Bharat Gandhi

Professional Summary

A proven and successful senior security specialist with extensive technical and digital transformation experience, combined with a thorough understanding of technology. With over 11 years of experience in technology and consulting, I specialize in helping organizations deliver transformational change in a safe and secure manner that is enabled by technology.

Key Highlights:

- History of unblocking cloud markets and large platform migrations
- Agent of change, creating a "growth mindset" culture in teams
- Technology enthusiast with excellent knowledge across the stack
- Equally comfortable with Technical and Security decision-making
- Excellent presenter, thought leader and speaker
- Security Certified industry specialist

Work Experience

Member of Technical Staff

Careem (E& and Uber Venture)

November 2024 - Present

Dubai, United Arab Emirates

- Led the design and implementation of scalable security architectures for distributed backend systems
- Provided expert guidance on secure coding practices, cloud security, and threat modeling
- Facilitated collaboration between InfoSec teams, architects, engineers, and product teams
- Spearheaded AWS services implementation and cloud security initiatives
- Integrated security throughout the software development lifecycle (SDLC)

Senior Security Engineer L5

Amazon Web Services

December 2021 - November 2024

Canada

- Contributed to cryptographic solutions and secure system architectures
- Led DevSecOps initiatives for 2Pizza Teams
- Architected complex AWS environments using ECS, S3, ALB, RDS, KMS, Lambda
- Conducted threat modeling and security design reviews
- Managed multiple security campaigns and gamedays

Cyber Security Manager

PwC

August 2018 - December 2021

Gurgaon

- Developed and matured security metrics for IT Risk programs
- Built Splunk and Ohana Dashboards for 176 territories
- Implemented ISO27001 controls and conducted internal audits
- Developed automation projects in Python and PowerShell for SOC operations
- Managed endpoint security technologies and cloud security implementations

Senior IT Security Operations Specialist

McKinsey & Company

January 2017 - October 2018

- Managed SIEM environment and security operations
- Developed Splunk queries and correlation searches
- Implemented Security Orchestration and Automation Solutions
- Conducted vulnerability assessments and penetration testing
- Managed network security and access controls

Security Specialist

HCL Technologies

November 2013 - January 2017

- Conducted risk identification and assessment according to ISO 27001:2013
- Managed SOC operations and security monitoring
- Implemented security policies and procedures

- Conducted vulnerability assessments and security audits
- Provided security training and guidance to teams

Certifications & Training

- Certified Information Security Manager (ISACA)
- Azure Fundamentals – AZ900, AZ500
- Certified Ethical Hacking – EC Council
- ISO 27001:2013 Lead Auditor

- CISSP Training (Certification in Process)
- CompTIA Security+
- Splunk Architecture Overview
- Splunk System and Data Administration
- Creating Splunk Knowledge Objects 7.x
- Searching and Reporting with Splunk 7.x

Technical Skills

Security Tools

- Firewalls: Palo Alto Networks
- IDS/IPS: Cisco, Palo Alto, Fortinet
- SIEM: Splunk, IBM QRadar, ArcSight
- VAPT: Qualys, Nessus, Burp Suite
- Encryption: Symantec, McAfee, Bitlocker

Cloud Security

- AWS: GuardDuty, CloudTrail, Security Hub
- Azure: MDATP, O365 Security
- Google Cloud Security
- Cloud Infrastructure Security
- Serverless Security

Security Operations

- Incident Response
- Threat Hunting
- Vulnerability Management
- Security Automation
- Compliance Management

Development & Automation

- Python
- PowerShell
- GitLab
- DevSecOps
- Security Testing