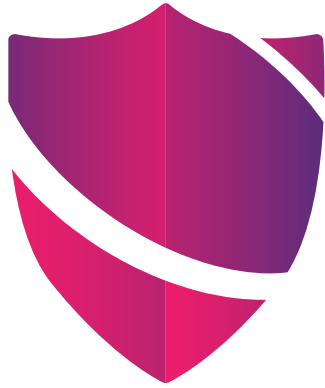




5th Edition MENA CYBER SECURITYTM CONFERENCE

RIYADH EDITION

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**Strengthening Cyber Resilience
Across the GCC: Securing
Infrastructure & Enabling Trust**

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Event Overview:

5th MENA Cyber Security Conference 2026 – Riyadh Edition: Fortifying Digital Frontiers is a **premier one-day leadership summit** that brings together **Saudi Arabia's cybersecurity ecosystem** — from **government authorities** and **critical infrastructure operators** to **enterprise CISOs** and **global tech innovators**.

As the Kingdom advances toward its **Vision 2030 digital transformation goals**, **cybersecurity** has become a **cornerstone of national development**. This conference is designed to address the most **urgent cyber risks** and **innovation opportunities** shaping **Saudi Arabia's digital economy**.

Join over **120+ industry leaders, regulators, and cybersecurity professionals** from key sectors including **Government, Oil & Energy, Defense, Aviation, BFSI, Healthcare, Telecom, Retail, Manufacturing, and Smart Cities**, as they converge to explore the latest **strategies, technologies, and collaborative frameworks** in securing the Kingdom's **digital infrastructure**.



Why MENA?

The Middle East is rapidly becoming a **global hub for cybersecurity** advancement, fueled by ambitious national visions, large-scale infrastructure projects, and escalating cyber threats. With governments investing heavily in smart cities, cloud adoption, AI integration, and digital economies, cybersecurity is now foundational to regional stability and growth.

- 01** Saudi Arabia's cybersecurity market is among the fastest-growing in the region, forecast to expand at a 13.4% CAGR, reaching USD 3.6B by 2030.
- 02** Large-scale giga projects like NEOM, The Line, and Red Sea Global embedding cybersecurity into urban planning
- 03** A nationwide push for Zero Trust architecture, cloud security, and AI-enabled threat detection
- 04** Proactive policies from the National Cybersecurity Authority (NCA), including sector-specific controls, incident response frameworks, and regulatory alignment

Why Riyadh?

Riyadh is at the heart of the region's cybersecurity revolution — a rising powerhouse where cyber strategy, innovation, and governance converge.

What to Expect at the Riyadh 2026 Edition:

Join 120+ senior decision-makers and 25+ expert speakers at the forefront of Saudi Arabia's digital future.

- Keynotes** from national cybersecurity authorities, CISOs, and global tech leaders.
- Panels** on covering Zero Trust implementation, critical infrastructure security, AI-driven defense, and post-quantum strategy
- Workshops** and end-user case studies from defense, energy, BFSI, and giga-project security teams
- Exclusive networking** with policymakers, CISOs, and technology providers driving digital transformation

Riyadh 2026 is where strategy, innovation, and national cyber resilience align.

Are you ready to help secure Saudi Arabia's digital future?

Increasing public-private partnerships focused on cyber resilience, threat sharing, and workforce development

The Kingdom ranks in the Top 10 globally on the ITU Global Cybersecurity Index

Vision 2030 makes cybersecurity a strategic pillar of digital and economic reform

Rapid expansion of smart cities, 5G, IoT, and critical infrastructure digitization

Key Focus Areas:



Cybersecurity for Vision 2030 & Smart Nation Initiatives

Securing the digital backbone of Saudi Arabia's giga-projects, smart cities (like NEOM and The Line), e-government platforms, and digital public services.



AI & Automation in Threat Detection and Response

Harnessing AI, machine learning, and automation to enable proactive defense, real-time monitoring, and autonomous incident response across critical sectors.



Zero Trust & Identity-First Security Architecture

Implementing Zero Trust models and modern identity and access management to protect hybrid workforces, cloud infrastructure, and critical assets.



Quantum-Ready Security & Advanced Encryption

Preparing for the quantum computing era with next-generation cryptography, secure key management, and resilient encryption standards.



Critical Infrastructure & OT Cybersecurity

Strengthening the cyber resilience of national infrastructure — especially energy, utilities, transportation, and industrial control systems — through IT-OT security integration.

Why Attend MENA Cyber Security Conference 2026?



Gain cutting-edge knowledge from industry leaders and experts on the latest cybersecurity trends, technologies, threats and challenges.



