

2025

Cyber Career Symposium

19 March 2025 | 9.30am - 4.30pm

Canberra Rex Hotel

Event Program & Exhibitor Guide

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the ACT, the Ngunnawal people.

We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of this city and this region.



WELCOME

Cyber security is one of the fastest-growing industries, and it needs skilled professionals from all backgrounds. Canberra is the nation's capital for cyber security, with government, defence, AFP and local cyber companies all right here. No matter what field you're currently in, the Cyber Career Symposium will demystify cyber careers and pathways and showcase why Canberra is the place to live and work in cyber.

EVENT SCHEDULE

Time	Agenda Item
9.30am	Expo opens
High School Session	
10.00am	Hands on Activity Explore Cyber Careers with CyberCX
10.30am	Panel Session Hack Your Future – How to Start a Career in Cyber?
11.30am	Hands on Activity A Day in the Life of a Cyber Security Specialist with Tech Council Australia and Microsoft
Tertiary and Graduate Session	
12.30pm	Hands on Activity Map your Cyber Career with Lumify
1.00pm	Panel Session From Campus to Cyber: Practical Experience and Career Pathways
1.30pm	Hands on Activity Introduction to Web Application Reconnaissance with Irradiate Security
Career Transitioner Session	
2.30pm	Hands on Activity Protect Your Front Door with Securus Consulting Group
3.00pm	Panel Session Your Second Act - A Practical Guide to Transitioning to a Career in Cyber
4.00pm	Hands on Activity Get into Governance, Risk and Compliance with Cyconsol
4.30pm	Event concludes

PANEL SESSIONS

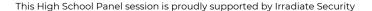
10:30am - 11:00am

Hack your future – How to start a career in Cyber?

Irradiate Security is an Australian based small business that specialises in technical assurance services. We are passionate about security and believe that the best way to protect our digital assets is through regularly testing deployed defences. Our aim is to assist other Australian organisations to uplift their security posture and achieve the Australian Governments vision of becoming the most cyber secure nation in the world.

PANELLISTS

- Annie-Mei Forster, Securus Consulting Group
- Matt Belverdere. Proactive Labs
- Ender Beer, Belconnen High School
- Kate Hanbury, Australian Federal Police
- Zorika Horval, Cyconsol



1:00pm - 1:30pm

From Campus to Cyber – Practical experience and career pathways

Vital Learning Edge is a provider of quality training solutions for business and government, dedicated to empowering individuals and organisations to excel. Our expert trainers with over 25 years of training experience, are actively working in their fields—ensuring that every course is relevant, current and impactful. We offer a range of internationally recognised certification training courses, along with industry-standard trainings designed to enhance your capabilities. VLE courses are enriched with real-world examples and anecdotes, providing participants with a solid understanding of practical applications.

PANELLISTS

- Cebita Santhosh, CyberCX
- Eloise Robertson, AWSN
- Ella Swift, University of Canberra
- Andrew Slater, Ionize
- · Jade Boreta, Microsoft



This Tertiary and Graduate Panel session is proudly supported by Vital Learning Edge

PANEL SESSIONS

3:00pm - 3:30pm

Your Second Act – A practical guide to transitioning to a career in cyber

Viden Labs is a highly accredited cyber security consultancy. Based in Canberra, but with team members across Melbourne, Sydney, Newcastle and Brisbane, Viden provides a range of traditional GRC auditing, PENTEST, IRAP and Network Engineering services, through to more specialist Certification & Accreditation (C&A), Authority to Operate and Common Criteria evaluation or accreditation services.

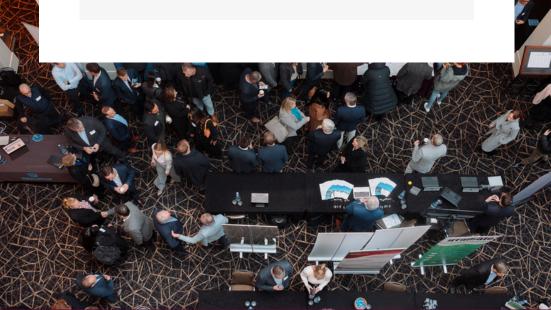
PANELLISTS

- Iain Dickson, Leidos
- Mohamad Alrajab, Modern42
- Malisa Lengyel, SimplySecOps
- FLTLT Theresa Sobb. Defence
- Tania Ezra. Microsoft



The Career Transitioner Panel session is proudly supported by Viden

Following the panel sessions, there will be the opportunity to engage with panellists further at their exhibition booth.



HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES

10.00am - 10.30am

Explore Cyber Careers with CyberCX

HIGH SCHOOL SESSION



Explore cyber careers with CyberCX. Experience tools of the trades from industry experts and discover the skills you'll need to take on your journey into the technology careers of the future.

11.30am - 12.00pm

A Day in the Life of a Cyber Security Specialist with Tech Council Australia and Microsoft





HIGH SCHOOL SESSION

Experience a day in the life of a Cyber Security Specialist with Tech Council Australia and Microsoft through the Virtual Work Experience program. Challenge yourself with problems faced by industry and discover if you have what it takes to keep Australia secure.

12:30pm – 1:00pm

Map your Cyber Career with Lumify



TERTIARY AND GRADUATE SESSION

Finished or soon to finish your degree? Not sure what the next steps of your cyber journey may look like? Join training provider - Lumify as they help you map out the next steps of your professional development. Take home vital information on how your skills can help you succeed in your cyber career journey.

HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES

1.30pm - 2.00pm

Introduction to Web Application Reconnaissance with Irradiate Security



TERTIARY AND GRADUATE SESSION

Join Irradiate Security for a hands-on workshop on web application reconnaissance! Learn how security researchers, penetration tester and ethical hackers gather intelligence on web applications using open-source tools. We'll explore essential techniques for mapping and understanding web applications before testing, using some of the most popular tools in the industry. Perfect for beginners interested in cyber security, web development, or anyone curious about how websites work behind the scenes. Bring a laptop and your curiosity!

2.30pm - 3.00pm

Protecting your Front Door with Securus Consulting Group



CAREER TRANSITIONER SESSION

Your weakest link in your cyber security might just be your front door! Learn from Securus Consulting Group the cross over of physical security and cyber security. Discover the tools of the trade cyber criminals, or penetration testers, employ to access systems and how to protect against them. Hear from an expert as they tell you about their career pathway into cyber security.

4.00pm - 4.30pm

Get into Governance, Risk, and Compliance with Cyconsol



CAREER TRANSITIONER SESSION

Join the team from Cyconsol for this workshop on Governance, Risk and Compliance (GRC). Learn about the CIA triad and the importance of identifying assets in case of a cyber threat. Bring along an electronic device and get hands-on with this essential cyber role for all businesses.

CYBER BUSINESSES

Aristotle Metadata

www.aristotlemetadata.com



Aristotle Metadata is a data-focused solutions provider that provides cloud hosted metadata infrastructure to government agencies and educational institutes globally. Aristotle Metadata integrated services include managed cloud hosting and commercial support for the Aristotle Metadata Registry and Tablion Data Portal, as well as providing metadata migration services and metadata governance consulting.

Castlepoint Systems

www.castlepoint.systems



Castlepoint is an Artificial Intelligence solution used and trusted by government and commercial organisations to apply cutting-edge technology to resolve the long-standing, intractable problems of eDiscovery, compliance, cyber security, records management, and to overcome the limitations of traditional records systems.

CyberCX

cybercx.com.au

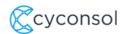


CyberCX is the leading provider of professional cyber security and cloud services across Australia and New Zealand. With a workforce of over 1,300 professionals, we are a trusted partner to private and public sector organisations helping our customers confidently manage cyber risk, respond to incidents and build resilience in an increasingly complex and challenging threat environment.

