



Joint Universities Computer Centre Limited  
(“JUCC”)  
Information Security Awareness Training- Session One

## Information Security- Perspective for Management Information Security Management & Change Management



### Agenda

- Information Security Management
- Information Security Fundamentals
- The Standard - ISO27001
- ISO27001 - 11 Domains
- Information Security Change Management
- Information Security Change Management - Example

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### Information Security Management

#### Information Security Management

- Physical Information
  - e.g. paper forms / answer scripts / proposals / project progress reports ...
- Electronic Information
  - e.g. financial data (accounting system)  
student information (registry system)  
payroll information (HR system) ...

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### Information Security Management

#### Information Security Management

“Information security means **protecting information** and information systems from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, perusal, inspection, recording or destruction”

(Wikipedia)

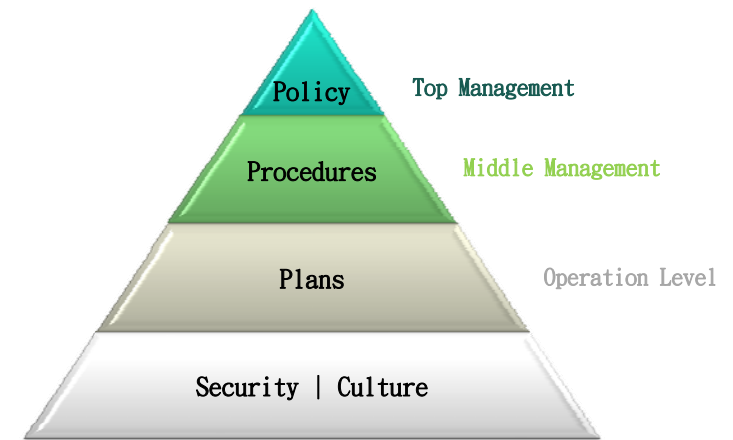
Information security exists to: “ensure **adequate and proportionate security controls** that adequately protect information assets and give confidence to customers and other interested parties. This can be translated into maintaining and improving competitive edge, cash flow, profitability, legal compliance and commercial image.”

(ISO27001)

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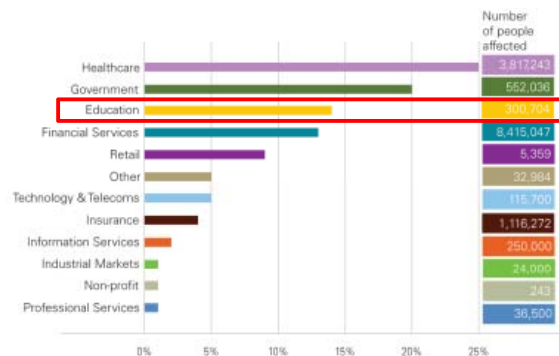
- The risks associated with information
- The corresponding controls in place to manage those risks
- Controls:
  - Technology measures
  - Organisational structures
  - Procedures
  - Policies
  - Plans



Why manage information security?

Data Loss Statistics

By sector: number of incidents as a % of total for 2010

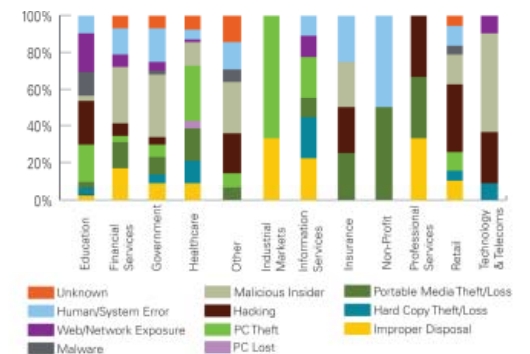


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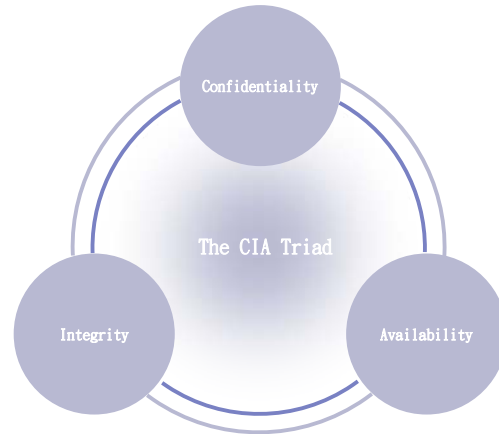
Cause of data loss v Industry: number of incidents as % of total for 2010 (January-June)



