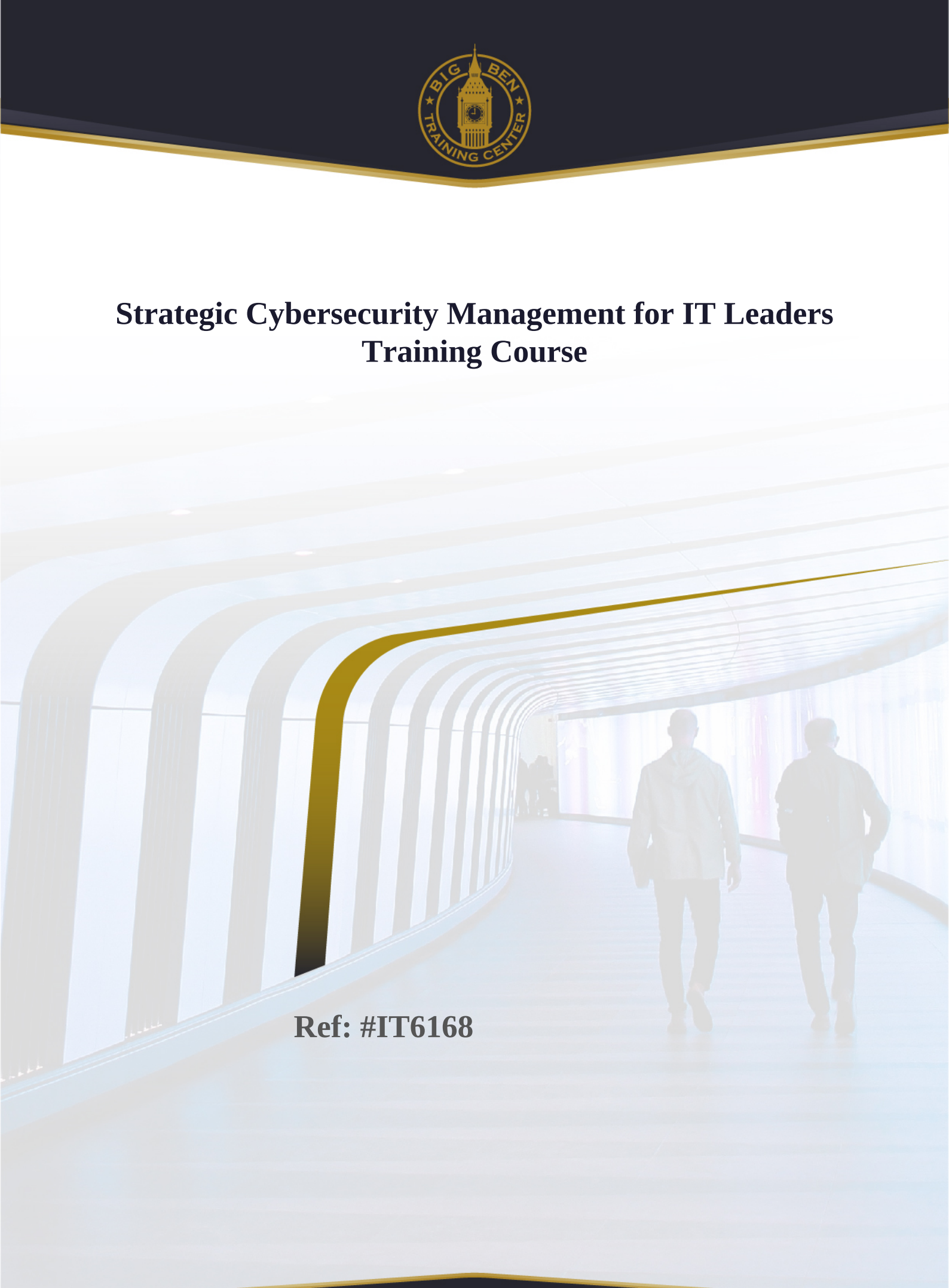
Strategic Cybersecurity Management for IT Leaders Training Course



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Course Introduction / Overview:

Cybersecurity is no longer a purely technical concern, but a strategic imperative that directly impacts business continuity, reputation, and financial performance. This Strategic Cybersecurity Management for IT Leaders Training Course is designed to equip IT professionals with the leadership and strategic skills needed to build a robust security posture. The program provides a deep dive into key areas like enterprise risk management, security governance, and incident response planning. We will explore how to communicate cybersecurity risks to the board, build a security-aware culture, and align security investments with business objectives. Participants will learn how to go beyond firewalls and antivirus software to develop a comprehensive security strategy that protects the entire organization. The course is also grounded in the principles outlined in "Strategic Management of IT in Government" by Sharon L. Caudle and Donald Marchand, which highlights the importance of integrating technology and policy. BIG BEN Training Center believes that mastering cybersecurity at a strategic level is essential for any leader who wants to safeguard their organization in the digital age.