CYBER BUSINESSES

Cyconsol Pty Ltd

www.cyconsol.com



Cyconsol is an Australian-based professional services provider specialising in cyber security and ICT-related business consulting and training services. The company focuses on providing advice and support to businesses using methods and approaches that have a real, positive effect on their security and risk profile. Cyconsol is known for its independence, implementing the best tools and strategies based on client needs, and ensuring quality through strict management processes. The company is recognised as a trusted advisor, providing tailored advice and solutions to enhance clients' cyber security posture and overall business operations. Cyconsol's consultants are highly capable practitioners who apply their joint knowledge and experience practically to security problems. The company is actively involved in international committees working on the development of the next generation of standards, methodologies, and curriculums. Cyconsol is dedicated to quality, constantly evolving to extend its capabilities and improve service delivery.

Fujitsu

www.fujitsu.com/au/services/security



At Fujitsu Cyber, we take a pragmatic approach, prioritising our people and their expertise to deliver exceptional service.

Introducing a suite of services and capabilities unparalleled in the industry. Fujitsu Cyber is designed to offer comprehensive solutions ranging from strategy and roadmap development, virtual CISO services, information security management, to advanced threat intelligence and rapid response mechanisms.

Ionize

www.ionize.com.au



Ionize is one of Australia's leading cyber security consultancy and managed services providers. Founded in 2008 by our CEO and Managing Director, Andrew Muller, and securely head quartered in Canberra, we are proudly sovereign. We have built a strong reputation over 15 years with a diverse range of private and public enterprises by carefully but pragmatically improving their cyber resilience, utilising our proven methodology across the full spectrum of cyber security services.

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Irradiate Security

irradiate.com.au



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Leidos

www.leidos.com



Leidos is a Fortune 500®company working to solve the world's toughest challenges in government, intelligence, defence, aviation, border protection and health markets. Leidos Australia's 2000 local experts, backed by our global experience and network of partners, deliver solutions that save lives and help secure Australia. Leidos is a large scale prime systems integrator. We deliver complex software and systems integration projects, by providing teams of people to build applications or solutions for our customers to solve their most complex problems and we do this through the use of science, engineering and technology.

Microsoft

www.microsoft.com



Microsoft's mission is to empower every person and every organization to achieve more. We believe technology can and should be a force for good and that meaningful innovation contributes to a brighter world in the future and today. Our culture doesn't just encourage curiosity; it embraces it. Each day we make progress together by showing up as our authentic selves. We show up with a learn-it-all mentality. We show up cheering on others, knowing their success doesn't diminish our own. We show up every day open to learning our own biases, changing our behavior, and inviting in differences. Because impact matters. Microsoft operates in 190 countries and is made up of approximately 228,000 passionate employees worldwide.

CYBER BUSINESSES

Opes Cyber Security

opescyber.com.au



Opes Cyber Security (Opes) is a veteran-owned and operated cyber security consultancy established in 2020, providing innovative cyber and intelligence offerings to the Australian market. Opes provides three core functions to market: Cyber Services (including Secure System builds, GRC & E8 assessment and uplift), Analytics Services (Open-Source Intelligence), and Consultancy Services (ICT and Cyber Security Consultancy).

Penten

www.penten.com



Penten is an Australian owned Defence technology company that is dedicated to strengthening our nation's security and prosperity through new and innovative technology. Our mission is to deliver cutting-edge security technologies that protect those that protect us. Penten was founded in Canberra in 2014 with a simple idea that the speed of global change in cybersecurity, and the requirement to have access to technology when we needed it, meant that Australia needed a sovereign company to create future technology, not just integrate past technology or wait in line for a global supply chain to deliver. Penten is now a team of more than 140 people. We research, create and deliver award-winning and globally unique technologies that deliver advantage for our defence and national security customers.

Securus Consulting Group

www.securus-cg.com



Established in 2020, Securus is 100% Australian owned and operated, and focused on being a capability enabler for our clients, across our three service pillars: Digital Delivery (Business Workflow and GRC solutions focused), Securus Labs (Technical Assurance) and Cyber Security Advisory. Based in Canberra's Brindabella Business Park with team members across Australia, we provide advice, support and assessment to industry and government on regulatory compliance and how to protect even the most sensitive information and systems. Our expertise is based on our staff having spent their entire careers working in fives-eyes agencies and the associated national security industries on developing new ICT techniques and capabilities that test, assess and, evaluate devices and products throughout their lifecycle to a high level of assurance to protect information at all levels of classification and sensitivities.

