



ASOCIACIÓN ESPAÑOLA PARA EL FOMENTO
DE LA SEGURIDAD DE LA INFORMACIÓN



What is ISMS Forum Spain?

The Spanish Association for the Advancement of Information Security, ISMS Forum Spain, is a non-profit organization founded in January 2007, **to foster improved Information Security in Spain**. In addition, the ISMS Forum Spain is the Spanish Chapter of the **ISMS International User Group (IUG)**, an organization that promotes world-wide knowledge-sharing on the implementation of Information Security Management Systems, in accordance with ISO 27000 standards.

Vision:

“Spanish companies, institutions and professionals have implemented in majority the best practices as recommended by ISMS Forum Spain, which at the same time is the major study and debate platform where these entities share their experiences and opinions on Information Security”.

Mission:

“The principal objective of ISMS Forum Spain is to foster the development, knowledge and culture of Information Security in Spain, through the creation of a point of encounter where professionals and public and private organizations, profit or non-profit, generate and share knowledge, initiatives, experiences, and opinions on Information Security, both national as international.

Our values:

- **Independence:** ISMS Forum Spain will take its decisions, valuations and actions based on analyses made by the association, without being influenced by particular interests of its members, collaborating organizations or sponsors.
- **Neutrality:** ISMS Forum Spain will always keep out of any kind of disagreement, discrepancy or argument, between its members. Also, it will not give any recommendations or valuations regarding producers, solutions, products or product development.
- **Objectivity:** Decisions, valuations and actions of ISMS Forum Spain will be based on objective and verifiable facts en figures, obtained and/or collected from known and reliable sources, and in transparent conditions, with the objective of being able to be contrasted by third parties beyond ISMS Forum Spain.
- **Quality and professional rigor:** ISMS Forum Spain is committed to quality in the execution of its activities and initiatives, as well as a clear vocation for professional rigor, understood here as its sense of responsibility, accuracy and exactness in its workand projects that it develops.

ISMS Forum Spain is registered with the National Register of Associations, Group I, Section I, National Identification Number 588718 (Registro Nacional de Asociaciones, Grupo I, Sección I, Número Nacional 588718) and Fiscal ID number (CIF) G-84994888; The Association's headquarters are located at Juan Bravo 3A, Madrid, Spain.

We invite you to visit our website, www.ismsforum.es, where you will find a wealth of additional information as well as all the latest news from the Association.

Founding Members

ISMS Forum Spain was launched by some of the most well-known companies and organizations in Spain and abroad, all of whom share a fundamental commitment to information security management. These founding members carry out their business activities in a myriad of arenas, representing fields as diverse as Higher Education, Research & Development and Consulting. Likewise, the Forum's membership comprises a breadth of sectors that includes Banking, Certification, Insurance, Construction, Legal Services and Telecommunications.



Notwithstanding the diversity of its current members, ISMS Forum Spain has been created for the pursuit of **plural, open and neutral communication** and with the overriding aim to represent and to serve all sectors involved in information security management. As such, we invite all professionals, companies and institutions involved in information security management to become members.

Members

After being one and a half year in operation, ISMS Forum Spain has attracted **95 member companies** (each with up to as many as 8 fully-fledged members). In addition, a large number of industry experts has joined the Association as independent members. As a result, ISMS Forum Spain currently has over **500 professional members**, linked either on the basis of individual initiative or as employees of member companies. As such, the Association for the Advancement of Information Security is already the largest active network of SGSI experts in Spain.

The updated list with member companies and professional members can be consulted on our website: www.ismsforum.es/miembros_asociados.php

Clearly, the formation of this Association has been extremely well-received by all of the professionals involved in this arena (including, among others, suppliers, clients, academics and researchers, as well as the industry's media professionals). We therefore hope that our membership will continue to expand even further over the months to come.

Objetives and Activities

The main **objectives** of ISMS Forum Spain are:

- To raise the **visibility** of a sector that is of **strategic importance** to economic development, i.e. Information Security Management and to allow the proliferation of talent of those professionals working in this sector.
- To position Spanish companies and organizations at the **forefront of the industry** in terms of SGSI knowledge and implementation.
- To serve as **spokespersons** in Spain for the various associations and international forums dealing with Information Security Management.

To achieve these objectives, ISMS Forum Spain engages in, among others, the following **activities**:

- Organizing **events** (one-day and extended conferences) and providing **professional development training** (courses and seminars) for its members.
- Producing and/or translating into Spanish relevant **working tools and informative pieces** (newsletters, reports, monographs).
- Creating the first **Registry of Certified Professionals** in Spain.
- Participating in **international forums** and cooperating with public and private institutions, both nationally and abroad, with the aim of promoting a culture toward greater awareness and advancement of Information Security Management in Spain.

Members are entitled to attend all ISMS Forum Spain-sponsored events (including conferences) **free of charge**. The aim is to facilitate member participation to the greatest degree possible and to ensure that the work carried out by the ISMS Forum Spain is accessible and provides value-added professional development to all its members. ISMS Forum Spain covers the costs of its activities thanks to the **sponsorship and cooperation from companies within the industry**.

