

# Newsletter

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DUBAI ELECTRONIC SECURITY CENTER



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### DESC Functions

- Development of Cybersecurity Policy and Standards
- Cybersecurity Training and Awareness
- Development of Cybersecurity Incident Response Guidelines
- Cybersecurity Research and Development
- Cybersecurity Information Sharing

### DESC Licenses

- DESC Cyber Security Consultant License
- DESC Auditing, Reviewing & Testing Cyber Risks License
- DESC Cloud Service & Data Centers Providers License
- DESC Security Product and Service Certification License

### DESC Benefits

- Reduced risk of cyberattacks.
- Improved ability to detect and respond to cyberattacks.
- Increased customer and stakeholder confidence.
- Enhanced reputation as a secure and trustworthy organization.
- Priority access to DESC's services.

### Dubai Electronic Security Center (DESC)

The Dubai Electronic Security Center (DESC) is a government agency in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, that is responsible for cybersecurity and information security. It was established in 2014 under Law No. 11 by His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE, and Ruler of Dubai.

### DESC Key Objectives

- **Protection:** To protect government information, communication networks, and information systems in the emirates of Dubai.
- **Development:** To develop, modify, and use the necessary means of electronic security.
- **Efficiency:** To enhance, through information systems or any other electronic means, the efficiency of information storage and exchange in all government entities in Dubai.

### DESC Regulations

- DESC Information Security Regulation (ISR)
- DESC Industrial Control Systems (ICS) Standard
- DESC Cloud Service Provider (CSP) Security Standard
- DESC Security Operations Centre (SOC) Security Standard

### DESC's Recent Initiatives

- In July 2022, DESC organized a cyberattack scenario simulation with 18 government and private sector entities in Dubai. The simulation was designed to test the entities' preparedness to respond to a major cyberattack.
- In August 2023, DESC published a new report on the cybersecurity landscape in Dubai. The report highlights the latest threats and trends and provides recommendations.