

Francisco Farinha

PENETRATION TESTER

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Personal Profile

Information Security aficionado with an exceptional reputation for researching, analyzing, troubleshooting and eliminating critical issues as effectively as possible.

Developing robust real world experiences in the information security industry as a penetration tester. Interested in a generalist approach to build a well-rounded skillset, engaging in an extensive variety of security tests and attack vectors.

Highly self-motivated, dedicated and committed, with a willingness to grow, adapt and take on new challenges.

Active capture the flag participant to learn and stay relevant in a fast-paced industry. Achieved top 1% on the biggest security learning platform in the world, with over a million users, TryHackMe; and ranked *Pro Hacker* in Hackthebox. Built home labs to test and simulate real world environments.

Effective communicator that has built and led teams of amateur product distributors and trained them on the departments of selling, marketing, influence and social dynamics.

Seeking to leverage my well-rounded skills in a cyber security role.

Work Experience

Swiss Post

Lisbon, Portugal

Penetration Tester

Nov 2023 - Present

- Conducting comprehensive security assessments of the company's internal systems, networks, and applications to identify vulnerabilities and ensure compliance with security policies
- Developing and executing customized testing plans to ensure the company's internal tools and infrastructure met specific security requirements and standards.
- Writing comprehensive reports on internal testing results, highlighting key security risks, recommendations for improvement, and prioritized mitigation strategies.
- Working closely with software development teams to investigate and resolve security issues, providing expertise to ensure vulnerabilities were thoroughly addressed and mitigated.
- Researching to stay updated on the latest malware and security threats.
- **Technical Skills:** Penetration Testing · iOS Testing · Android Testing · Reverse Engineering · Metasploit · Web Application Security · OWASP · Burp Suite · Active Directory · Cloud Security · Azure Entra Id · Open Source Intelligence · Threat Hunting · Computer Networking · Python (Programming Language) · Bash

Devoteam Cybertrust

Lisbon, Portugal

Penetration Tester · Tech Lead

Out 2022 - Nov 2023

- Performing black and grey-box penetration tests on computer systems, networks and applications.
- Detecting methods and entry points that attackers may use to exploit vulnerabilities or weaknesses.
- Leading and supervising a team of pentesters, making sure that everything goes smoothly on the technical side of things.
- Reporting and providing feedback for information security fixes.
- Mentoring and guiding less experienced colleagues on technical and social levels.
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Self-employed

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Videographer

Sep 2017 - Oct 2022

- Advanced video editing in Adobe Premiere Pro.
- Coordination of video productions including brainstorming of ideas, planning, production and post-production editing.
- Collaborated successfully with a variety of personalities and work styles.
- Operated a variety of gear to fulfill project needs, including DSLR cameras, lav mics, steadicams, drones and lighting equipment.
- **Technical Skills:** Adobe Premiere Pro · Videography · Video Editing · Video Production · Audio Editing · DSLR · Cinematography

Self-employed

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Network Marketer

Apr 2016 - Mar 2019

- Direct selling to individuals and serve as a distributor of goods and services, generating over 10k dollars per month in revenue.
- Experienced in delivering comprehensive and engaging presentations.
- Built, trained and led multiple successful sales teams with a major focus on personal development.
- Conducted public presentations for 600+ attendees.
- Traveled and attended the most relevant industry training seminars over 7 different countries.
- **Technical Skills:** Leadership · Social Networking · Sales · Direct Sales · Personal Development · Public Speaking · Communication

Education

Certifications

- PortSwigger 2024
- **Burp Suite Certified Practitioner**
- Altered Security 2024
- **Certified Azure Web Application Security Professional**
- eLearnSecurity 2023
- **Web Application Penetration Tester eXtreme**
 - **Certified Professional Penetration Tester**

Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa

Lisbon, Portugal

Informatics Engineering

2014 - 2016

- **Courses:** Computational Systems Architectures, Computer Networks, Introduction to Programming, Programming Labs, First Order Logic, Physics A

Languages

- English** full working proficiency
- Portuguese** native speaker