

MEDIA RELEASE

First cybersecurity week in Singapore catering to students, professionals and industry players

The AiSP CyberFest™ is a community-led initiative to nurture a more vibrant cybersecurity ecosystem for Singapore.

Singapore, **4 November 2019** – The AiSP CyberFest[™] is a series of cybersecurity events and initiatives that take place from 4 to 8 November 2019 in Singapore. Catering to various demographics from students, professionals and industry players, the Association of Information Security Professionals (AiSP) aims to make information security knowledge accessible to stakeholders in Singapore's cybersecurity ecosystem. The events and initiatives are as follows:

- 1. SME Conference for Cybersecurity Awareness 2019, 4 November 2019
 - A half-day free event for Singapore SMEs to know more about cybersecurity as a business requirement and how they can implement solutions and measures for cyber-resilience¹.
- 2. Inaugural Student Volunteer Recognition Award Ceremony, 6 November 2019
 - The first award ceremony recognises students who have volunteered in cybersecurity related initiatives as well as their leadership skills demonstrated in school and within the community.
- Launch of membership for AiSP Validated Information Security Professionals (AVIP),
 November 2019
 - First-of-its-kind validation programme for experienced information security professional in Singapore.
- Cybersecurity Awareness workshop with the Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce and Industry, 7 November 2019
 - The workshop enables participants to improve their cyber defence and reduce risks for their businesses
- 5. Completion of Body of Knowledge 2.0 update, 8 November 2019
 - The Body of Knowledge (BoK) serves as a "live" atlas for information security
 (IS) professionals who wish to specialise and continuously update their

¹ Please refer to event details via: https://www.aisp.sg/aisp_sme_conference.html.



knowledge in IS. The volunteer-led initiative has completed the update for BoK 1.0 which is dated 2009.

- 6. The Cybersecurity Awards 2019 and gala event, 8 November 2019
 - The second edition of the Cybersecurity Awards gala event recognises outstanding contributions by individuals and organisations to cybersecurity ecosystem in Singapore and the region².

This is the first AiSP CyberFest™ organised by the Association this year. AiSP President Mr Steven Wong hopes more cybersecurity associations and societies can come onboard for 2020, "There are many touchpoints our community can leverage and connect with the wider audience in Singapore when it comes to cybersecurity awareness and adoption. I believe more can be done collectively to achieve impactful outcomes when we collaborate together in our events and outreach".

Annex A – Factsheet on Body of Knowledge 2.0

About AiSP

Started in 2008, the Association of Information Security Professionals (AiSP) aims to:

- Promote the integrity, status and interests of Information Security Professionals in Singapore.
- Develop, support and enhance technical competence and management expertise in cybersecurity.
- Bolster the development, increase and spread of information

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² Please refer to event details via: https://www.aisp.sg/thecybersecurityawards/index.html. More details will be covered in the media release on the Awards 2019.



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Body of Knowledge

For the ecosystem, by the ecosystem

The Body of Knowledge (BoK) 2.0 is a timely and critical update to its predecessor BoK 1.0 since the first version was completed in 2009. The ecosystem-centric initiative involves more than 40 volunteers across Singapore's information security (IS) professional spectrum contributed and reviewed concepts, terms and activities for the IS professional domain. It took close to two years and the volunteers are from the academia and industry in Singapore. The topics have increased from 12 to 21 in Bok 2.0 as well.

The BoK 2.0 caters to the professional development of information security personnel with relevant working experience between one to five years in Singapore, and covers the following core areas:

- 1. Governance and Management
- 2. Physical Security and Business Continuity
- 3. Security Architecture and Engineering
- 4. Operation and Infrastructure Security
- 5. Software Security
- 6. Cyber Defence

Other specialty areas will also be added to the BoK such as industrial control system security, data governance and digital forensics, in the future. To ensure its coverage is appropriate for Singapore's cybersecurity ecosystem, Bok 2.0 has taken reference from the current Skills Framework for Infocomm Technology³ on cybersecurity topics. As cybersecurity development and trends are fast-evolving, AiSP would systemise regular updates together and cross-reference with cybersecurity laws and best practices overseas with its regional partners worldwide. To date, the Association has signed 12 Memorandums of Understanding with IS-related associations based in Australia, Japan, Malaysia, Myanmar, Romania, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, United Kingdom, United States and Vietnam.

³ Please refer to this link for details: https://www.imda.gov.sg/imtalent/programmes/skills-framework-for-ict.



The domains in BoK 1.0 are currently covered in AiSP's Qualified Information Security Professionals (QISP) training. Details on implementation of BoK 2.0 for training and industry validation would be shared in Q1 2020. AiSP would continue to update BoK 2.0 in consultation with its partners and industry players. Please contact AiSP at secretariat@aisp.sg if you would like to be part of the Body of Knowledge implementation and ongoing development.