ISO 27001:2013 certification

Building confidence in your digital future
Our approach to certification

PwC offers a four-phase approach to help with your ISO 27001 project, using a proven project methodology to implement an information security management system capable of achieving ISO 27001 certification.

1. Gap analysis
A gap analysis is fundamental to evaluating your organisation’s current information security state. Our approach is to assess your organisation’s current information security state against the ISO 27001 standard and the intended future state of your organisation.

2. Preparation for certification
Implementing an ISO 27001-compliant information security management system (ISMS) ensures every aspect of information security is addressed by covering the people, the process and the technology-based controls.

3. Readiness assessment
Our readiness assessment helps you understand how your organisation would perform in a formal ISO 27001 certification audit. It evaluates how your organisation is performing against the standard and verifies your ISMS maturity.

4. Certification
Depending on the applicable independence requirements, we can certify your ISMS through our accredited legal entity to demonstrate to your stakeholders that your management of information security risks is in line with requirements for an ISMS, as outlined in the ISO 27001 standard.

"In today’s competitive business environment, information is critical to the day-to-day operation, compliance and strategic planning of your business. As a vital business resource, its value means that it is constantly under threat from being deliberately or accidentally misused, damaged, lost or stolen from individuals inside or outside your organisation."
Our range of services

We believe ISO 27001 certification should be a tool to improve the maturity of your organisation’s management of information security. This is reflected in all aspects of our ISO 27001 certification services.

Our team of ISO 27001 Lead Implementers and Lead Auditors can assist you in many ways; for example:

1. **Gap analysis**
   - Assessing your current maturity against the ISO 27001 standard

2. **Preparation for certification**
   - Assisting with the implementation of your ISMS
   - Delivering an end-to-end implementation project to achieve certification

3. **Readiness assessment**
   - Assess your readiness through a mock-up audit
   - Combining a readiness assessment and a certification audit to verify your maturity ahead of the formal audit and maximise your chances of success

4. **Certification**
   - Certifying your ISMS through our accredited legal entity
The value we bring to your organisation

**Skilled professionals**
- Our team of professionals has extensive expertise in both evaluating and implementing ISMSs.
- We will align the expertise of our team with the particularities of your organisation (e.g. cybersecurity, privacy, business continuity or industry specifics).

**Proven methodology**
- Our certification methodology leverages our global standards and guidelines for evaluating ISMSs and controls.
- Our certification services provide detailed insights into the information security risks your organisation faces.

**Actionable insights**
- Our audits focus on explaining the rationale behind our findings in the context of your organisation.
- In doing so, our aim is to empower your people to take ownership of remediating the findings to comply with the standard and improve information security as a whole.
Our clients choose to work with us because of our depth of knowledge, expertise and experience in assessing, building, managing and responding to information security management needs – specifically with respect to ISO 27001.

**Accreditation for certification**
- For the purposes of certification, PwC Switzerland is supported by PricewaterhouseCoopers Certification B.V. This Amsterdam-based legal entity is accredited by the Dutch ‘Raad van Accreditatie’, a member of the global International Accreditation Forum network, demonstrating the high quality of our services.
- We are confident that our accreditation increases the value of the certificate in relation to your clients and other stakeholders.

**Global reach**
- Our delivery model for certification services draws on the resources of our global network of PwC firms.
- We deliver global ISO 27001 certification programmes to our clients, remaining sensitive to the specifics of local territories (language, laws and regulations, and environmental risks).

**Integrated certification and attestation approach**
- Thanks to our broad expertise in technology control frameworks and third-party assurance standards, we can combine your ISO 27001 certification exercise with other forms of trust services (e.g., SOC 2 or ISAE 3000 attestations) and provide support in integrating your ISO 27001 controls into existing frameworks to establish synergies in control performance and testing.
Are you ready?

For details of how PwC can help you during your journey towards ISO 27001 certification, please contact us directly:

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