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New ISSA International Management

Jennifer Hunt: Executive Director

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ISSA Central MD Non-Member Policy

The Board of Directors is making changes to the policy for non-members attendance beginning 1st Quarter 2024

- ISSA Central MD Membership Meetings.
- \$10.00 non-members (in-person or remote)
- Pay on-line at time of registration or at the door
- More details to come!

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Meeting Location:

New location: ??????

New Times: ??????

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Certification Continuing Education Units

Responsibility of each member to submit their CEUs

Certificate of Attendance available upon request

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ISSA Special Interest Groups

<https://www.members.issa.org/general/custom.asp?page=ISSASpecialInterestGroups>

ISSA has many opportunities for members to form and participate in global initiatives and working groups. As a member, you can choose to be active in one or more of these Special Interest Groups (SIG).

Women in Security Special Interest Groups

Mission: Develop global women leaders and build a stronger community to create a compelling environment around cybersecurity and technology.

Privacy Special Interest Group (SIG)

This group is dedicated to providing privacy relevant topics to security professionals through thought leadership and a knowledge-sharing platform. The Privacy SIG will be hosting quarterly webinars and providing concise and timely privacy-related information.

Cyber Resilience Special Interest Group (SIG)

Mission: Build a global community of Cyber Resilience professionals in order to share actionable best practices to protect our organizations from cyber-attacks on high value assets.

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CISSP Study Group

Convergent Federal | 6650 Eli Whitney Dr | Suite 105 | Columbia, MD 21046
Tuesday, February 20, 2024 - Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (EST)

Gain credibility as a security expert.

Become a more marketable/hirable candidate.

Become/remain contractually compliant (DoD 8570.01 Manual / DoDD 8140)

Improve IT security skills and enhancing productivity.

Relaxed pace – rather than the “fire hose” effect, offered one night a week over 14 weeks.

Offered in your local area/virtually. No travel, lodging costs, or time lost from work/family.

Meals are included each night for in-person sessions*

Cost: just \$450 (+ EventBrite Fees → approximately \$29.02)

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- **Fortinet - Advanced training for security professionals, Technical training for IT professionals, and Awareness training for teleworkers:**
<https://www.fortinet.com/training/cybersecurity-professionals.html>
- **Cambridge - Software and Security Engineering:**
<https://www.cl.cam.ac.uk/teaching/1920/SWSecEng/materials.html>
- **Palo Alto Network - Free Cybersecurity Education for ALL:** <https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/free-cybersecurity-education-all-florian-buijs/>
- **6 Free Cybersecurity Training and Awareness Courses:**
<https://www.darkreading.com/threat-intelligence/6-free-cybersecurity-training-and-awareness-courses/d/d-id/1337781>
- **Cybrary Makes 500+ Hours of Premium Training Content Free to Address Cybersecurity Skills Shortage:** <https://www.cybrary.it/blog/500-hours-free-content-to-address-cybersecurity-skills-shortage/>

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- 2. [Cybersecurity Essentials](#)
- 3. [Networking Essentials](#)
- 4. [Intro to Information Security](#)
- 5. [Network Security](#)
- 6. [NSE 1,2 & 3](#)
- 7. [Information Security](#)
- 8. [Network Security](#)
- 9. [Risk Management](#)
- 10. [Certified in Cybersecurity](#)
- 11. [CCNA Security Courses](#)
- 12. [Network Defense Essentials \(NDE\)](#)
- 13. [Ethical Hacking Essentials \(EHE\)](#)
- 14. [Digital Forensics Essentials \(DFE\)](#)
- 15. [Dark Web, Anonymity, and Cryptocurrency](#)
- 16. [Digital Forensics by Open Learn](#)
- 17. [AWS Cloud Certifications \(Cybersecurity\)](#)
- 18. [Microsoft Learn for Azure](#)
- 19. [Google Cloud Training](#)
- 20. [Android Bug Bounty Hunting: Hunt Like a Rat](#)
- 21. [Vulnerability Management](#)
- 22. [Software Security](#)
- 23. [Developing Secure Software](#)
- 24. [PortSwigger Web Hacking](#)
- 25. [RedTeaming](#)
- 26. [Splunk](#)
- 27. [Secure Software Development](#)
- 28. [Maryland Software Security](#)
- 29. [Cyber Threat Intelligence](#)

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Upcoming Summits



Summit & Training events provide an immersive training experience that arms attendees with deep-knowledge and actionable information and has a lasting impact on their careers and their organization's security programs. <https://www.sans.org/cyber-security-summit>

