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12TH REGIONAL CYBERSECURITY WEEK 2024

"Cybersecurity as an enabler for Digital Economy"

POST SHOW REPORT

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EVENT OVERVIEW

The 12th Regional Cybersecurity Week 2024 is organized by Regional Cybersecurity Centre (RCC) in Muscat, Sultanate of Oman from the 28 - 31 October 2024, at the Grand Millennium Hotel, Muscat, Sultanate of Oman.

This year's proceedings are hosted by the Ministry of Transport, Communications and Information Technology through Oman National CERT (OCERT).





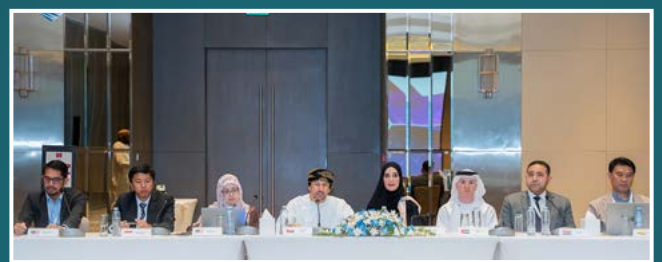
The 11th OIC-CERT Annual General Meeting

Renewing confidence in Oman National Cybersecurity Center, the Sultanate of Oman chairs the Board meeting of the National Cybersecurity Centres of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC-CERT) . This was on the sidelines of the Regional Cybersecurity Week 2024 activities.



OIC-CERT Board Meeting

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation for the National CERTs, to discuss and identify priorities and initiatives of common interest and follow up on the 2024 business plan, which focuses on strengthening the cybersecurity industry and innovation in the Islamic countries and aspects of cooperation with international organizations.



The 12th Regional Cybersecurity Summit

The conference aims to review the best opportunities and strategies in the field of cybersecurity industry and innovation to enhance the digital economy in the Arab and international regions. The conference will address aspects of cooperation and innovation in the cybersecurity industry at the local, regional, and international levels, showcasing several global experiences in the cybersecurity industry and cooperation between local and international specialized entities to highlight the procedures for assessing necessary measures to reduce risks in integrated systems. It will also discuss best practices to identify national and organizational cybersecurity policies and present achievements in reducing risks.



The 16th OIC-CERT Annual Conference and FIRST & ITU-RCC Symposium for Arab and Africa

The 16th OIC-CERT annual Conference is a continuous initiative by the Organization of the Islamic Cooperation – Computer Emergency Response Team (OIC-CERT) to enhance cybersecurity and raise awareness through international cooperation among the members and other information security organizations. This Conference also offers possible partnerships and collaboration pertaining to cybersecurity in order to maintain resiliency in cyberspace. It also provides information on cybersecurity issues, enhancement of members' effectiveness, efficiency through the improvement of the technical and administrative capabilities in incident handling and a channel to discuss strategic directions and future challenges.

This seminar provides a suitable platform for senior technical officials and cybersecurity officials from Africa and the Arab region to discuss and formulate the necessary policies to address cybersecurity risks. It is one of the initiatives in partnership with the international organization for security teams and incident response "FIRST." This event provides an opportunity for cooperation and partnership between specialized entities in cybersecurity to maintain flexible integration in this field. It also provides a suitable venue for sharing information and problems related to cybersecurity, improving the effectiveness of members, and increasing their impact by enhancing administrative and technical capacities in responding to security incidents. Additionally, the conference provides an opportunity to discuss strategic trends and future challenges.



The 12th Regional and OIC-CERT Cyber Drill

The Arab Regional Cybersecurity Center (ITU-ARCC) organizes the 12th regional cybers drill for Arab states and member states under the title “The Impact of Cybersecurity Threats on the Digital Economy” for national cybersecurity centers in the Arab region. The exercise aims to enhance communication and build the capabilities of emergency response teams to ensure continuous efforts to combat cyber threats (simulated attacks) by engaging national cybersecurity centers in the Arab region and member states of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation. The exercise targets national and Arab emergency response teams, specialized teams, and information security centers in critical sectors. It aims to increase communication between participating teams and reduce response time to incidents, in addition to clarifying the importance of unifying efforts between regional teams and their role in reducing security risks.