Target Audience / This training course is suitable for:

- Chief Information Officers (CIOs) and IT Directors.
- Chief Information Security Officers (CISOs).
- Risk Management and Compliance Officers.
- Business Leaders and Senior Executives.
- IT Managers and Team Leaders.
- Cybersecurity Professionals.

Target Sectors and Industries:

- Financial services.
- Healthcare.
- Manufacturing.
- Technology and software.
- Government agencies and public sector.
- Telecommunications.

Target Organizations Departments:

- Information Technology.
- Information Security.
- Risk Management.
- Internal Audit.
- Compliance and Legal.
- Executive Leadership.

Course Offerings:

By the end of this course, the participants will have able to:

- Develop a strategic cybersecurity roadmap.
- Implement a robust security governance framework.
- Assess and manage enterprise cybersecurity risks.
- Lead and communicate effectively during a security incident.
- Build a security-aware culture within the organization.
- Ensure compliance with key cybersecurity regulations and standards.
- Measure the effectiveness of security controls and investments.

Course Methodology:

The training methodology for this course at BIG BEN Training Center is highly practical and focused on leadership development. We use a combination of interactive workshops, real-world case studies, and simulated incident response exercises to provide a dynamic learning environment. Participants will engage in hands-on activities where they will practice building a risk register, developing a security policy, and presenting a security briefing to a simulated board of directors. Interactive sessions will facilitate discussions on topics like threat intelligence and vendor risk management. This approach ensures that participants can confidently apply the principles of cybersecurity management in their professional roles, preparing them to lead and protect their organizations effectively.

Course Agenda (Course Units):

Unit One: Strategic Foundations of Cybersecurity.

- Defining cybersecurity from a business perspective.
- The evolving threat landscapes.
- Building a strategic cybersecurity roadmap.
- The role of leadership in security governance.
- Understanding key frameworks (NIST, ISO 27001).
- Aligning security with business objectives.
- Communicating risks to senior leadership.

Unit Two: Enterprise Risk Management.

- Identifying and assessing cybersecurity risks.
- Developing a risk management framework.
- The importance of a risk register.
- Risk mitigation strategies.
- Third-party and vendor risk management.
- Supply chain security.
- Continuous risk monitoring.

Unit Three: Security Governance and Policy.

- Building a strong security governance framework.
- Developing effective security policies.
- Ensuring compliance with data privacy regulations (GDPR, CCPA).
- Auditing for cybersecurity.
- Implementing and enforcing security controls.
- The role of internal audit in security.
- Best practices for security policy enforcement.

Unit Four: Incident Response and Crisis Management.

- Developing an incident response plan.
- Roles and responsibilities during a cyberattack.
- Leading a crisis communication plan.
- Containing and eradicating a threat.
- Post-incident analysis and reporting.
- Business continuity and disaster recovery.
- Leveraging threat intelligence.

Unit Five: Building a Security-Aware Culture.

- The human element of cybersecurity.
- Training and awareness programs.
- Phishing and social engineering defense.
- Fostering a culture of security accountability.
- Security metrics and reporting.
- The future of cybersecurity management.
- The role of AI in security.

FAQ:

Qualifications required for registering to this course?

There are no requirements.

How long is each daily session, and what is the total number of training hours for the course?

This training course spans five days, with daily sessions ranging between 4 to 5 hours, including breaks and interactive activities, bringing the total duration to 20 - 25 training hours.

Something to think about:

How can IT leaders effectively build a security-aware culture throughout the organization that encourages vigilance and accountability without creating an environment of fear or blame?

What unique qualities does this course offer compared to other courses?

This training course provides a strategic, leadership-focused approach to cybersecurity, which is a key differentiator from other programs that concentrate on technical skills alone. While many courses teach how to use security tools, this curriculum is designed to help IT leaders manage security as a core business function. We emphasize the critical role of governance, risk management, and communication, using real-world case studies to illustrate how to handle complex security challenges. The course moves beyond theory to provide practical skills in all key areas, from building a risk register to leading an incident response. The approach of BIG BEN Training Center is to empower attendees to become strategic leaders who can effectively manage cyber risk and safeguard their organization in a dynamic threat landscape.