Event	Location	Dates
<u>Cyber Threat Intelligence Summit & Training 2024</u>	Washington, DC & Virtual	Summit: Jan 29-30 Training: Jan 31 - Feb 5
<u>OSINT Summit & Training 2024</u>	Arlington, VA & Virtual	Summit: Feb 29 - Mar1 Training: Mar 2-7
<u>New2Cyber Summit & Training</u>	Virtual	Summit: April 4 Training: April 8-13
Cybersecurity Leadership Summit	Virtual	Summit: Thursday, May 16
Ransomware Summit	Virtual	Summit: Friday, May 31
ICS Security Summit & Training	Orlando, FL & Virtual	Day 0: June 16 Summit: June 17-18 Training: June 19-24
Neurodiversity in Cybersecurity Summit	Virtual	Summit: Thursday, June 27
SSA Managing Human Risk Summit 2024	Norfolk, VA & Virtual	Summit: Jul 29-Aug 7

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ISSA Central MD 2023 Meetings and Events

Date	Speaker	Organization	Topic
January 24, 2024	Danielle Spencer		Privacy and The Rule of Law In The Digital Age
February 28, 2024	Nik Pruthi	NikSun	Cybersecurity, Compliance and Network Infrastructure Operations - Redefined
March 27, 2027	Amy Hamilton		
April 24, 2024			
May 22, 2024	Phillip Payne	Cybersecurity & Information Systems Information Analysis Centers (CSIAC)	Jumpstarting your Research with the DoD Cybersecurity & Information Systems Information Analysis Centers (CSIAC)
June 26, 2024			

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Nik Pruthi

President & CFO of NIKSUN, Inc.

Nik Pruthi is the current President & CFO of NIKSUN, Inc. NIKSUN is the world leader in end-to-end Cybersecurity, Network Performance Management (NPM), and Application Performance Management (APM) solutions. Founded in 1997, the company secures the infrastructure of thousands of customers, including the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) and military agencies, U.S. Department of State (DoS), Fortune 500 enterprises across every industry, service providers, and more.

Nik graduated with a Juris Doctor as a David M. Rubenstein scholar and member of the Doctoroff Business Leadership Program from The University of Chicago Law School. He is also a member of the State Bar of California.

His prior experience includes working as a Management Consultant at Bain & Company, where he oversaw several strategy and transformation projects at Fortune 500 firms as well as dozens of Private Equity deals. He has also led an investment team at VestedWorld, a global Venture Capital firm focused on mid-stage startups, and served as a strategic and financial advisor for several companies to navigate the global COVID-19 pandemic.

Nik is now leading NIKSUN's transformation to a hybrid and cloud environment, effectively bringing the powerful NIKSUN technology to the rest of America. On the request of federal and state administration, he has spearheaded the creation of a revolutionary new comprehensive cybersecurity and network-to-application management platform that allows small and medium-sized businesses to leverage the same technology that secures the U.S. DoD in their infrastructure. Recognized as one of the foremost thought-leaders in the industry, he is a frequent speaker at various institutes and closed-door events.

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Cybersecurity, Compliance and Network Infrastructure Operations - Redefined

In his speech, Nik Pruthi will highlight how every organization – whether small, medium, or large – can redefine their operations to support their ability to scale to greater heights. The talk will address a solution to the increasing problem every organization has today: attempting to manage, operate, and scale a disjointed and disunified architecture consisting of a multiplicity of varied networks (WAN, LAN, Data Centers, Cloud Services, Internet Communications, Service Mesh, and more). He will discuss how organizations can move to a next-generation unified architecture to modernize their infrastructure and ensure secure and stable growth.

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January 24, 2024 **Danielle Spencer**

Danielle Spencer, author, protector of freedom, a privacy rights Advocate, and U.S. Federal Government whistleblower. I am a senior leader with over 20 years of experience focused on business, finance, and acquisition management. I am a change agent, transforming and improving business operations and processes. I have two Masters degrees in Business Administration and Information Systems, and a Bachelor of Science degree in Medical and Research Technology and am certified in Information Assurance (cybersecurity) and Project Management.

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PRIVACY AND THE RULE OF LAW IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Have you ever had the microphone on your cell phone turn on, by itself, when you're having conversations, or, review your tax transcripts and see that someone has electronically sent forms to your tax account, or, been told by a credit company that they were closing your accounts based on false information provided by a credit reporting bureau – only for the credit reporting bureau to say they never sent that information, or learn that a government agency provided personal and private information about you to another entity? Well, I have. After becoming a Whistleblower, I experienced these and many other acts that I believe were in response to me being a Whistleblower. For each of these events to occur, I believe that my right to Privacy and the Rule of Law had to be violated. How does Democracy survive when these types of Technology and Cybersecurity threats are allowed and there are no laws or rules in place to hold people accountable. Technology is advancing rapidly; the law and policy aren't. Not only do Cybersecurity and Privacy field experts need to be aware of the various techniques available that can be used to violate our Constitutional Right to Privacy, and stress the Rule of Law, but so do everyday citizens. If we, US Citizens, do not make IT and government officials aware of these evolving threats, no one will be protected. My experience as a whistleblower has opened my eyes to these items.

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