Ali Alqahtani

Network and Security Engineer

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SUMMARY

Network and Security Engineer with 10 years of expertise in designing, implementing, and maintaining secure network infrastructures. Proficient in identifying and resolving network vulnerabilities, implementing robust security protocols, and conducting regular audits. Skilled in configuring and managing network devices, firewalls, and security systems for enhanced network security. Strong analytical thinker with a proactive problem-solving approach and a dedication to staying abreast of the latest security trends and technologies.

EDUCATION

Majmaah University 2010 – 2016 | Saudi Arabia
Bachelor degree in Computer and Network Engineering

WORK EXPERIENCE

Saudi Mining Services Company - ESNAD Oct 2025 – present | Riyadh
Network and Security Manager

- Manage IT Network and Security team to successfully build and sustain the IT Network and Security.
- Follow corporate IT policies, guidelines, procedures and standards to perform the overall Network and Security management, the relevant operations, the information security management and the service desk support
- Manage IT Network and Security projects to ensure the project delivery being on schedule, on quality and within budget.
- Define, drive and lead continuous improvement of service, technology and process improvement.
- Prepare RFPs, bid proposals, contracts, scope of work reports, and other documentation for IT projects and associated efforts
- Benchmark and recommend improvement of the IT Network and Security of IT systems Manage annual IT Operation budget and ensure cost effectiveness Implement and manage an annual performance review process for all Staff.
- People skills, and the ability to communicate effectively with various clients with the ability to explain and elaborate on technical details.

Talemia Aug 2021 – Oct 2025 | Riyadh
Senior Network Security Engineer

- Perform network administration tasks: creation and management of VLANs, Port security, Trunking, Inter- VLAN routing, and L2 security.
- Perform network security-related activities and functions: firewall rules changes and security troubleshooting.
- Responsible for managing LAN/WAN/Perimeter Security (Fortigate and Paloalto).
- Support Panorama Centralized Management for Palo Alto firewalls, configure, maintain, monitor, upgrade, and update firewall core, as well as back up configuration.
- Responsible for Load balance and WAF (F5, Citrix).
- Responsible for managing DNS, DHCP, IPAM, Reporter, and discovery from Infoblox.
- Responsible for Network Access Control (Aruba ClearPass).
- Managing Endpoint Security Solution SPE Manager and SES Complete from Symantec.

- Working on Essential Cybersecurity Controls (ECC-1-2018) from National Cybersecurity Authority (NCA).

National Information Center (SDAIA) Apr 2020 – Aug 2021 | Riyadh

Network & Security Engineer

- Infrastructure Team Leader for the National Labor Observatory Project at NIC
- Migration NIC network to a new environment (HSNI Project).

Ministry of Defense Jun 2018 – Mar 2020 | Riyadh

Network Engineer

- Designed, configured, and installed DMZ Network.
- Configure and manage Cisco ASA, Routers, and Switches.
- Applied routing protocol including BGP, OSPF, and EIGRP for departments and branches, MPLS for Agencies.
- Implementing IPsec between branches and Agencies.
- Representative of the Ministry of Defense in government platforms as a network engineer: Yesser, Etimad.

Saudi Rotorcraft Support Company Aug 2016 – Jun 2018 | Riyadh

IT Admin

- Managed the design, installation, and management of the organization LAN, WAN, network segment, and internet system.
- Designed, configured and installed Data Center Network Devices to support 50+ users, including ran cables, port, routers, switches, and firewalls.
- management of Wi-Fi with one WLC 3504, and five APs.
- Establish disaster recovery.
- Help Desk.

CERTIFICATES

Cisco
-CCNA (EKJ83FEF1KBQ12KQ)
-CCNP Enterprise (WCBVKBWNCK111256)
-CCNP Security (ZEYNHFHPNGEE1P5R)

Palo Alto
-PCNSE (XYVKNPF2BFF41ZW2)

Fortinet
-Professional Security Operations [NSE4,NSE5] (8570105046AA)

ITIL
-ITIL® Foundation (9980012486567874)

eLearnSecurity
-eJPT (1848816)

SKILLS

Networks
Router: 1900 , 2900 , 3900 Series | ASR 1000 , 9000 Serie
Switch: Catalyst 2960 , 3750 , 9200 | Core 6800 , 9500 Series

Microsoft
Servers, AD , DNS , DHCP, Microsoft Azure

Security
Firewall: Cisco ASA, Palo Alto, FortiGate.
Load balance and WAF: F5 LTM & ASM, Citrix ADC & ADM.
DNS and DHCP: Infoblox DDI.
Endpoint Security: Symantec Management Center

Tools
SolarWinds, OpManager, Wireshark and Nmap.