société Generale Group (SGA)" - (Full-time / On-site)

Jul 2023 – Nov 2023 (Algeria)

Information Systems Security Engineer and Cyber SOC Analyst L2/L3

- **GRC & ISMS Implementation:** Led ISO/IEC 27001 initiatives, applying ISO 27001, 27002, and 27005 for risk assessment, control implementation, and ISMS governance. Familiar with NIST CSF and Zero Trust Architecture (ZTA), and PCI-DSS.
- **Security Operations & Incident Response:** Managed security incidents using SIEM, EDR, and DLP tools; collaborated with L1 SOC teams, and coordinated with the Group's CSIRT and CERT on IR, vulnerability management, and incident containment.
- **Blue Team Capabilities:** Specialized in digital forensics (DFIR), vulnerability management, secure architecture, source code review, and application security (SAST/DAST). Supported threat hunting and integration of cyber threat intelligence into defensive workflows. Experienced with Secure SDLC practices.
- **Red Teaming & Offensive Security:** Conducted penetration testing, vulnerability assessments, and social engineering campaigns to evaluate organizational resilience and security awareness.

"Intelligent Network – iNET" - (Full-time / Hybrid)

Feb 2023 – May 2023 (Algeria)

Senior Cybersecurity Consultant and Information Security Expert

- Advised clients on cybersecurity strategy and risk management, aligning security initiatives with business objectives and compliance requirements.
- Developed and implemented security policies, procedures, and technical controls, tailored to organizational needs and aligned with global standards.
- Led offensive security services, including penetration testing and red teaming, to evaluate and strengthen clients' security posture.
- Investigated security incidents and breaches, provided mitigation recommendations, and supported remediation planning. Directed a cybersecurity team in performing vulnerability assessments, technical and organizational assessments/audits, and comprehensive infrastructure security evaluations.

"MicroExpert" - (Freelance / On-site)

Jan 2020 – Jun 2020 (Algeria)

Head of CyberSecurity

- Led the cybersecurity division, overseeing penetration testing, vulnerability assessments, and red teaming operations to identify and remediate security weaknesses across client infrastructures.
- Implemented robust security controls and defensive architectures, aligning with international standards to enhance protection for both internal and client systems.
- Delivered offensive security services, simulating real-world attack scenarios to improve detection, response, and resilience capabilities.
- Negotiated and established strategic partnerships with Kaspersky Lab, facilitating the integration of advanced threat detection and prevention solutions into the Algerian market.

"SLH (Smart Link Holding: SLC & Divona)" - (Full-time / On-site)

Oct 2018 – Oct 2019 (Algeria)

Projects Manager – Information Systems Security & Cybersecurity

- Managed cybersecurity initiatives in collaboration with the Network Operations Center, leading internal infrastructure security assessments and SOC-related offensive security projects.
- Acted as Lead Penetration Tester and Security Specialist, identifying and remediating vulnerabilities across enterprise environments.
- Designed and implemented cybersecurity strategies, standards, and controls to secure corporate datacenters and safeguard business operations and customer data.
- Led the development and execution of incident response plans and playbooks, ensuring rapid response and minimal operational impact in case of security breaches.
- Collaborated cross-functionally to align security architecture with business continuity and resilience goals.

"Algerian Government Sector" - (Part-time / Hybrid)

Jan 2019 – Aug 2019 (Algeria)

Independent CyberSecurity Consultant

- Advised multiple government agencies on enhancing their cybersecurity posture, aligning strategies with international standards, frameworks, and emerging technologies.
- Led and executed cybersecurity audits, vulnerability assessments, and penetration testing to identify risks and evaluate overall cybersecurity maturity.
- Contributed to the planning, execution, and documentation of security assessments, ensuring operational security enforcement and readiness across key infrastructures.

"Taghellist Technology" - (Full-time / On-site)

Apr 2017 – Apr 2018 (Algeria)

Lead Penetration Tester

- Led security assessments and conducted numerous penetration tests for various clients, ensuring the identification and remediation of vulnerabilities to enhance their cybersecurity posture.
- Spearheaded various internal cybersecurity projects, integrating innovative security solutions to strengthen the company's defenses and protect against cyber threats.
- Planned, analyzed, developed, and delivered company-wide information security awareness training programs for various clients, fostering a culture of security awareness and promoting best practices among employees.

