

Case Study

ISO27001 Readiness Review



Client **International marketing and sales training and consultancy provider**

The Work The organisation handles a great deal of personal data on behalf of its clients, one of whom had made it a condition of further business that the firm aligned itself to ISO27001 – the established international standard for information security management. We were engaged to perform a gap analysis to demonstrate existing compliance with the standard, and where further work would be required to bring them up to the required level for compliance.

How We Helped The analysis was performed by means of interviewing key personnel responsible for each of the security domains covered by the Standard. These interviews were supplemented by a thorough review of relevant documentation where it existed. We compiled a report covering all 133 control areas specified within the standard, with a comprehensive commentary against each. Every control was ranked between 0% and 100% compliant with the standard. Finally we produced a weighted scorecard to show the areas where the most urgent work was required.

Value Added Our philosophy of understanding the client's culture enabled us, as part of this engagement, to recommend cost-effective controls to fill the gaps where they existed. These controls were specifically designed to achieve the objectives as stated within the standard, whilst impinging as little as possible on the business processes and organisational culture already in place. We were also able to leverage business partnership arrangements to assist our client in procuring relevant software solutions at a keener price than would otherwise have been possible.

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