About EC-Council

The September 9/11 Attacks on the World Trade Center ignited a very important question in the hearts of the founders of EC–Council – Jay Bavisi and Haja Mohideen.

Shortly after the attacks, they researched the web for "Information Security" programs that would be able to provide Information Security professionals with the necessary tools and education that will help them avert a cyber war, should the need ever arise.

The results returned from the research were disappointing and that motivated them to form the International Council of Electronic Commerce Consultants, known as the EC-Council.

They soon gained the support of subject matter experts from all over the world that eventually led to the creation of various standards and certifications both in the electronic commerce and information security space.

The International Council of E-Commerce Consultants (EC-Council) is a member-based organization that certifies individuals in various e-business and security skills. It is the owner and developer of the world famous Certified Ethical Hacker course, Computer Hacking Forensics Investigator program, License Penetration Tester program and various other programs offered in over 60 countries around the globe.

These certifications are recognized worldwide and have received endorsements from various government agencies including the US Federal Government via the Montgomery GI Bill, and the US Government National Security Agency (NSA) and the Committee on National Security Systems (CNSS) certifying EC-Council Network Security Administrator (ENSA) program for meeting the 4011 training standard for information security professionals.

Individuals who have achieved EC-Council certifications include those from some of the finest organizations around the world such as the US Army, the FBI, Microsoft, IBM and the United Nations. EC-Council has also been featured in internationally acclaimed publications including The Herald Tribune, The Wall Street Journal, The Gazette and The Economic Times as well as in online publications such as the ABC News, USA Today, The Christian Science Monitor, Boston and Gulf News.

EC-Council is the creator of the Hacker Halted conference and workshop series. The world-class Hacker Halted events are held all over the world. It had been held in Singapore, Taiwan, Mexico,

Malaysia, USA and Dubai, and will be heading to many other cities in the future. Hacker Halted features renowned international speakers who are experts in the field of information security. The objective of Hacker Halted series of conferences is to raise international awareness towards increased education and ethics in information security.

Another EC-Council event series is the Security Summit which is a road-show as a platform to expose individuals in the host cities of the need for information security and to help them understand the current trends and issues in information security.

Vision

EC-Council envisions itself to be a community of common interest, where individuals converge on one platform for communication, education and knowledge sharing regardless of their specific responsibilities or abilities. The organization welcomes any individual who believes in our philosophy in creating awareness and sincerely desires to enhance their skills and that of the E-commerce circle. Administration of the philosophy is done by its members in accordance to democratic principles.

Mission Statement

EC-Council aims to:

- Foster professional standards;
- Provide for communication among all E-commerce professionals, including corporate consultants in various government agencies, businesses, and education, independent consultants, and students aspiring to be E-commerce professionals;
- Provide for education through the development of curriculum, publishing of articles and books, participation in professional papers, and the sponsoring of seminars and conferences;
- Stimulate the continued growth of the E-commerce arena by providing a forum for the raising of new ideas and an effective mechanism for dialogues on these issues;
- Provide security, legal and marketing white papers in E-commerce as well as real-time updates on the current trends in the Information Security world; and
- Provide accreditation for E-commerce certifications and training programs.