

Application for IT Security and IT Risk Manager

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am very interested in the advertised position of IT Security and IT Risk Manager, as it is precisely at the intersection where I have been working for many years: the practical implementation of IT security and risk management requirements within a highly regulated financial environment.

For more than 25 years, I have worked in the banking and insurance sector, with a clear focus on information security, Identity & Access Management, security governance, and translating regulatory requirements into actionable processes and technical solutions. In both my current and previous roles, I have repeatedly been responsible for developing security frameworks, policies, and governance structures and for embedding them operationally within organisations, processes, and systems.

What particularly appeals to me about this position is the combination of conceptual responsibility and operational implementation. The continuous development of IT security processes, their technical implementation in tool-based solutions, and the assessment of risk analyses have been part of my day-to-day work for many years. I consider it essential not to address security requirements in isolation, but to work closely with business units, IT, and management to develop sustainable, accepted, and audit-ready solutions.

In major transformation and security projects, I have regularly worked across organisational boundaries, represented IT security requirements, and acted as a key interface between governance, architecture, and operations. Supporting the development of security concepts, identifying and assessing risks, and preparing well-founded decision-making materials for stakeholders and committees are among my core competencies.

I work in a structured and analytical manner, place great emphasis on clear communication, and see myself as a service-oriented partner for projects and business units, with the objective of making security effective, understandable, and practical. My background in the financial sector, combined with my experience in regulatory requirements and audits, enables me to integrate quickly and confidently into existing structures.

I would be very pleased to contribute my experience and commitment to your team and to actively support the further development of your IT security and IT risk landscape. I would welcome the opportunity to discuss my background and motivation with you in a personal interview.

Kind regards

Below you will find a detailed overview of my skills and experience in relation to your requirements.

Level 1: Junior

Basic knowledge

Level 2: Professional

Independent application

Level 3: Senior

Independent application, coaching others

Knowledge & Experience	Level	Years of Experience	Project Period	Explanation
Development of IT Security Frameworks & Processes	3	approx. 15	2010–2025	Professional responsibility for the design, further development, and implementation of IT security and IAM governance frameworks in banking and insurance environments, including the IAM Transformation at Credit Suisse and the group-wide IAM programme at Zurich Insurance
Operational Implementation and Technical Integration of Security Processes	3	approx. 12	2013–2025	Implementation of security and data protection processes within IAM and PAM services, including tool-supported processes, in roles such as Service Owner, Workstream Lead, and Business Project Manager
Development of IT Security Policies and Guidelines	3	approx. 14	2011–2025	Development and maintenance of policies, directives, and work instructions relating to access security, IAM, and data protection in accordance with FINMA and internal governance requirements
Continuous Development of Security Policies	3	approx. 10	2015–2025	Adaptation of security policies to new regulatory, organisational, and technological requirements within transformation programmes and audits
Representation of IT Security in Projects and Committees	3	approx. 15	2010–2025	Active representation of IT security and data protection interests in cross-functional projects, architecture boards, and governance committees
Evaluation, Conception and Design of Secure Solutions	3	approx. 12	2013–2025	Assessment of solution designs and architectures with regard to IT security, data protection, need-to-know principles, and operational requirements within IAM and PAM projects
Assessment of Risk Analyses	3	approx. 10	2015–2025	Analysis of IT security, data protection, and access risks, including the definition of mitigation measures in collaboration with Risk, Compliance, and Legal
Development and Review of Security Concepts	3	approx. 12	2013–2025	Development, review, and continuous improvement of security and access concepts for projects and operations

Identification and Assessment of Security Risks	3	approx. 15	2010–2025	Systematic identification and assessment of IT security risks, with a particular focus on access, authorisation, and data protection topics
Development of Solution Proposals and Decision-Making Materials	3	approx. 12	2013–2025	Preparation of risks, mitigation measures, and decision options for management and specialist committees

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IT Security in Banking and Insurance	3	>20	2001–2025	Extensive experience at Credit Suisse and Zurich Insurance in security- and regulation-driven roles
IT Education and IT Security Training	3	>20	1998–2025	Degree in Computer Science, University of Applied Sciences; IT Security Officer (IT-SIBE); ITIL; ISO and security-related further education
Definition and Implementation of IT Security Management Processes	3	approx. 15	2010–2025	End-to-end responsibility for the design, implementation, and operation of IT security and IAM processes
Implementation-Oriented IT Security Policies	3	approx. 12	2013–2025	Practice-oriented security requirements designed for direct implementation in operations and projects, including the definition of IAM Governance for the Swiss Business Unit, the Application Access Definition Matrix, and the introduction of RBAC
Support and Implementation of Security Projects	3	approx. 15	2010–2025	Professional leadership and support of IAM, PAM, and IT security transformation projects
Further Development of Security Architectures	3	approx. 10	2015–2025	Role-based access concepts (RBAC), need-to-know principle, and privileged access management
Analytical and Conceptual Skills	3	>20	2001–2025	Structured analysis of complex IT security, governance, and risk-related issues
Communication Skills and Diplomatic Ability	3	>20	2001–2025	Interface role between IT, Business, Management, Risk, Compliance, and Legal

Assertiveness and Service Orientation	3	>15	2010–2025	Sustainable implementation and embedding of security requirements within the organisation and operational environment
German	3			Excellent written and spoken communication skills
English	3			Professional use in an international environment
Russian	3			Native language