"ILM Center" - (Part-time / On-site)

Nov 2017 – Jan 2018 (Algeria)

Ethical Hacking Instructor

- Developed comprehensive education modules to teach cybersecurity and ethical hacking, covering topics such as penetration testing, vulnerability assessment, and threat analysis.
- Mentored and prepared over 10 university students to tackle real-world security challenges, equipping them with practical skills and knowledge essential for success in the field of cybersecurity.
- Organized cybersecurity events and Capture The Flag (CTF) competitions for students and the general public, providing opportunities for hands-on learning and fostering a community of cybersecurity enthusiasts.

"UpWork" - (Full-time / On-site)

Jan 2013 – Dec 2017 (Global)

Freelance Web Developer – Cybersecurity Assessor and Ethical Hacker / VAPT

- Conducted Vulnerability Assessment and Penetration Testing (VAPT) for multiple clients and SMBs worldwide, ensuring adherence to global standards and frameworks such as OWASP, OSSTMM, and PTES.
- Provided Ethical Hacking services and conducted Source Code Security Reviews primarily for websites and web applications. Implemented secure coding practices, aligning websites and web applications with standards such as OWASP Top 10s to enhance security posture.
- Developed websites and web applications for various clients and SMBs, both locally and globally.

IT Support Technician

- Provided comprehensive troubleshooting, repair, and maintenance for computer systems, including both hardware and software components.
- Delivered phone repair services, addressing issues related to both software configurations and hardware malfunctions.
- Supported clients with system installations, upgrades, and optimization to enhance performance and reliability and offered personalized IT solutions to a diverse range of clients, ensuring effective communication and timely resolution of technical issues.

ACADEMIC EDUCATION

Software Engineering (Web Development), Woolf, **Europe**

2025 – 2026 (in progress)

Master of Science in Computer Science (MSc)

Business Management, International Business Management Institute, **Germany**

2021 – 2022

Mini-Master of Business Administration (mMBA)

Computer Science, IT Networking, **Algeria**

2019 – 2022

Higher Technician Diploma (BTS)

Automotive Electronics, Cars Scanning, Reprograming and Chips Tuning, **Algeria**

2022

Professional Training (State Approved)

CERTIFICATIONS & CERTIFICATES (+240)

Vendor Organization	Certification Name and Abbreviation	Date of Achievement
NOTE: Classified from the Most Valuable, Most Known, and Hard Certifications to the Least.		
PMI	Project Management Professional (PMP)	SOON TO BE DONE
ISC2	Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP)	December 2023
	Certified Cloud Security Professional (CCSP)	SOON TO BE DONE
PECB	Certified IPC Management Systems Auditor (CMSA)	April 2025
	Certified ISO/IEC 27001:2022 MASTER (ISMS MASTER)	February 2025
	Certified Senior Lead Cybersecurity Manager (CSLCM)	June 2024
	Certified Chief Information Security Officer (CCISO)	June 2024
CompTIA	SecurityX Certified (SecurityX / CASP++)	March 2025
PECB	Certified ISMS Senior Lead Auditor (ISO 27001 SLA)	July 2024
	Certified ISMS Senior Lead Implementer (ISO 27001 SLI)	February 2025
	Certified BCMS Senior Lead Auditor (ISO 22301 SLA)	July 2025
	Certified BCMS Senior Lead Implementer (ISO 22301 SLI)	July 2025
	Certified PIMS Senior Lead Auditor (ISO 27701 SLA)	July 2025
	Certified ERM Senior Lead Risk Manager (ISO 31000 SLRM)	July 2025
	Certified AIMS Lead Auditor (ISO 42001 LA)	July 2025
	Certified AIMS Lead Implementer (ISO 42001 LI)	July 2025
	Certified Lead Penetration Testing Professional (CLPTP)	June 2024
	Certified Senior Lead Network Security Manager (ISO 27033)	May 2025
	Certified Senior Lead Incident Manager (ISO 27035)	March 2025
	Certified EBIOS Risk Manager Confirmed	May 2025
	Certified NIST Cybersecurity Consultant	May 2025
	Certified Senior Lead SOC 2 Analyst	May 2025
	Certified ISO 27002 Foundation	February 2025
	Certified ISO 27005 Foundation + Senior Risk Manager	July 2025
	Certified NIST Cybersecurity Consultant (CSF, RMF, SPs)	June 2025
	Certified Senior Lead SOC 2 Analyst	June 2025
	ISO/IEC 27034 Lead Application Security Auditor	June 2025
eLearnSecurity	Certified Professional Penetration Tester (eCPPTv2)	April 2024
	Certified Threat Hunting Professional (eCTHPv2)	April 2025
GRC Certify / OCEG	Certified GRC Auditor (GRCA)	May 2025
	Certified GRC Professional (GRCP)	May 2025
	Certified Integrated Risk Management Professional (IRMP)	May 2025