Interact with professionals from various industries such as government, energy, healthcare, aviation, and telecom to share challenges and solutions.



Engage with peers, experts, and vendors to build lasting relationships that drive collaboration and innovation in the cybersecurity space.



Learn about the technologies that will shape the next generation of cybersecurity, including AI, quantum computing, Zero Trust, and automation.

**Exclusive
Insights**

**Cross-Industry
Collaboration**

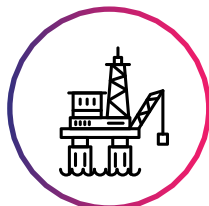
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Networking**

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Sessions**

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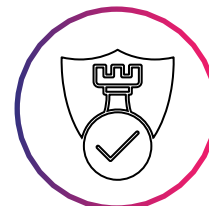
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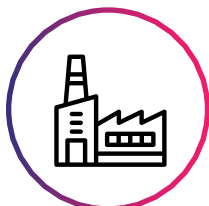
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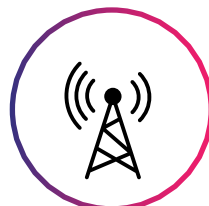
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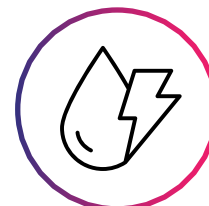
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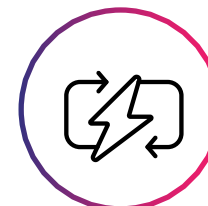
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**Retail/Consumer
Goods**



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Education



Hospitality



Logistics



Transportation



Travel/Tourism



Real Estate



Entertainment



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Job Titles

- CEO / VPs & Founders
- Chief Information Security Officer (CISOs)
- Chief Security Officers (CSOs)
- Chief Information Officers (CIOs)
- Chief Technology Officers (CTOs)
- Chief Digital Officers (CDOs)
- Director of GRC / IT / OT
- SOC Heads / Directors / VPs
- IOT & IT Heads / Directors / VPs
- SCADA Directors / Specialists
- Cybersecurity / Architect Governance Leaders
- Cybersecurity Compliance Heads / Directors / VPs
- Chief Architect Officers
- Blockchain Security Experts
- Ethical Hacking / Red Team / Blue Team
- Data Privacy Officer
- Zero Trust Environment Builders
- IT Policy Makers

Vendor Categories

- Cybersecurity Technology Providers
- AI and Machine Learning Security Providers
- Cloud Security Providers
- Network & Infrastructure Security Providers
- Compliance and Risk Management Providers
- Quantum Computing & Post-Quantum Security Providers
- Managed Security Service Providers (MSSPs)
- Secure Software Development & DevSecOps Providers
- Internet of Things (IoT) Security Providers
- Cybersecurity Consulting & Training Providers
- Data & Privacy Protection Vendors
- Disaster Recovery & Business Continuity Providers
- Security Hardware Providers
- Industry-Specific Cybersecurity Solutions
- Cybersecurity Research & Intelligence Firms

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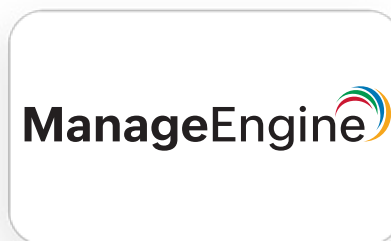
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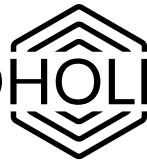
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DUBAI EDITION

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7th Edition MENA IT & OT SECURITY CONFERENCE

DAMMAM EDITION

26TH OCTOBER 2026 | DAMMAM, SAUDI ARABIA
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DOHA EDITION

25 NOVEMBER 2026 | DOHA, QATAR
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Event Snapshots





MENA Cyber Excellence Awards

**CISO of the Year
– Government
Sector**

**CISO of the
Year –
Enterprise
Sector**

**Cybersecurity
Woman of the
Year**

**Cybersecurity
Rising Star
(Next-Gen
Leader)**

**AI & Automation
Security
Excellence
Award**

**Zero Trust
Implementation
Excellence
Award**

**Cloud Security
Innovator of
the Year**

**Best Incident
Response
Team of the
Year**

**Best Security
Operations
Center (SOC)
of the Year**

**Best
Cybersecurity
Strategy
Implementation
– Government
Sector**

**Best
Cybersecurity
Strategy
Implementation –
Private Sector**

**GRC Leader of
the Year**

**Cybersecurity
Start-up of the
Year (Innovation
Award)**

**Best Data
Protection &
Privacy
Initiative**

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Saudi Arabia**



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