



Internationally Certified Training Programs

PECB CERTIFIED ISO 18788 Lead Auditor

Course Introduction

The ISO 18788 Lead Auditor training enables you to develop the necessary expertise to perform a Security Operations Management System (SOMS) audit by applying widely recognized audit principles, procedures and techniques. During this training course, you will acquire the knowledge and skills to plan and carry out internal and external audits in compliance with ISO 19011 and ISO/IEC 17021-1 certification process.

Based on practical exercises, you will be able to master audit techniques and become competent to manage an audit program, audit team, communication with customers, and conflict resolution.

After acquiring the necessary expertise to perform this audit, you can sit for the exam and apply for a “PECB Certified ISO 18788 Lead Auditor” credential. By holding a PECB Lead Auditor Certificate, you will demonstrate that you have the capabilities and competencies to audit organizations based on best practices.

Target Audience

- Auditors seeking to perform and lead Security Operations Management System (SOMS) certification audits
- Managers or consultants seeking to master a Security Operations Management System audit process
- Individuals responsible for maintaining conformance with SOMS requirements
- Technical experts seeking to prepare for a Security Operations Management System audit
- Expert advisors in a Security Operations Management

Learning Objectives

- Understand the operations of Security Operations Management Systems (SOMS) based on ISO 18788
- Acknowledge the correlation between ISO 18788 and other standards and regulatory frameworks
- Understand an auditor's role in planning, leading and following-up on a management system audit in accordance with ISO 19011
- Learn how to interpret the requirements of ISO 18788 in the context of a SOMS audit

Course Outline

- **01 Day One**

Introduction to a Security Operations Management System (SOMS) and ISO 18788:

- Course objectives and structure
- Standards and regulatory frameworks
- Certification process
- Fundamental concepts of Security Operations Management
- Security Operations Management System (SOMS)

- **02 Day Two**

Audit principles, preparation and launching of an audit:

- Fundamental audit concepts and principles
- Audit approach based on evidence and risk
- Initiating the audit
- Stage 1 audit
- Preparing the stage 2 audit (on-site audit)

- **03 Day Three**

On-site audit activities:

- Stage 2 audit
 - Communication during the audit
 - Audit procedures
 - Creating audit test plans
 - Drafting audit findings and nonconformity reports
- **04 Day Four**

Closing the audit:

- Audit documentation and quality review
 - Closing the audit
 - Evaluation of actions plans by the auditor
 - Beyond the initial audit
 - Managing an internal audit programme
 - Competence, evaluation and closing the training
- **05 Day Five**

Certification Exam

Confirmed Sessions

FROM	TO	DURATION	FEES	LOCATION
June 30, 2025	July 4, 2025	5 days	4250.00 \$	UAE - Dubai
Sept. 1, 2025	Sept. 5, 2025	5 days	4250.00 \$	UAE - Abu Dhabi
Dec. 15, 2025	Dec. 19, 2025	5 days	4950.00 \$	Spain - Madrid