	Certified Integrated Policy Management Professional (IPMP)	May 2025
	Certified Integrated Data Privacy Professional (IDPP)	May 2025
	Certified Integrated Audit & Assurance Professional (IAAP)	May 2025
	Certified Integrated AI Professional (IAIP)	May 2025
	Integrated Compliance & Ethics Professional (ICEP)	May 2025
EC-Council	Certified Associate Chief Information Security Officer (CCISO)	April 2024
APISecU	Certified API Security Analyst (CASA)	June 2024
ISC2	Certified in Cybersecurity (CC)	August 2023
PECB	Certified ISO 45001:2018 (OHSMS) Provisional Auditor	May 2025
	Certified Trainer	June 2024
TRECCERT	Certified Trainer	June 2024
	Certified ISMS Lead Auditor (ISO 27001 LA)	July 2024
PECB	Management Systems Auditing (ISO 19011)	July 2024
SkillFront	Certified Risk Manager, Lead Auditor, Internal Auditor and Information Security Executive in ISMS (ISO 27001:2022)	May 2024
	Certified Risk Manager, Lead Implementor, Lead Auditor, Internal Auditor in BCMS (ISO 22301)	May 2024
CSA	Certificate of Cloud Security Knowledge (CCSK v5 + v4)	July 2024
	Certificate of Competence in Zero Trust (CCZT)	June 2024
ICSI	Certified Network Security Specialist (CNSS)	
SecOps Group	Certified Cyber Security Analyst (C3SA)	January 2024
	Cybercrime & Forensic Examiner (3C&FE)	April 2024
	Certified Network Penetration Tester (CNPen)	January 2024
	Certified Cloud Security Practitioner (CCSP/AWS)	December 2023
	Certified Application Security Practitioner (CAP)	September 2023
Qualys	Certified Specialist in Vulnerability Management (QCS/VMDR)	January 2024
Google	Cybersecurity Specialization Certificate	December 2023
IBM	Cybersecurity Analyst Certified Professional	December 2020
API Academy	API Security Architect and Penetration Tester	June 2024
OPSWAT	Network Security Associate (ONSA)	August 2024
	Endpoint Compliance Associate (OECA)	August 2024
	OT Security Expert (OOSE)	February 2025
	Ethical Hacking Expert (OEHE)	August 2024
	Web Exploitation Expert (OWEE)	August 2024
	Password Cracking Expert (OPCE)	August 2024
	Siemens and Shneider PLC Secure Configuration Expert (PSCE)	August 2024
APISecU	APISec Certified Practitioner (ACP)	April 2025
TRECCERT	Certified DORA Essentials (DORA)	October 2024
PECB	Information Security Management based on ISO/IEC 27001	November 2024
PECB	ISO/IEC 27034 Lead Application Security Implementer	May 2025
CyberWarFare Labs	Certified Purple Team Analyst (CPTAv2)	January 2024
	Certified Threat Intelligence Professional (COSTIP)	April 2024
	Certified Network Security Practitioner (CNSP)	May 2024
ISC2	Unified Body of Knowledge: Content + Technical Advisory Panel (UBK-SME)	August 2024

VOLUNTEERING & MEMBERSHIPS

Professional Member / SME – Africa Computer Emergency Response Team (AfricaCERT)
Global Member – Information Systems Audit and Control Association (ISACA)
Global Ambassador – API Security University (APISecU)
Global Member – Professional Evaluation and Certification Board (PECB)
Global Member – The CISO Society
Global Member & Volunteer – Cloud Security Alliance (CSA)
Global Member & Volunteer – Open Worldwide Application Security Project Foundation (OWASP)
Global Member & Volunteer – International Information Systems Security Certification Consortium (ISC2)
Founder and Leader – DEFCON Group Algeria (DC11213)
Founder and CTF Team Leader – Imperium Team
Member, Instructor, Mentor, and Events Organizer – Shellmates Club
Founder, Teacher, and Mentor – Computer Geeks Community (CGC)
CTF Player – Sudo-Root Team