National cybersecurity Award Hadatha

Hadatha Cybersecurity Award is initiated with the vision of Oman National Centre in establishing a specialized cybersecurity industry, focusing on human capital, and based on innovation, creativity and excellence. The award is to recognize individual, initiatives, and institutions efforts and achievements in the field of cybersecurity in Oman.



1st GCC cybersecurity Industry Development Hackathon

The GCC Cybersecurity Hackathon is the 1st in the Industry Development platform that brings together innovators from the GCC countries in one place to convert their ideas into realistic models for products or solutions for the common cybersecurity challenges faced by the GCC countries, which will contribute to the development of the cybersecurity industry in the GCC.



OIC-CERT Global Cybersecurity Award

The OIC-CERT Global Cybersecurity Award is an initiative by the OIC-CERT chaired by Sultanate of Oman to encourage international collaboration in the cybersecurity domain under the Theme "Cybersecurity Innovation Towards Society Prosperity and Wellbeing".

The "OIC-CERT Award" recognizes innovative cybersecurity projects from around the world, not bound by country or region, that contribute to the uplifting of the ummah wellness while promoting the digital realm. This initiative is in congruence with the OIC-CERT vision to be a leading international cybersecurity platform in having a safer cyber space. This will be achieved through its mission of developing cybersecurity capabilities to mitigate cyber threats by leveraging on global collaboration. This year's Global Cybersecurity Award was given to the Association of Cybersecurity Organizations of Azerbaijan (ACOA) for their "Cyber Summer School" project.



Launching 6 Initiatives

- Hadatha Cybersecurity Center
- CREST Cyber Accelerated Maturity Programme (CREST CAMP)
- Cybersecurity Industry Development Watch Center
- Hadatha Cybersecurity Award
- 1st GCC cybersecurity Industry Development Hackathon
- * Cybersecurity Investments Opportunities



Cybersecurity Investments Opportunities

Sign Agreement and MoUs

Regional Cybersecurity Center signed MoUs with The Arab Internet And Telecom Union (ARISPA) and The African Network of Cybersecurity Authorities (ANCA)

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Hadatha Center for Cybersecurity Industry Launched

The Ministry of Transport, Communications and Information Technology, represented by Oman National CERT (OCERT), in cooperation with the University of Technology and Applied Sciences (UTAS) in Muscat, launched Hadatha Centre for Cybersecurity Industry. The center was launched as a part of the activities of the Regional Cybersecurity Week 2024.

The "Hadatha Center" aims to enhance the outputs of the National Program for Cybersecurity Industry, through knowledge management, ideas, research, and design of cybersecurity products and services through simulation, modelling, and testing.



Exhibition

On the sidelines of the Regional Cybersecurity Week this year, an exhibition was held which have 15 local and international companies in Cybersecurity participated. During the exhibition there were several products and latest security threads were presented and shown.



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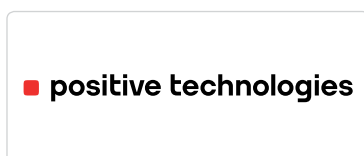
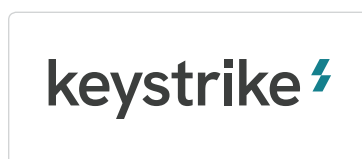
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EVENT SUMMARY



45+

Esteemed Speakers



600+

Attendees and
Key Decision Makers



60+

Countries



6

Lunched Initiative



15+

Sponsors



10+

International
Organizations



3

Awards
(National, GCC, Global)