Institutional Agreements

By forming the Association as the **Spanish Chapter of the ISMS IUG**, members benefit from a far-reaching network of international contacts. To further facilitate members access to this network, the ISMS Forum Spain has signed collaboration agreements with other national and international institutions such as **BCI (Business Continuity Institute)**, **ASIMELEC** and its foundation, **FUNCOAS**, **FIDE Foundation**, **ISSA Spain**, **Open Compliance and Ethics Group (OCEG, USA)**, and the public body, **INTECO (the National Institute for Communication Technology)**.

Gold Sponsors

ISMS Forum Spain carries out its functions thanks to the generous support – financial, logistical and professional – of the following companies, all of whom are **GOLD SPONSORS**:



...as well as many other companies who provide specific support for ISMS Forum activities.

International Conferences ISMS Forum Spain

ISMS Forum Spain organizes at least **two international conferences a year**. From the outset, these conferences have become ‘must attend events’ within the industry because they provide members with an appropriate forum for continuing education and to share their experiences. The explicit aim of these conferences is to provide the context **for high level speakers** to come into contact with the Association’s members, **to facilitate networking among members**, and to include **international representation**.

The scheduling of these events is organized in such a way as to allow the delegates free time to meet, speak and network among themselves and, in addition, to allow members time for asides with the speakers, to address any doubts or to engage in further dialogue.

I International Conference: 17 May 2007

The first of the Association’s international conferences took place at the Reina Sofia Museum in Madrid and it was at this opening event that the Association made its formal inauguration to the public. The Conference’s theme was **“Information Security Management: State of the Art and Challenges from a Global Perspective”**. More than **200 professionals** attended and were exposed to speakers whose aims was to provide a worldwide overview of the current state of information security management implementation, and to explore the challenges and trends specific to Spain in the years to come.

Artemi Rallo, the director of the Spanish Agency for Data Protection inaugurated the event, which boasted a list of distinguished speakers, including the Assistant Director of the International Register of Certified Auditors (IRCA), **Vincent Desmond**, **Luis Jiménez**, Assistant Managing Director for the National Center for Cryptology (CNI) and the Assistant Managing Director of the Information Services Society (Servicios de la Sociedad de la Información), **Salvador Soriano**.

Ecija, **Esa Security**, **Ernst & Young**, **FCC**, **GMV**, **HP**, **LRQA**, **Morse**, **Grupo SIA**, **Steria**, **S21sec** and **Symantec** were sponsor of the First International Conference.



First International Conference

II International Conference: 20 November 2007

260 industry professionals representing **108 companies and institutions** attended the Association’s Second International Conference on **“Information Security: A Question of Social Corporate Responsibility”** which took place at the Palacio Municipal de Congresos y Exposiciones in Madrid. Speakers were among other **Enrique Martínez**, Director of the National Institute for Communication Technology (INTECO); **Bruce Schneier**, one of the most renowned experts worldwide on information security, Founder and Chief Technical Officer of BT Counterpane; **Meng-Chow Kang**, Vice President of RAISE Forum (Regional Asia Information Security Exchange Forum) and Chief Executive & Privacy Advisor of Microsoft Greater China



Region; **Félix Bonet**, Director of Investments for the Generali Group Spain; **Enrique Polanco**, Assistant to the Managing Director and Director of Business Security for the PRISA Group; **Javier López-Galiacho**, Director of Corporate Social Responsibility for FCC; **Joaquín Reyes Vallejo**, CIO at CEPSA; **Avelino Brito**, Assistant Managing Director at AENOR and **Pablo de Vera**, Director of Business Continuity for BBVA.

This Second International Conference of ISMS Forum Spain counted with the sponsoring of **Accenture, Esa Security, FCC, HP, IBM, Microsoft, SGS, SIA Group and Symantec** and with the collaboration of **INTECO**.



Second International Conference

III International Conference: 29 May 2008

The theme of this conference was **Compliance in Information Security**, attracted about **260 professionals representing 113 companies** and took place in the Hotel Husa in the Madrid city centre. To name a few highlights, most interesting presentations were held by **Pierre Noel** (Worldwide Information Security & Risk Management Evangelist at IBM Corp, **Thomas Raschke** (Senior Analyst at Forrester), **Scott Mitchell** (CEO and Chair of the Open Compliance and Ethics Group), **Enrique Martínez**, director of INTECO, Ricard Martínez of the Spanish Data Protection Agency and the conference was closed by a presentation on leadership and communication skills by IESE professor **Santiago Álvarez de Mon**. Case studies were presented by companies like Endesa, Citibank and ING Real Estate.

The attendees were highly satisfied with the conference and awarded it in the evaluation with a score of 4 (range from 1 to 5).