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Viden Labs

www.viden.com



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Willyama Services

willyama.com.au



Willyama is a 100% Indigenous, veteran-owned Sovereign services company known for delivering cybersecurity and IT solutions to Government and commercial clients. As the first Indigenous business to provide Sovereign cybersecurity to Boeing, Willyama has expanded into three business units. Willyama Indigenous & ICT Services offers IT procurement, consulting, project management, onshore service desk support, recruitment, and training. Willyama Cyber specialises in managed security services, Essential 8 implementation, vulnerability assessments, penetration testing, governance, risk and compliance (GRC), IRAP assessments, and security of critical infrastructure (SoCI). WISE, Willyama's Indigenous social enterprise, provides cultural training, strategic business engagement, and mentorship for Indigenous businesses and staff

Kirra Services

www.kirraservices.com.au



Kirra Services, led by Brad Nagle, a proud Bundjalung man, is a Supply Nation certified Indigenous ICT provider based in Canberra. We deliver high-quality ICT services to government, defence, and private sectors, and offer certified training programs to enhance industry skills. Our focus is on increasing Indigenous participation in ICT and fostering local employment, while building strong, lasting partnerships.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROVIDERS

Australian National University

www.anu.edu.au



Study at a great university. Learn from global experts, participate in unique internships and build lifelong friendships. There's nothing quite like the ANU experience. Boasting the most employable graduates in Australia, #30 in the world and 6 Nobel laureates among ANU staff and alumni. The ANU School of Computing provides an excellent student experience by integrating real-world problem-solving into academic programs and offering opportunities for work-integrated learning, industry projects, and internships. With various programs from undergraduate to postgraduate, you'll be sure to find your place.

Canberra Institute of Technology





CIT has an impressive history of providing technical and further education in the ACT and surrounding area. In 2023, CIT delivered training to over 18,000 students, touching more lives post-secondary school than any other tertiary education institution in the ACT. Offering apprenticeships and certificate-level training through to diplomas and graduate certificates, CIT offers the full gamut of the tertiary experience and can help you identify a training pathway to help you reach your goals, whether you are new to study or already hold qualifications.

Comtech

comtech.edu.au



Comtech Training is an Australian-based, registered training organisation (RTO) that specialises in delivering a comprehensive range of vocational education and training (VET) services across the Telecommunications, MATV, Electronic Security, and Cybersecurity industries. Our cybersecurity training programs are designed to equip individuals with the practical skills and knowledge needed in critical areas such as network security, data protection, ethical hacking, and incident response. As the demand for skilled cybersecurity professionals continues to rise, Comtech Training plays a key role in addressing this need by offering industry-relevant, hands-on education in various aspects of cybersecurity.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROVIDERS

Lumify

www.lumifywork.com



Lumify are committed to providing professionals with Cyber training solutions that align to their goals. We have one of the largest and most comprehensive cyber security training portfolios in ANZ and through our strong partnerships with leading global cyber security certification vendors and experienced and fully certified trainers, we help professionals receive the best in industry training.

Social Cyber Academy

www.socialcyber.co/academy



The Social Cyber Academy, in collaboration with Blended Learning International (BLI), delivers cutting-edge educational programs tailored to meet the evolving demands of cyber defence and strategic leadership. This partnership brings together international expertise and accredited Australian qualifications under the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF). Offering a suite of programs, including Cyber Organisational Insight, Cyber Crime in Australia, and Cyber Technology Assessment, the Academy equips professionals with practical skills and knowledge. Programs are delivered virtually by global experts, ensuring accessibility and industry relevance. The Academy's flagship offering includes the Graduate Diploma of Strategic Leadership, with all leadership content contextualised for cyber defence.

