

WORLD SKILLS SINGAPORE 2023
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Skill Competition

1. This competition includes the seven categories of cyber security functions as defined in the NIST NICE (National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education) Cybersecurity Workforce Framework. (SP 800-181)
2. Conducted as a 2-person team event, competitors are given 24 hours over 3 days to complete the Test Projects for this competition.

Scope of Work

3. Competitors should be able to perform some of the roles as listed within the knowledge, skills and abilities defined under the seven (7) categories stated in the NIST NICE Cybersecurity Workforce Framework:
 - 3.1. **Securely Provision (SP)** – Build secure services for:
 - a) Web server in Windows
 - b) File server in Linux.
 - 3.2. **Operate and Maintain (OM)** - Operate and maintain security configurations of computer systems, and networking services and hardware in:
 - a) Windows Server and Clients environment;
 - b) Networking environment;
 - c) Firewall appliances/applications.
 - 3.3. **Oversee and Govern (OV)** - To provide support, management, or development and advocacy so the organization may effectively conduct cybersecurity work.
 - 3.4. **Protect and Defend (PR)**
 - a) Perform vulnerability assessment and audit;
 - b) Handle incidents via CSOC effectively.
 - 3.5. **Analyze (AN)** - To perform:
 - a) Threat and Exploitation Analysis;
 - b) All-Source Analysis;
 - c) Targets Analysis.
 - 3.6. **Collect and Operate (CO)** - To perform:
 - a) Collection Operations;
 - b) Cyber Operational Planning;
 - c) Cyber Operations.

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- 3.7. **Investigate (IN)** - To perform
- a) Digital Forensic Analysis;
 - b) Application Security;
 - c) Cyber Incident Response.
4. Competitors must also have a basic knowledge and understanding of cyber security in connection with information technology (IT) in the workplace (according to the NIST NICE Cybersecurity Workforce Framework).
5. Competitors will be expected to have relevant technical skills that enable them to set up, configure, operate, maintain, and manage servers, networks, and their firewalls, including hardware (e.g., Windows servers hosting network services, Windows clients, switches, routers, firewall) to support the security of information and information systems (please refer to industry certifications listed under point (5) above).
6. Competitors will be expected to have relevant technical skills that enable them to manage users' account, configure firewall rules, and updates OS and security patches. They are responsible for access control, passwords, and account creation and administration.
7. Competitors must be resourceful and able to work and collaborate in a team of 2 members. They may be presented with several cybersecurity-related problems that may not be fully defined.

Simulation and Scenario

8. The competition scenario may require the competitors to set up, install, configure, and harden computers, servers, firewalls, networking equipment, and associated software to meet the typical tasks of a network and systems security technician/consultant.
9. The competition scenario will be divided into three distinct tasks to be carried out over a spread of three (3) days of the competition:
- 9.1. Infrastructure Setup, and Security Hardening
 - 9.2. Governance, Cybersecurity Incident Response, Digital Forensic Investigations and Application Security
 - 9.3. Capture-The-Flag (CTF) Challenge.

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10. Competitors will be assessed based on measurement (objective) marking only.
11. The assessment criteria and relative weighting of marks are as follows:

Criterion		Marks
A	Enterprise network, System protection and Oversees and Governance (PR, OV)	11.00
B	Securing Network Infrastructure (OM)	11.00
C	Linux and Windows(SP)	11.00
D	Oversee and Governance (OV)	3.00
E	Log Analysis and Visualization (AN, PR)	16.00
F	Investigate (IN,PR)	16.00
G	Attack (CO)	16.00
H	Defend (IN,PR)	16.00
Total		100

Major Tools & Materials

12. The following tools and materials will be used in the competition:

12.1. Materials

The following materials will be supplied to each competitor in the competition:

- Stationary for documentation purposes; and
- Consumables where required for the project(s).

12.2. Equipment

For hardware and software required, please refer to the hardware and software equipment list in ***Annex A – Infrastructure equipment list***.

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Annex A – Infrastructure equipment list

The equipment used during the competition might include the following. Please note that the equipment is subject to change.

- Network switches CISCO 2960 (IOS version 15 or above)
- Router (with security feature) CISCO 1941
- NIDS/NIPS
- Wireshark
- Vulnerability scanners (Nessus)
- Nmap
- Kali Linux (Kernel 4.15.0 and above)
- Splunk Enterprise (9.0 and above)
- Web application firewall
- Microsoft Server OS (2012 R2 and above)
- Microsoft Active Directory
- Microsoft Remote Access Services
- Active Directory Certificate Services
- Linux Operating System (Kali / Ubuntu Desktop / CENTOS (22.04 and above)
- Windows Operating System
- MySQL
- IDA Free
- Radare (In Sandbox)
- OllyDbg / x64dbg
- Volatility (in Kali)
- Autopsy (in Kali)
- OSSEC
- VMWare
- Web Services
- FTP Services
- Digital Forensics tools (with features similar to Proof Finder)
- Putty
- Puttygen
- Bash (4.4 and above)
- Openssh-server_7.2p2-4ubuntu2.4_
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