

Is ISO27001 certification on its way to become the norm?

/EINPresswire.com/ Figures from the ISO 2011 Survey show significant increase in certification to the ISO/IEC 27001 management system for information security. The number of ISO27001 certificates issued in the UK was up 17.5% in 2011 on 2010 and up 12% on 2010 internationally.

Alan Calder, CEO of ISO27001 compliance experts, IT Governance, comments, "The ISO Survey confirms that ISO27001 certification is already a widely-spread practice. Many organisations have to comply with the ISO27001 information security standard in order to meet contractual requirements or to gain competitive advantage. I believe this trend will continue and soon ISO27001 certification will become the norm."

[ISO/IEC 27001:2005](#), usually referred to just as ISO27001, is the best practice specification that helps businesses and organisations throughout the world to develop an integrated and incorporated Information Security Management System (ISMS). The ISO27001 standard is applicable to all types of organisations and brings tangible benefits, including better management and protection of information assets, increased competitive advantage and stakeholder satisfaction.

Many organisations that embark on an ISO27001-certification project lack the knowledge and resources to complete the project within a reasonable timescale and up to the required quality. Whilst [ISO27001 training](#) for staff tasked with the project is a must, using expertly developed tools and materials can considerably accelerate the implementation.

The [ISO27001 ISMS Documentation Toolkit](#) developed by IT Governance caters for all types and sizes of organisations and their quest to embark on ISO27001 certification – delivering customisable pre-written and compliant documents including policies, procedures, work instructions and templates. It has already helped many organisations implement ISO27001.

A company that recently purchased the toolkit said "IT Governance's document templates made a significant contribution to us achieving ISO27001 first time."

Calder adds, "Organisations that haven't started implementing ISO27001 yet should seriously consider the standard or they may be left behind in the competition for winning new contracts and retaining existing ones."

The ISO27001 ISMS Documentation Toolkit can be ordered immediately online at www.itgovernance.co.uk/shop/p-970-no-3-comprehensive-iso27001-isms-toolkit-download.aspx.

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