

Overcome vulnerabilities systematically



While Information Systems Security Policies are rarely adhered to in a strict manner, the policies become outdated over time. Vulnerabilities of all kinds are being reported everyday with a steady increase in network risks. APARA's Security Audit reassesses the security of computer systems, identifies new risks and offers proposals for improvement upon

the same. The APARA security audit follows the BS 7799 standards and assesses the overall security of the customer's network and IT infrastructure.

Tough Security Measures

APARA's Security Audit delves into the core areas of an organization's weaknesses and strengths to achieve the following objectives.

- ▶ Determine a general level of compliance with the firm's existing security policies and procedures
- ▶ Identify areas of weakness within your technology environment
- ▶ Provide recommendations to address these weaknesses
- ▶ Help to establish an audit trail to determine the location of security-related events

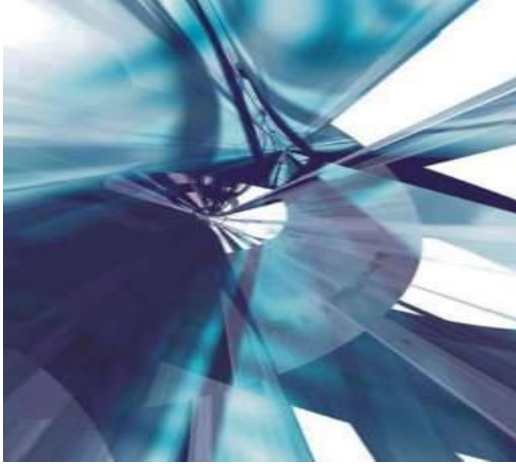
Business Drivers

- ▶ External security audit has many advantages over in-house testing, such as having a team of experts armed with proven best practices or entire methodologies dedicated to current security matters

- ▶ Equipped with a suite of security auditing products instead of a single commercial tool
- ▶ An objective baseline and changes on a periodic basis, having a trusted security partner to turn to as issues arise
- ▶ The ability to meet industry requirements for objective third party auditing

Critical Customer Issues

- ▶ Inability to protect information from a wide range of threats
- ▶ Inability to curtail loss of production
- ▶ Inability to hold back replacement costs of stolen or damaged data / equipment
- ▶ Inability to offer compensation as payments for unachievable contractual obligations
- ▶ Inability to improve customer confidence
- ▶ Inability to stop adverse publicity



APARA's Security Audit looks at the existence and adequacy of controls to ensure that the associated risks are effectively managed in order to meet the Corporate overall goals and objectives

Comprehensive Services that mitigate risks

APARA's offers you a complete range of features that make your Audit - right from the diagnosis to its implementation - a winner all the way. Some of the features include:

Pre-Audit Preparation: APARA reviews your existing network documentation, office policies and procedures, previous security audit reports and interviews your technology staff. This provides an initial picture of your how your systems are set up and secured and how they work both functionally and procedurally.

Assessment & Review: APARA's Assessment & Review begins with a security briefing to review various aspects of technology security ▶ Establishing a framework for understanding of issues and trade-offs associated with technology security ▶ Receiving an organization's overall stance on technology security ▶ Some of them include: Administrative Policies and Practices, Physical security, Network Security, Vulnerability Scanning, Intrusion Detection Snapshot, Servers, Workstations, Remote Communications, User/Group/ Password Security and Data Security.

Analysis: APARA reviews and analyzes all the collected data and reports including audit checklists, vulnerability reports, interview notes, etc. and compares it to your existing policies and desired level of security.

Report:

- ▶ The current state of your information security systems for your organization.
- ▶ Existing vulnerabilities for your network and recommendations for their elimination
- ▶ Policy analysis and recommendations
- ▶ System related recommendations
- ▶ Logs/Reports

Key Benefits

The APARA security team of certified professionals well qualified in tools, processes, technologies, training, and experience enables APARA offer you a string of benefits.

- ▶ Provides a blueprint of weaknesses so you can see where the threats are, how serious they are, and prioritize the action steps to remove them
- ▶ Delivers the recommendations to remove or mitigate the risk exposures
- ▶ Reduces the likelihood of a security breach before it occurs
- ▶ In-depth assessment to strengthen the customer Infrastructure

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