Training course on Cybersecurity for Real Estate Data and Systems

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Real Estate Institute	**Duration**	10 Days
Base Fee	$3,000 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives:

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

1. **Analyze core principles and strategic responsibilities** of **cybersecurity for real estate data and systems**.
2. **Master sophisticated techniques** for **identifying common cyber threats and vulnerabilities** specific to the real estate industry.
3. **Develop nuanced strategies** for **implementing robust data protection measures** including encryption and access controls.
4. **Implement effective network security practices** for **protecting real estate IT infrastructure**.
5. **Manage complex compliance requirements** of **Kenya's Data Protection Act, 2019**, and other relevant regulations.
6. **Apply robust strategies** for **securing digital real estate transactions** and communication channels.

7. **Understand the deep integration of cybersecurity in property management systems and smart building technologies**.
8. **Leverage knowledge of third-party vendor risk management** for **secure real estate operations**.
9. **Optimize strategies for developing comprehensive incident response and disaster recovery plans** .
10. **Formulate specialized cybersecurity awareness programs** for **real estate professionals and staff**.
11. **Conduct advanced risk assessments and security audits** for **real estate organizations**.
12. **Navigate challenging situations** such as **phishing attacks, ransomware, and insider threats** in real estate.
13. **Develop a holistic, security-conscious, and strategically adaptive approach** to **protecting real estate data and systems in Kenya**.

Target Audience:

This course is designed for professionals seeking to enhance cybersecurity in Real Estate:

1. **Real Estate Business Owners and Executives:** For strategic oversight and risk management.
2. **Property Managers and Facility Managers:** To secure tenant data and smart building systems.
3. **Real Estate Agents and Brokers:** To protect client information and transaction data.
4. **Real Estate IT Managers and Security Professionals:** Implementing and managing cybersecurity frameworks.
5. **Legal Professionals in Real Estate:** Understanding data protection laws and compliance.
6. **Real Estate Development Project Managers:** Securing project data and supply chains.
7. **Compliance Officers and Risk Managers:** Ensuring adherence to data privacy regulations.
8. **Anyone handling sensitive data or managing IT systems within the real estate sector.**

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Course Modules:

- **Module 1: Real Estate Cyber Threat Landscape**
  - Overview of the **current cybersecurity threats** facing the real estate industry.
  - Common **attack vectors**: phishing, ransomware, business email compromise (BEC), malware, DDoS.
  - **Vulnerabilities in real estate systems**: legacy systems, unpatched software, IoT devices.
  - The **value of real estate data** to cybercriminals (personal, financial, transactional).
  - **Case Study:** Analysis of a high-profile cyberattack on a real estate company (e.g., a ransomware attack).
- **Module 2: Data Protection Laws & Compliance in Real Estate (Kenya Focus)**
  - Understanding the **Kenya Data Protection Act, 2019 (DPA)**: principles, data subject rights, obligations.
  - Comparison with **international standards** like GDPR.
  - **Compliance requirements** for real estate businesses: registration, DPO, DPIA.
  - **Penalties for non-compliance** and impact on reputation.
  - **Case Study:** Navigating data privacy requirements for collecting tenant information under the Kenyan DPA.
- **Module 3: Foundational Cybersecurity Principles & Frameworks**
  - Core **cybersecurity concepts**: confidentiality, integrity, availability.
  - Understanding **cybersecurity frameworks**: NIST, ISO 27001 (overview).
  - Developing a **security culture** within a real estate organization.

    - Importance of **policies, procedures, and governance** in cybersecurity.
    - **Case Study:** Establishing a basic cybersecurity policy for a small real estate agency.
- **Module 4: Network Security for Real Estate Infrastructure**
    - **Secure network architecture**: firewalls, intrusion detection/prevention systems (IDS/IPS).
    - **Virtual Private Networks (VPNs)** for secure remote access.
    - **Wireless network security**: strong encryption, secure access points.
    - **Segmentation of networks** to isolate critical systems.
    - **Case Study:** Securing the Wi-Fi network in a property management office and for shared tenant access.
- **Module 5: Endpoint Security & Data Encryption**
    - Protecting **laptops, desktops, and mobile devices** (smartphones, tablets).
    - **Antivirus/anti-malware solutions** and endpoint detection and response (EDR).
    - **Data encryption**: in transit (SSL/TLS) and at rest (disk encryption, database encryption).
    - **Email security**: anti-phishing, spam filters, secure email gateways.
    - **Case Study:** Implementing data encryption for sensitive client documents on real estate agent laptops.
- **Module 6: Access Control & Identity Management**
    - Implementing **strong password policies** and password managers.
    - **Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)** for all critical systems.
    - **Role-Based Access Control (RBAC)**: limiting access based on job function.
    - **User provisioning and de-provisioning** processes.
    - **Case Study:** Designing an access control matrix for a property management system with different user roles (landlord, tenant, maintenance).
- **Module 7: Cybersecurity in Digital Real Estate Transactions**
    - Securing **online payment platforms and escrow services**.
    - Protecting against **wire fraud and payment redirection scams**.
    - Using **secure document sharing platforms** and digital signatures.
    - **Blockchain technology** for secure land records and transactions (overview).
    - **Case Study:** Reviewing security best practices for a real estate closing process involving digital payments.
- **Module 8: Cybersecurity for Property Management Systems & PropTech**
    - Assessing the **security of Property Management Software (PMS)** and CRM systems.
    - Securing **cloud-based real estate platforms** (SaaS).
    - Vulnerabilities of **smart building IoT devices** (sensors, smart locks, HVAC).
    - Best practices for **IoT security** in smart buildings.
    - **Case Study:** Identifying and mitigating security risks in a cloud-based property management system used in Kenya.
- **Module 9: Third-Party Risk Management & Vendor Security**
    - Assessing the **cybersecurity posture of vendors and partners** (e.g., marketing agencies, IT support, legal firms).
    - **Vendor security agreements** and due diligence.
    - Managing **supply chain risks** in real estate tech.
    - Data sharing agreements and **third-party access controls**.
    - **Case Study:** Developing a vendor security questionnaire for a real estate firm onboarding a new PropTech provider.
- **Module 10: Incident Response & Disaster Recovery**
    - Developing an **Incident Response Plan (IRP)**: detection, containment, eradication, recovery.
    - Conducting **tabletop exercises** for simulated cyber incidents.

    - **Data backup and recovery strategies** (3-2-1 rule).
    - **Business Continuity Planning (BCP)** for real estate operations.
    - **Case Study:** Simulating a ransomware attack on a real estate database and outlining the steps for recovery.
- **Module 11: Security Auditing, Monitoring & Threat Intelligence**
    - Conducting **vulnerability assessments and penetration testing**.
    - Implementing **security information and event management (SIEM)** for centralized logging.
    - **Continuous monitoring** of real estate IT systems and networks.
    - Leveraging **threat intelligence** to stay ahead of emerging threats.
    - **Case Study:** Interpreting a security audit report for a real estate website or portal.
- **Module 12: Cybersecurity Awareness & Future Trends**
    - Developing and delivering effective **cybersecurity awareness training** for all staff.
    - Recognizing and reporting **social engineering attacks**.
    - The role of **cyber insurance** for real estate companies.
    - Emerging threats: **AI-powered attacks, deepfakes, quantum computing impacts**.
    - **Case Study:** Designing a phishing awareness campaign for real estate agents.

Training Methodology

- **Interactive Workshops:** Facilitated discussions, group exercises, and problem-solving activities.
- **Case Studies:** Real-world examples to illustrate successful community-based surveillance practi

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Online	$2,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$9,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000

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