Background

Dutch Microsoft partner DTX joined forces with Dutch ISO consultancy firm Bluebird & Hawk to develop a NIS2 toolkit proposition.

The proposition is aimed at helping IT service providers and consultants in information security to provide their clients with all the 'tools' they need to become NIS2 compliant.

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About NIS2 and the opportunity it provides

The NIS2 directive is the most comprehensive European cybersecurity directive yet. With stricter risk management and incident reporting requirements, more comprehensive sector coverage, and more hard-hitting penalties for non-compliance, hundreds of thousands of EU organizations will need to reassess their cybersecurity posture.

Most IT service providers and information security consultants lack the knowledge and tools to implement their clients' policy and process guidelines and IT infrastructure. IT partners focus on IT, while information security consultants focus on policy and processes. Moreover, many parties offer just a checklist instead of also providing the policies and process guidelines, and IT templates for implementation.

We strongly believe this is a 'people, process and technology' challenge, combining implementing policies and guidelines with modern IT infrastructures.

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Our NIS2 Toolkit proposition at a glance – helping service providers to upsell on the NIS2 directive event.

The toolkit consists of detailed process descriptions, implementation guidelines, and compliance policies to assist companies in meeting the NIS2 directive.

Additionally, the toolkit includes IT templates and best practices for safe working (Conditional Access, Microsoft Purview), IT infrastructure landing zones and scripts (Azure Cloud Adoption Framework), identity management (Privileged Identity Management and Defender for Identity), and endpoint protection (Microsoft Intune high secure modern workplace implementation combined with Defender for Endpoint), which can be automatically rolled out. Finally, the complete EntraID environment is configured securely according to NIS2 guidelines.

This toolkit is unique because it combines policy and process guidelines with IT best practices and templates. It ensures that organizations and companies have all the 'people, process, and technology' tools they need to become NIS2 compliant independently while also implementing a secure foundation for the future.

Policy guides and checklists

40+ documents containing:
- Overview of NIS2 directive
- Information value assessment tools
- Information protection policy
- Risk Management policy
- Monitoring & Measuring
- Audit Planning & Self Assessments
- ISMS Guides / Handbook
- Governance Checklists

IT technology and templates
- Best practice security implementation guides & checklists on Microsoft tech.
- Purview and Azure roll-out scripts
- NIS2-compliant Azure Landingzone template (Azure CAF)

- NIS2-compliant Modern Workplace Landingzone Template (M365, Purview, Conditional Access, Identity Management, Defender for Identity, Entra ID)

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Key benefits to Microsoft partners
We enable service providers with a modular toolkit and the support to implement and govern NIS2 compliancy from A to Z successfully, at speed, with the flexibility they need, perfectly aligning the policies and the technology across the customer organization.
- **Get organizations NIS2 compliant faster**: speed up NIS2 implementation from upwards of 1.5 years down to just several months.
- **Implement from 50 to 5000 employees:** we provide a flexible and modular framework to implement the most in-depth and the minimum.
- **Build a more secure EU**: we help bridge the gap and advance EU organizations, building a more secure future.
- **Perfectly align policy & technology**: ensure policies are implemented and aligned perfectly to the technology and security controls.
- **Gain an actionable step-by-step plan**: we provide an actionable step-by-step checklist to make it's easy to track what needs to be done.
- **Future-proof compliance:** ensure customers can future-proof their compliance, not only by implementing NIS2 but by staying compliant.

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End customer benefits
- **NIS2 and ISO27001 compliant**: we enable service providers to make it easy for their customers to become compliant with NIS2 and ISO27001, ensuring security and avoiding risk. On average, end customers save 6 – 8 months.*
- **ISMS adopted and enabled**: the NIS2 toolkit includes an ISMS to ensure continuous governance and control, ensuring compliance and easier benchmarking.
- **Secure foundation and future**: We empower customers to build security into their organization's foundation, ensuring that future growth can happen securely.

*compared to a situation where customers work with ISO consultants and IT providers separately, and their advice is tailor-made.

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