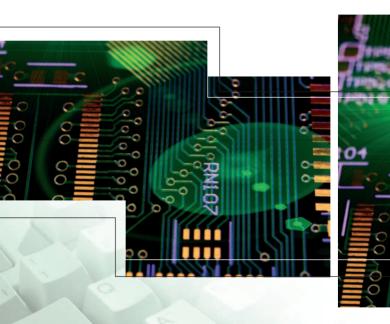
Australian IT Security Forum



Committed to Australia's IT security

The Forum aims to enhance Australian industry opportunities and capabilities in the information security market by promoting a wider appreciation of the economic, strategic and political importance of secure communications in the national and international arena.

Its mission is to promote information security within Australia, through the development of associated technologies, capabilities and services, and to advance the Australian security industry internationally.

Objectives

- Develop a rational and appropriate IT security standard framework and regulatory environment
- Facilitation of national information security training program for commercial and private educational bodies
- Develop and promote international links supporting trade, commerce and best practice in security technologies
- Development and promotion of appropriate accreditation for security professionals
- Increase engagement with all levels of government to identify security technologies and capabilities that will facilitate achievement of the policy imperatives of national/homeland security
- Position AITSF as first port of call for government on all information security issues
- Position AITSF as the industry organisation of first choice for information security providers



Strategies

- Undertake gap analysis of current regulatory and standards environment to identify obstacles to information security implementation
- Establish and resource AITSF Focus
 Groups to clarify specific problem areas
 and propose appropriate solutions
- Publish and disseminate industry recommendations for reform of regulatory, standards and education environment in accordance with AITSF Mission and Aims
- Ensure high-level and appropriate representation in AITSF from all relevant stakeholders

Benefits

- Industry gains knowledge of market needs for information security and is better able to apply resources and capabilities to support and advise on those needs
- Industry gains a unified voice nationally and internationally
- Information security domain gains professional and appropriate source of information on security capabilities and experience in Australia and internationally.