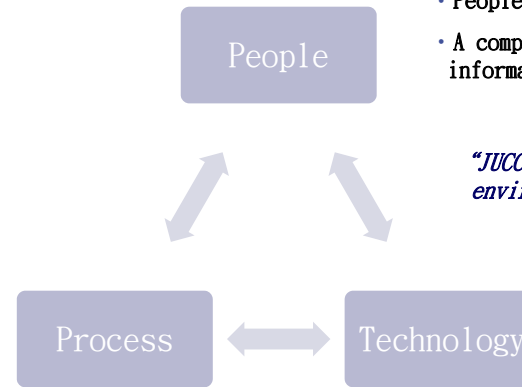
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The core principles of information security:

- “Confidentiality” is keeping sensitive information protected
- “Integrity” is keeping information intact and valid
- “Availability” is keeping information available and accessible



- Information security is not only related to computer systems.
- People are always the weakest link.
- A complete framework is required to manage information security.



*“JUC is committed to improve the security environment of the universities in all 3 perspectives”*

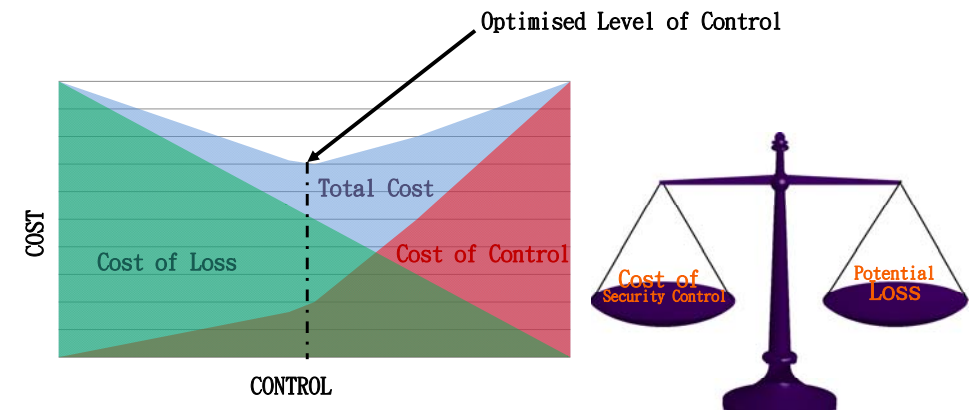
Types of Information Security Controls



Limitations

- No 100% assurance
- Breakdown e.g. misunderstand/ mistake
- Involve human judgement
- Management override
- Collusion

Control Implementation- Cost vs Loss



## Standard- ISO27001

- Information Security Management System (ISMS) standard
- Published by International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
- Requires management:
  - Systematically **examine** the organization's information security risks, taking account of the **threats, vulnerabilities and impacts**;
  - **Design and implement** a coherent and comprehensive suite of information security controls and/or other forms of **risk treatment** (such as risk avoidance or risk transfer) to address those risks that are deemed unacceptable; and
  - Adopt an overarching **management process** to ensure that the information security controls continue to meet the organization's information security needs on an **ongoing basis**.

(Source: Wikipedia)

## ISO27001- 11 Domains

1. Security Policy
2. Organisation of Information Security
3. Asset Management
4. Human Resource Security
5. Physical and Environment Security
6. Communication and Operations Management
7. Access Control
8. Information System Acquisition, Development and Maintenance
9. Information Security Incident Management
10. Business Continuity Management
11. Compliance

## ISO27001- 11 Domains (cont' d)

- Security Policy
  - Security **policy document** approved and communicated
  - Regular **review** of the policy document
- Organisation of Information Security
  - Clear direction and visible **management support**
  - **Managed implementation** of security controls
  - Information security **responsibilities** defined

## ISO27001- 11 Domains (cont' d)

- Asset Management
  - Information, software & physical asset **inventory**
  - Information **classification**
  - Information **handling** procedures
- Human Resource Security
  - **Employment checks**
  - Confidentiality/ non-disclosure **agreements**
  - Information security **training**
  - **Disciplinary process** for security violation

### ISO27001- 11 Domains (cont' d)

- Physical and Environment Security
  - **Physical protection** of premises/ facilities
  - Protection against **natural disasters**
  - Protection against communication **interception**
  - **Clear desk** policy
- Communication and Operations Management
  - Operating **procedures**
  - Security requirements for **contractors**
  - Detection and prevention of **malicious software**
  - Data **backup**
  - Network, email, portable media and disposal **management procedures**