Sponsors of this conference were **Accenture, Dintel Foundation, Ecija, Ernst&Young, ESA Security, FCC, HP, IBM, S21sec, SGS, Steria, Symantec and Telefónica**, and we counted with the special collaboration of **INTECO**.



Third International Conference

IV International Conference: 13 November 2008

ISMS Forum Spain's latest International Conference took place on the 13th of November 2008 at one of the most emblematic buildings in **Barcelona: Agbar Tower**. About 270 professionals discussed together with high level speakers the most important internal and external **Information Security Threats** for companies and organizations. Key note speaker was **Howard Schmidt**, former White House advisor on Cyber security and global chair of ISSA. **Cormac Callanan**, Council of Europe consultant on Cyber Crime for Ireland spoke on EU regulations and jurisdiction in this field and **Chris Kenworthy**, senior vicepresident of McAfee focused on the risk of personal data and costs to businesses. Information Security executives of several Spanish companies and institutions, among others **Telefónica, National Police, Gas Natural, PayPal**, presented case studies and participated in debates.

Again, ISMS Forum Spain received positive feedback from the attendees, the conference was highly valued in the evaluation forms. The conference was made possible thanks to the special collaboration of **INTECO** and the sponsoring by **Accenture, Agbar, Dintel Foundation, Ernst&Young, HP, IBM, McAfee, Panda Security, S21sec, Sia, Symantec** and **Telefónica**.



Fourth International Conference

Our next event: Fifth International Conference 28 May 2009

The Fifth International Conference of ISMS Forum Spain will take place on the 28th of May 2009 at the emblematic building of Mutua Madrileña in the Business heart of Madrid, Paseo de la Castellana 33. The subject matter will concern the most apt organizational structure of Information Security Management, with special attention for the role of the CISO and an analysis of the added value to business.



Who should join the ISMS Forum Spain?

- Any **institution, company or organization**, whether from the public or private sector, that works in the arena of Information Security Management. In addition, all organizations, institutions and companies who currently use or are considering implementing the ISO 27000 standards.
- All **professionals** working in the sector and/or who have responsibilities with regard to the planning, development, implementation, maintenance or auditing of information security management systems.

What benefits does membership confer?

- To become part of a **large, international community of professionals and companies** who are involved, either directly or indirectly, in the development and implementation of information security management.
- To **share experiences** and perspectives with SGSI professionals who carry out their functions for corporations, public administrations, universities and research centers, other associations and companies representing the entire gamut of sectors.
- Access, **free of charge**, to public acts and events sponsored by the ISMS Forum Spain, space-permitting and as long as the member confirms his wish to attend through the appropriate channels.
- **Preferential treatment** in accessing the training sessions and events (courses, seminars, etc.), that the ISMS Forum Spain organizes (including preferential reservations and discounts).
- **Individuals** who currently hold one or more certifications (**CISM, CISA, CISSP, L.A. ISO 27001, etc**) will be entitled to enlist in the **Spanish Register of Certified Professionals**, with the option to have their contact details made available in the marketplace.
- Receive the Association's **Newsletter**, as well as the conclusions of all ISMS Forum-commissioned research and reports.

Please note: ISMS Forum Spain prohibits members from using the Association for commercial purposes, either for an individual's or corporation's benefit. It is acceptable for members to contract one another for specific services or to share or purchase commercially valuable information, as long as this activity remains outside of the Association's domain.

What is the cost of joining?

The annual membership fee for **institutions, companies and organizations** is **500 €**. This fee entitles the entity to nominate a maximum of **8 fully-fledged members** from among their staff. There is an alternative plan available designed for large corporations and business groups: for an annual membership fee of **1000€**, these entities will be entitled to nominate up to **24 fully-fledged members** from among their staff.

The annual membership fee for Individuals joining as **professional members** is **60 €**

To join the ISMS Forum Spain, you will need to complete the application form **online** at www.ismsforum.es

Governance Bodies

Assembly

The Assembly is the body with final decision-making power and where ultimate governance responsibility for the Association rests. It is made up by the entirety of the Association's members. It meets at **least once a year** on an ordinary basis, and on an extraordinary basis if the Board of Directors calls such a meeting, an initiative in due form, or by petition of at least 10% of the members. **Each member has one vote.** The Assembly adopts agreements by majority vote of those present and represented.

During the General Assembly, the Association's Balance Sheet, Income and Expenditure Statements and previous year's Annual Report are examined and, if appropriate, approved. Likewise, the Association's budget is examined and the membership fees required for continued activity in the following year are examined and agreed.

Board of Directors

This is the Association's representative and administrative body. Its remit includes carrying out the acts and granting the necessary and appropriate contracts for the proper functioning of the Association and to bring to fruition the aims that the Association was created to achieve.

The Board is made of the **President, Vicepresident, Secretary, Undersecretary** and Association **Members**. The Board allows a maximum of 15 representatives, appointed, by secret ballot voting, from among the Association's membership. Board members receive no income whatsoever associated with their participation on the Board of Directors.

Current Board of Directors

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