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SABSA®
FOUNDATION

COURSE OVERVIEW

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SABSA® is the leading open-use method for delivering cohesive information security solutions to enterprises. The SABSA Framework ensures that the security needs of your organisation are met completely and are designed, delivered and supported as an integral part of your IT management infrastructure.

The SABSA Foundation Modules (F1 & F2) are The SABSA Institute's official starting point for developing Security Architecture competencies. They are designed to create a broad spectrum of knowledge and understanding of the SABSA method, its frameworks, concepts, models and techniques.

Theories and concepts are put to the test in 'proof-of-concept' style case study exercises and workshops leaving candidates with a real-world understanding of how SABSA is applied.

SABSA FOUNDATION COURSE OUTLINE

The 5-day SABSA Foundation Training Course is split into two modules:

- F1 – Security Strategy & Planning
- F2 – Security Management & Design

F1 – Security Strategy & Planning

This module provides participants with a comprehensive understanding of how the SABSA framework delivers successful security strategy and architecture. Through a series of innovative presentations, case studies and workshops, you will develop the skills to use the proven security architecture design and management processes and find out how to develop a comprehensive strategy for the creation of a security architecture that meets the needs of your organisation.

F1 Module Outline

1. SABSA Executive Summary

2. SABSA Certification Programme

3. SABSA Principles & Objectives

4. SABSA Framework Overview

5. Business Requirements & SABSA Attributes Profile Concept

6. SABSA Risk & Opportunity Concept

7. SABSA Policy Architecture

8. SABSA Architecture Strength-in-Depth Engineering Concepts

9. SABSA Governance, Roles & Responsibilities

10. SABSA Domain Concepts

11. SABSA Time & Performance Management

F1 Learning Outcomes

- Define enterprise security architecture, its role, objectives and benefits
- Describe the SABSA model, architecture matrix, service management matrix and terminology
- Describe SABSA principles, framework, approach and lifecycle
- Use business goals and objectives to engineer information security requirements
- Create a business attributes taxonomy
- Apply key architectural defence-in-depth concepts
- Explain security engineering principles, models and techniques
- Use an architected approach to design an integrated compliance framework
- Describe and design appropriate policy architecture
- Define security architecture value proposition, measures and metrics

F2 – Security Management & Design

This module leverages the strategy defined in F1 to create a roadmap to design, deliver and support a set of consistent and high-quality security strategies.

Covering the SABSA life cycle, participants will find out how to design, deliver and support a comprehensive security services architecture that integrates fully and seamlessly with their existing IT management and business infrastructure.

F2 Module Outline

12. Asset Architecture & Management

13. Risk & Policy Management Architecture

14. Transformation & Service Architecture

15. Entity & Trust Framework

16. Inter-domain Security Associations

17. Service Sequencing & Performance

F2 Learning Outcomes

- Use SABSA to create a holistic framework to align and integrate standards
- Describe roles. Responsibilities, decision-making and organisational structure
- Explain the integration of SABSA into a service management environment
- Define Security Services
- Describe the placement of security services within IT infrastructure
- Create a SABSA Trust Model
- Describe and model security associations intra-domain and inter-domain
- Explain temporal factors in security and sequence security services
- Determine an appropriate start-up approach for SABSA Architecture
- Apply SABSA Foundation level competencies to your own environment

EXAMINATIONS & CERTIFICATION

SABSA Chartered Architect – Foundation Level (SCF) Certification is awarded to candidates who pass both Foundation Level (F1 & F2) examinations. Examinations are held in-person or virtually depending on the delivery format of your training course.

Examinations take the form of two multiple choice papers, each containing 48 questions and lasting 1 hour. The pass mark for each module is 75%.

Certification & Digital Badges

David Lynas Consulting will contact you when your examination results are available, issuing initial guidance on your scores and certification status.

The SABSA Institute will then contact you with formal confirmation of results and Certification if you have passed. The SABSA Institute launched Digital Credentials through Credly in 2025, you can read more about the programme at https://sabsa.org/digital-badges/.

WHY SABSA?

Utilisation of SABSA as a structured, holistic framework empowers your enterprise with strategic insights and practical solutions, transforming cybersecurity from a siloed function into a unified, strategic asset.

SABSA's Unique Value Proposition

Strategic Security Alignment	Design security architectures that are closely aligned with business objectives, transforming security from a siloed function into a strategic asset that supports growth and innovation.
Consistency & Scalability	Develop reusable security architecture patterns and cohesive frameworks that ensure consistent, scalable, and efficient security implementations across the enterprise.
Proactive Risk Mitigation	Enhance the organisation's security posture by proactively addressing vulnerabilities and risks through strategic planning and design, reducing reliance on reactive measures.
Optimised Resource Utilisation	Provide implementation roadmaps and management processes that enable internal teams to efficiently allocate resources, focusing on critical security areas for maximum impact.
Deliver End-to-End & Through-life	Deliver cybersecurity capability end-to-end and through-life
Create Certainty & Clarity	Create and sustain clarity of policy, governance, and risk ownership
Establish Common Culture & Language	Establish a common culture and language, enabling the enterprise to collaborate, integrate, adopt, consume & implement.
Capitalise Change & Agility	Support business ambition to transform, transition and change.

SABSA is the world's leading open security architecture framework and methodology.

SABSA is a top-to-bottom framework to conceive, conceptualise, design, implement and manage security in a business-driven model.

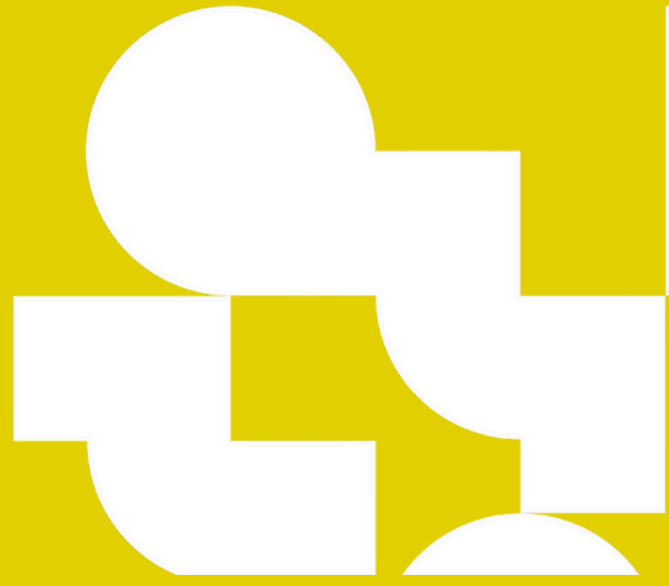The term "business-driven" is key to SABSA's power and acceptance.

SABSA is all about empowering the organisation to do business as it needs and wants to do, while ensuring that it is secure and fully enabled.

SABSA is an inclusive standard which readily integrates with other best-practice frameworks such as ITIL, COBIT, TOGAF and ISO 27001.

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