### ISO27001- 11 Domains (cont' d)

- Access Control
  - User registration/ deregistration **process**
  - **Password** controls
  - User access **review**
  - **Remote access** control
  - **Audit** logging
- Information System Acquisition, Development and Maintenance
  - Data **validation**
  - Message **authentication**
  - **Cryptography** management
  - Control over **testing data**
  - System **change controls**
  - Prevention against **covert channels**

### ISO27001- 11 Domains (cont' d)

- Information Security Incident Management
  - Incident **prioritisation & classification**
  - Channels for incident **reporting**
  - Incident **escalation** procedures
  - **Contacts** of regulatory bodies and law enforcement agencies
- Business Continuity Management
  - Business continuity **framework**
  - Established business continuity **plans**
  - Regular business continuity **test**

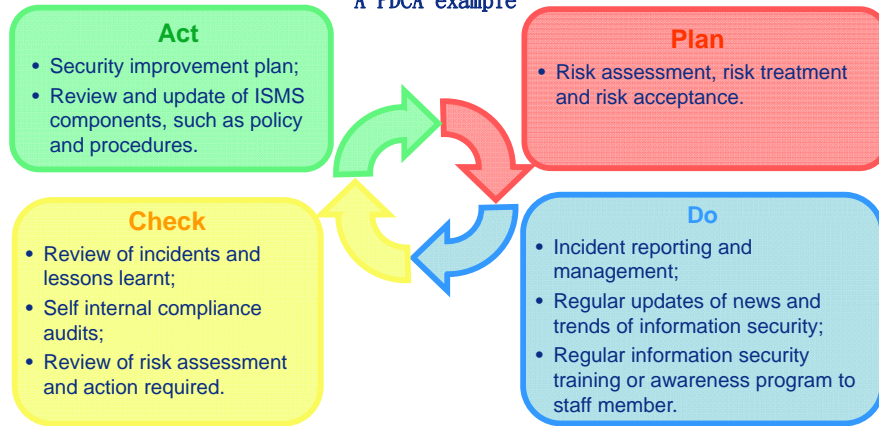
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- Compliance
  - Defined compliance **requirements**
  - Procedures implemented to **comply** with requirements (e.g. personal data/ privacy protection)
  - Regular compliance **checks**



**Plan-Do-Check-Act (PDCA)**  
A model adopted by ISO27001

A PDCA example



## Information Security Change Management

### Change Management

Change management is a structured approach to shifting/transitioning individuals, teams, and organisations from a current state to a desired future state.

Examples of change:

- Missionary changes
- Strategic changes
- Operational changes (including Structural changes)
- Technological changes
- Changing the attitudes and behaviors of personnel

(Wikipedia)

### Information Security Change

- Includes changes to policy, direction, strategy and operations relating to information security
- May affect a large number of personnel in an organisation
- May face resistance from change audience
- Should be well managed

### Process

- Evaluate the **current situation**
- Assess the scope of change
  - **Need** for change
  - **Capability** to change
- Define the **objective, goal and process**
- Develop the change management **plan**
- **Communicate** the change to stakeholders and relevant personnel (the plan, reasons and benefits)
- **Execute** (including training to personnel)
- **Counter resistance**
- Progress **tracking**, evaluation & fine-tuning

### Example

To Implement password expiry requirement (e.g. 90 days) across the institution

- **Current Situation:**  
No password expiry, users are not used to changing and remembering new passwords  
Unauthorised access identified due to leakage of username and password
- **Need for Change:**  
Improve access security
- **Capability to Change:**  
System - Ready for password expiration requirements  
Users - Resistance towards implementation of password expiry

### Example

- **Objective & Goal:**  
Implement consistent password expiry requirement across the university for all information systems
- **Change Management Plan:**  
Timeline, budget, performance indicators, instructions, technical support, contacts
- **Communication:**  
Early communication to staff and students, explaining the new processes, as well as the benefits and needs
- **Counter Resistance:**  
Understand the source of resistance, provide training and counseling
- **Progress Tracking:**  
Monitor the helpdesk request raised by users and fine tune parameters such as the expiration period (e.g. from 90 days to 180 days for the first phase of implementation)

- Information security management framework is **essential** for the overall security of data in the university.
- Defining sound information security management is the **responsibility** of university's management.
- Information security changes should be **well managed**.

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