Mar 2025 – Present
Aug 2024 – Present
Jul 2024 – Present
Jun 2024 – Present
May 2024 – Present
Mar 2024 – Present
Sep 2023 – Present
May 2023 – Present
Nov 2017 – Present
Feb 2018 – Dec 2020
Nov 2017 – Dec 2018
Jan 2017 – Jun 2018
Nov 2017 – May 2018

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

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- Youngest “CISSP, SME, ISMS Master” worldwide (2023/2024/2025)
 - Acknowledged by global cyber experts and leading organizations (2014/Present)
 - MCTF 2019 Competition (1st Place – National Contest)
 - Pro Hacker Rank + TOP 10 Teams in HackTheBox (Global)
 - Kaspersky Industrial CTF 2018 (9th Place – International)
 - RITSEC CTF 2018 (9th Place – International)
 - CSAW CTF 2018 (2nd Place – MENA)
 - ISCA CTF 2018 (1st Place by Algerian Ministry of National Defense)
 - NASA SpaceApps 2017 (2nd Place – Regional)

SPEAKER – PANELIST – COACH – SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT

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- Speaker – Algeria Telecom Skills Center – Setif 2025
 - Speaker – AfricaCERT Handshake Summit 2025 – ANSI Niger
 - Speaker – National CyberSecurity Event – Information Systems Security Agency by Algerian Ministry of National Defense
 - Speaker & Organizer – Cyber Sahra 2025
 - SME / Panelist – CTO Forum 2025
 - SME / VIP – Algerian National Television
 - Speaker & VIP – North Africa OT Security Forum 2024 – Multiple Radio and TV programs – Tunisia (Regional)
 - Speaker and SME – Algeria 2.0 (National)
 - Distinguished Speaker and SME – International Cybersecurity & Digital Forensics Workshop – India (International)
 - Subject Matter Expert – Algeria National TV – Intervention (National)
 - Speaker / SME — TAD, The Algerian Developer – Live Show (Algeria)
 - Cyber Security Volunteer — Safe and Secure Online (SASO), Center for Cyber Safety, ISC2 (Global)
 - Subject Matter Expert — ENTV / Algeria National Television, CyberSecurity Awareness (National)
 - Speaker / SME — SecuriCON Event (Tunisian National Event)
 - Subject Matter Expert — Cyber Security Subject Matter Expert – ISC2 (Global)
 - Subject Matter Expert & Speaker — JilTech – JilTech Event, Ghardaia (National)
 - Subject Matter Expert & Panelist — AFES – Algeria FinTech and eCommerce Summit (National)
 - CyberSecurity Subject Matter Expert — ElIktissadia ElOula TV Channel “Eco Podcast” (National)
 - Guest Speaker — GDG Medea DevFest (National)
 - Public Speaker — SECURA North Africa 2023 (International)
 - Public Speaker — ITCTalks by IT Community, USDB, Algeria (National)
 - Public Speaker — ALGERIA 2.0 (International)
 - Panelist and Moderator – Cybersecurity Event by Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers – Tunisia and India (Regional)
 - Subject Matter Expert – Algeria National Radio Station (National)
 - Subject Matter Expert — Ennahar TV & ElChourouk TV / IT Security Awareness (National)
 - Subject Matter Expert — Radio Medea / Algeria National Radio Station, IT Security (National)
 - Subject Matter Expert — TID Event (Techverse Intelligence Day by OWASP Algiers & Techverse Club)
 - Speaker — CyberSecurity & Information Security – CDEC USDB Club, Blida (National)
 - Subject Matter Expert & Speaker — GMC – GoMyCode CyberSecurity MasterClass (Regional)
 - Subject Matter Expert & Speaker — Nexus Security Club – NexZero CTF Event (National)
 - CyberSecurity Subject Matter Expert — OWASP Algiers Chapter (Regional)
 - CyberSecurity Subject Matter Expert — ENTV / Algerian National Television (National)
 - Public Speaker + Subject Matter Expert Intervention — ICT Maghreb 2023 (International)
 - Coach & Refree — HackQuake by Aquass Club for Talents, Algeria (National)
 - Public Speaker — IT Day by ILM Center, Algeria (National)
 - Public Speaker — Hack.INI 2018 by ShellMates, ESI (National)

MISCELLANEOUS

Languages: **Arabic:** Native **English:** Fluent/Bilingual (C1) **French:** Intermediate

Knowledge & Skills: Information Security, Cybersecurity, Asset Management, Governance and Risk Management, Information Security Auditing, Management Systems Standards Auditing, IT and Security Compliance, Security Operations, Secure Software Development, Source Code Review, Security Architecture and Engineering, Systems Hardening, IAM, Security Assessments and Testing, SOC, CSIRT, CERT, Penetration Testing, Vulnerability Assessment, Red Teaming, Ethical Hacking, Network Security, Digital Forensics, Cyber Defense, Cyber Threat Intelligence, Troubleshooting, Computer Hardware, Coding/Scripting, Web Development, Social Engineering, Vulnerability and Patch Management, Incident Response, R&D, IoT/OT, ICS, and ICT.