University of Canberra

www.canberra.edu.au



Dynamic and vibrant, the University of Canberra (UC) is embedded deep in the soul of Canberra, the Australian capital. Canberra is a place where ideas are born, creativity is explored, and opportunity is created. Our home in Canberra and connection with our neighbouring communities shapes our purpose as a university. Whether it's fostering innovation, meeting health-care needs, solving environmental challenges or equipping our future leaders, our University is an embodiment of our distinctive city. Canberra is a wonderful place to live, study and work – a safe, connected, multicultural city which boasts great scenery, excellent entertainment and sports venues, a buzzing food scene and a glittering galaxy of cultural institutions.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROVIDERS

UNSW Canberra

www.unsw.edu.au/canberra



UNSW Canberra City is a new campus in Canberra's CBD designed to deliver world-class education, research, and innovation. This precinct will feature modern facilities for teaching, research, and industry collaboration, fostering a vibrant community. UNSW Launch provides an innovative workspace for industry, government, and academia to advance defence and security capabilities. Located on Northbourne Avenue and at the new Canberra City campus, it supports start-ups, enterprises, and researchers. Additionally, UNSW Canberra offers a new Bachelor of Cyber Security, a future-focused, three-year degree designed to address critical government and industry skills gaps. Graduates will be equipped to tackle the evolving cyber security landscape with practical and theoretical knowledge.

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GOVERNMENT

Australian Signals Directorate

www.asd.gov.au



The Australian Signals Directorate (ASD) is a vital member of Australia's national security community, working across the full spectrum of operations required of contemporary signals intelligence and security agencies: intelligence, cyber security and offensive operations in support of the Australian Government and Australian Defence Force (ADF). The Australian Signals Directorate's Australian Cyber Security Centre (ASD's ACSC) leads the Australian Government's efforts to improve cyber security. Our role is to help make Australia the most secure place to connect online.

Australian Federal Police

www.afp.gov.au



The AFP Cyber Command mission is to make Australia a hostile environment for cybercriminals by focusing their objective toward priority cybercrime threats. AFP's Cybercrime operations: Investigates cybercrime against the Commonwealth Government, critical infrastructure, and systems of national significance; Coordinates Australia's policing response to high harm, high volume cybercrime; State/territory police assess attacks against small-medium enterprises and individuals.

Defence – Joint Capabilities

www.defence.gov.au



Over 16,000 public servants work in Defence across numerous groups and agencies. Each group and agency has its own specialisation and responsibilities and works towards the common goal of protecting Australia's national interests. Defence offers interesting, challenging, and unique work ranging from intelligence and strategic policy right through to human resources, infrastructure, engineering and information technology. For any professional background or future career goals, there's a role in Defence to match.

GOVERNMENT

Department of Home Affairs

www.homeaffairs.gov.au/ about-us/our-portfolios/cyber-security



The Cyber and Infrastructure Security (CIS) Group brings together cyber security and critical infrastructure policy, response and coordination functions; the Department's regulatory functions for critical infrastructure (including aviation and maritime security); identity security and protection; and background checking under the AusCheck scheme.

Services Australia

www.servicesaustralia.gov.au



Services Australia is an Australian Government agency within the Social Services portfolio. We support Australians by efficiently delivering high-quality, accessible services and payments on behalf of the government. Our vision is to make government services simple so people can get on with their lives. In 2019, the department was reformed as Services Australia, a new agency reporting to the Minister for Government Services. Services Australia delivers payments and services on behalf of more than 8 policy departments and agencies. We deliver all the following programs and services: Medicare, Centrelink, Child Support, myGov.

RECRUITMENT

HorizonOne Recruitment

horizonone.com.au



HorizonOne Recruitment, based in Canberra, specialises in recruiting senior ICT, cyber, and non-ICT professionals for strategic roles across public and commercial sectors. Well known for our ability to secure security-cleared personnel for significant government and defence projects, we also excel in commercial sector placements. Our approach combines personalised recruitment strategies with extensive industry knowledge, ensuring we connect organisations with talent that is not only technically proficient but also culturally aligned. Unusual within the industry, our dedicated team meets every represented candidate personally to understand their skills, motivations, and career aspirations fully. Committed to building long-term, value-driven partnerships, HorizonOne actively invests in community initiatives and development programs such as the 'Cyber Pivot Accelerator', to cultivate tomorrow's workforce, ensuring sustained sector growth and innovation.

