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Certified Secure Software Lifecycle Professional

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# (ISC)<sup>2</sup> Overview & Background

 Global leaders in certifying and educating information security professionals with the CISSP<sup>®</sup> and related concentrations, CAP<sup>®</sup> and SSCP<sup>®</sup>.

- Established in 1989 not-for-profit consortium of industry leaders.
- More than 60,000 certified professionals in over 135 countries.
- Board of Directors top information security professionals worldwide.
- All of our credentials are accredited ANSI/ISO/IEC Standard 17024 and were the first technology-related credentials to receive this accreditation.



 Over 70% of breaches of security vulnerabilities exist at the application level.\*



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\* Gartner Group, 2005

## Why Attack Applications?

- Attacking systems became harder
- Perimeter defenses improved
- Attacking applications became easier
- Application software became vulnerable and more exploitable

### What is the Answer?

• No single answer

- Variety of solutions
- The following are addressing software development in a variety of ways:
  - **IEEE:** CSDA and CSDP (Software development)
  - **SANS:** GSSP-C, GSSP-J (Language specific/secure coding)
  - ISSECO: CSSE (Entry level education program with certificate of completion
  - **DHS:** Software Assurance Initiative (Awareness Program/Forum)
  - OWASP PCP (Web Application Development Security Certification)
  - Vendor-Specific (ex: Microsoft, Symantec) based on internal lifecycle processes/technology specific
- There is no indication that these organizations are addressing the content areas in the same manner as (ISC)<sup>2</sup>.

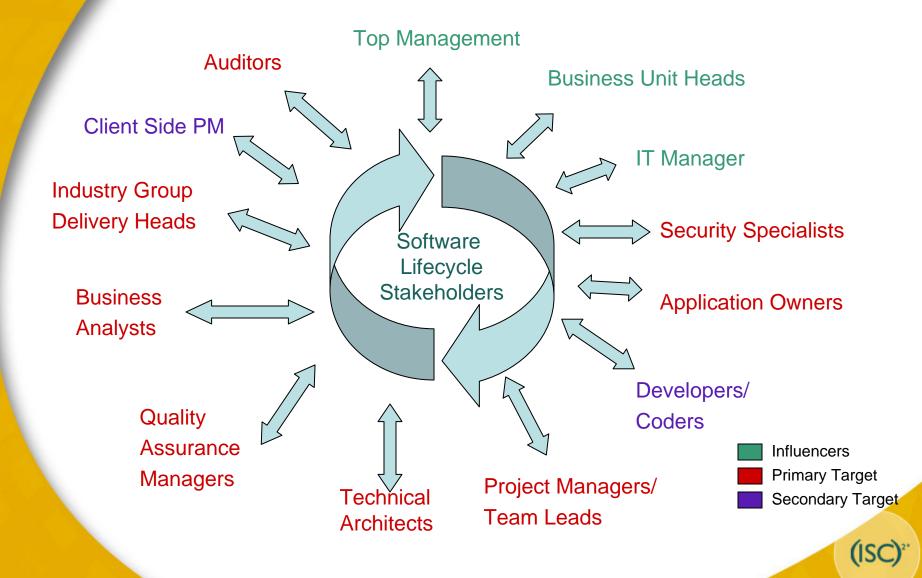
# The (ISC)<sup>2</sup> Approach – The CSSLP?

- Certified Secure Software Lifecycle Professional (CSSLP)
- Base credential
- Professional certification program
- Addresses security in the software lifecycle
- Takes a holistic approach to security in the software lifecycle
- Tests candidates competency (KSAs) to significantly mitigate the security concerns



- The purpose of the Certification is to provide a credential that speaks to the individual's ability to contribute to the delivery of secure software through the use of best practices.
- The target professionals for this Certification would be those who are involved in the Software Life Cycle activities.

### Overview of (ISC)<sup>2</sup> Software Assurance Certification



# **Market Drivers**

- Has emerged as a global concern
- Off shoring of software development
- Minimize the potential for human error
- Software is not developed with security in mind
- Desire to meet growing industry needs

# Certified System Security Lifecycle Professional Scope

### (ISC)<sup>2</sup> CSSLP CBK Domains

- Secure Software Concepts
- Secure Software Requirements
- Secure Software Design
- Secure Software Implementation/Coding
- Secure Software Testing
- Software Acceptance
- Software Deployment, Operations, Maintenance, and Disposal

## **CSSLP** Certification Requirements

#### By Experience Assessment:

- Experience assessment will be open through 3/30/09
- Can be done on-line only
- Candidate will be required to submit:
  - Experience Assessment Application
  - Candidate agreement and agree to adhere to (ISC)<sup>2</sup> Code of Ethics
  - Detailed resume of experience
  - Four (4) essays detailing experience in four (4) of the following knowledge areas
    - Applying Security concepts to Software Development
    - Software Design
    - Software Implementation/Coding
    - Software Testing
    - Software Acceptance
    - Software Deployment, Operations, Maintenance, and Disposal
  - Fee of \$650 with submission of applications

### **CSSLP** Certification Requirements

#### By Examination:

- The first public exam will be held at the end of June 2009
- Candidate will be required to submit:
  - Completed examination registration form
  - Signed candidate agreement and agree to adhere to the (ISC)<sup>2</sup> Code of ethics
  - Proof of 4 years of FTE experience in the Software Development Lifecycle (SDLC) Process or 3 years experience plus a one year waiver of experience for 4 year degree or equivalent in an IT related field
  - Pay a Fee of \$549 early-bird and \$599 standard
- Candidate will be required to
  - Pass the official (ISC)<sup>2</sup> CSSLP certification examination
  - Complete the endorsement process
- The Associate of (ISC)<sup>2</sup> Program will apply to those who have passed the exam but will need to acquire the necessary minimum experience requirements

## **CSSLP** Recertification Requirements

- Pay AMF's annually (\$100.00)
- Earn and submit a minimum of 15 CPE's annually
- Earn and submit 90 CPE's by the end of the 3-year certification cycle
- Adhere to the Code of Ethics

## Future of CSSLP

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- International Marketing Efforts
- ANSI/ISO/IEC17024 accreditation
- Maintenance activities
- Cert Education Program

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