6

Cyber Drill Scenarios



2

Workshops



4

MOUs Signing
Ceremony



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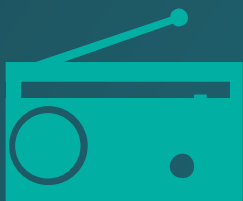
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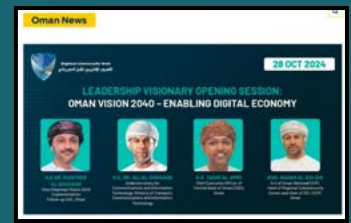


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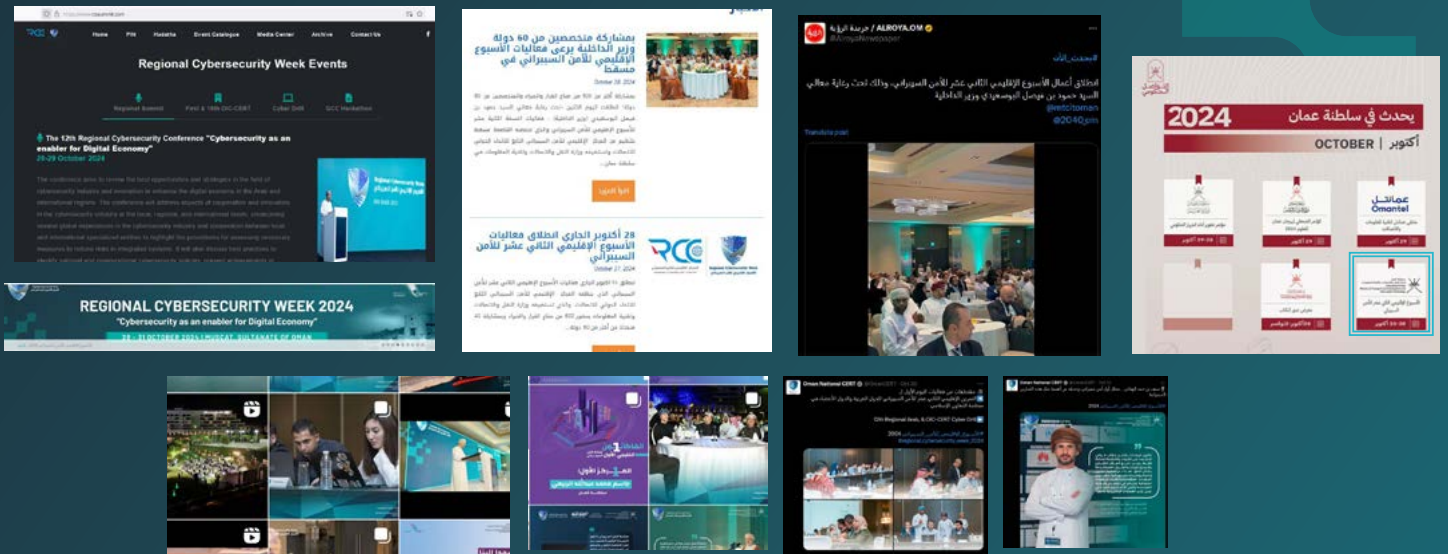
RECOMMENDATIONS

The 12th Regional Cybersecurity Week held in Sultanate of Oman from October 27 to 31, 2024, concluded with key recommendations to strengthen regional cybersecurity. These efforts align with a broader strategy for sustainable economic growth, positioning Oman as a regional hub for cybersecurity Industry Development .

- Promoting cyber security economic opportunities and including it in national economic plans
- Promoting investment in cybersecurity industry development and local solutions and products
- Enhancing international collaboration to address cyber threats
- Intensifying knowledge exchange among Arab nations and other participants
- Developing resilient digital infrastructure to reduce cyber-attack risks
- Stimulating Innovation and digital economy throughout launching new initiatives aimed at fostering a regional cybersecurity industry that can provide job opportunities, build customer trust, and attract investment
- Encouragement and recognition of outstanding innovative projects in cybersecurity.
- Emphasizing on capacity building including training and awareness as essential tools for developing the next generation's skills



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