Dreamjobz

www.dreamjobz.com.au



Dreamjobz is proudly 100% Indigenous-owned, founded on the values of empowerment, integrity and community. We're committed to giving back, supporting economic opportunities for Indigenous Australians, and advancing pathways to success for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people nationwide. Dreamjobz is Australia's premier Indigenous-focused job board, dedicated to connecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander job seekers with culturally supportive, meaningful employment opportunities. Our mission is to create pathways for Indigenous talent to thrive, empowering individuals and fostering diversity within workplaces across Australia. Whether you're an employer committed to inclusivity or a job seeker ready to take the next step in your career, Dreamjobz is here to support you.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION

ISACA

www.isaca.org



ISACA is a global professional association and learning organization with 185,000 members who work in digital trust fields such as information security, governance, assurance, risk, privacy and quality. With a presence in 188 countries and with 225 chapters worldwide, ISACA is recognized around the world for its guidance, credentials, education, training and community.

Australian Computer Society

www.acs.org.au



ACS (Australian Computer Society) is a professional association for tech professionals and communities. As the professional body and trusted leader in the tech sector, we bring together technology professionals from across the business, government, and education sectors. Our purpose is to advance technology for Australians. We do this by setting standards for Australian technology professionalism, including Australian Government Agencies and APS employees. We provide comprehensive career resources, tools, mentoring programs, networking opportunities, and over 7,000 technical and non-technical courses to support our members' professional development needs. Our mission is to empower technology professionals, expand industry capacity, and inspire future innovators while fostering a strong sense of professionalism, collaboration, and belonging.

OTHER

BSides Canberra

www.bsidesau.com.au



BSides Canberra has been running in Canberra since 2016. It hosts 3,500 attendees every year. It is wholly volunteer run, keeping the costs low and making it a highly accessible cyber conference. It focusses on the technical skills of the cyber security industry. Although the talks presented are the best research output in Australia, the conference aims to be highly inclusive, encouraging anyone with an interest in the technical side of cyber security to attend.

Tech Council of Australia

techcouncil.com.au



The Tech Council of Australia's National Virtual Work Experience Program is for young Australians in school who may not have considered a career in technology. The program aims to introduce high school students to the diverse careers in technology through online "work experiences" which have been developed in collaboration with our partners. In particular, we would like to showcase the Cyber security specialist experience at the career expo to provide a glimpse of the kind of skills needed to enter into the cyber workforce. This experience has been sponsored by Microsoft and any demos we undertake will involve industry professionals interacting with students and promoting the program.

Australian Women in Security Network (AWSN)



www.awsn.org.au

The AWSN is a not-for-profit association and network of people aimed at educating women and girls on security and increasing the number of women in the security community. We support, inspire, and act as role models. We connect women in the industry and those looking to enter the field with the tools, knowledge, network, and platforms needed to build confidence and interest. We know the diversity of threats requires diversity of thought on how to address them, and this is where our network thrives.

OTHER

Aya Leadership

avaleadership.com



Aya Leadership is a specialised leadership development partner for STEM and Security organisations that prioritise diversity. Aya Leadership is committed to changing the status quo for women as leaders in STEM and Security professions by uplifting and empowering more women into leadership roles and promoting diverse and inclusive leadership. Aya Leadership works with organisations to attract, retain and develop outstanding female talent, develop a sustainable and diverse leadership pipeline, and increase the representation of women at all leadership levels; so they can focus on business sustainability, growth, and innovation through diversity. Aya works with leaders of all genders globally to strengthen their leadership skills and develop high-performing and resilient teams and organisations. We support enduring leadership that has impact, generates growth and creates new realities.

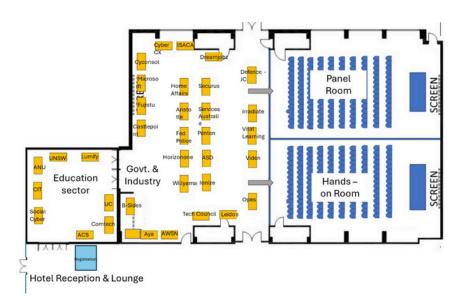
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We'd love to hear your feedback.





VENUE MAP



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