Standards & Frameworks: ISO 27001, ISO 27002, ISO 27003, ISO 27004, ISO27005, ISO 27006, ISO 27007, ISO 27008, ISO 27032, ISO 27033, ISO 27035, ISO 27034, ISO 27037, ISO 27042/43, ISO 22301, ISO 20000, ISO 9001, ISO 19011, ISO 17021, ITIL, OWASP (Top 10s) WSTG, MSTG, ASVS, SAMM, NIST CSF/RMF/SPs, GDPR, MITRE ATT&CK + D3FEND, SOC 2, PCI-DSS, HIPAA, FedRAMP, FISMA, SCRUM, ITILv4, Agile, NIS2, CIS Benchmarks/Controls, Zero Trust, ZTNA/ZTA, CSA CCM/STAR/CAIQ, EBIOS, OCTAVE, PASTA, DREAD, STRIDE, PTES, PTEF, SOC-CMM, CTI-CMM, CERT-CMM, OSSTMM, SABSA, TOGAF, COBIT, RNSI, SCF, PCI-DSS, CSP SWIFT...

Technologies & Vendors: MS Office, Linux (Debian / Ubuntu / Arch / Fedora / CentOS / SUSE / Kali / Kali Purple / Parrot / BlackArch, RemNux), AIX, Windows (Windows Server), MacOS, iOS/Android, HTML/CSS/JS, PHP/MySQL, Python, Bash, OSI, TCP/IP, Routing and Switching, Splunk, Snort, Qualys, Rapid7, Synopsys, Symantec, FireEye, Fortinet, Fortify, Cisco, Juniper, Red Hat, F5, Sucuri, CloudFlare, Tenable, TenableSC, BoldonJames, Guardium, Wallix, Arbor, Aviatix, GCP, AWS, Azure, Sentinel, VMWare, Microsoft, IBM, QRadar, CrowdStrike, Nessus, OpenVAS, CobaltStrike, Sliver, Caldera, Atomic RedTeam, MSF/Armitage, BurpSuite, Wireshark, Maltego, Talos, Cortex, Shuffle, OpenCTI, TheHive, MISP, ELK, SecurityOnion, Wazuh, Firewall/WAF/NGFW, IDS/IPS, AntiVirus/AntiSpam, EDR/XDR/NDR, SOAR, SOC/CSIRT/CERT, SIEM, SAST/DAST, DLP, C2 (C&C), FIM, CASB...

Misc: Consulting, Auditing, Teaching, Public Speaking, Entrepreneurship, Leadership, Creativity, Problem Solving, Teamwork, Management, Business Administration, Projects Management, Digital Marketing, Blogging, Photography, Electronics, Automotive Scanner and Diagnostic, Cars Tuning, Chess, Martial Arts and Self-Defense.

Courses & Trainings:

- Strategic Cybersecurity Management – **AttackIQ**
- Master Cybersecurity Management – **LinkedIn**
- **ISC2** Certified Cloud Security Professional (**CCSP**) – **Cybrary**
- **ISACA** Certified Information Systems Auditor (**CISA**) + Certified Information Security Manager (**CISM**) – **Cybrary**
- Product Security Incident Response Team Training (**PSIRT**) + (**CVSSv4**) – **FIRST**
- Certificate of Attendance for Certified Ethical Hacker v12 (**CEHV12**) + Certified Penetration Testing Professional (**CPENTv2**) + Certified Chief Information Security Officer (**CCISO**) – **EC-Council**
- **Fortinet** Network Security Associate (**NSE3/NSE2/NSE1**) — **FORTINET**
- **Cisco** Certified Network Associate (**CCNAV7** - Bridging) — **CISCO**
- Advanced Penetration Testing + Offensive Penetration Testing — **Cybrary**
- Project Management Essentials Certified (**PMEC**) – Management and Strategy Institute (**MSI**)
- **Aviatix** Certified Engineer / Multi-Cloud Network Associate (**ACE-MCNA**)