



# CESG Certified Professional certification attained in six days.



The information security arm of GCHQ, CESG, is working with other government departments to address the UK's shortage of skilled cyber-security professionals – CESG Certified Professional (CCP) was developed as part of this initiative. APMG works with CESG to deliver this scheme.

## Personal Background

Laure Lydon has worked in information security and governance for 10 years. Currently a Senior Consultant at Ultima Risk Management, Laure provides specialist consultancy, training and management support to a wide range of clients in information governance, information security and risk management.

Laure sought CCP certification, the HMG's standard for cyber security professionals to demonstrate that her skills and experience met a consistently high standard, proving her capability to clients and potential clients alike.

Individuals can choose to be CESG certified in one or more Information Assurance roles, at three levels of competency. Appropriate to her current role, Laure elected to be certified as a Security and Information Risk Advisor, at the most senior level available, Lead Practitioner.

**"I found APMG very easy and helpful to deal with. I had two queries during the course of my application; both were resolved quickly and effectively. The efficiency of APMG's application process and quick resolution of queries were the prime reasons for being able to achieve certification in just six days."**

*Laure Lydon, CCP Lead SIRA, Senior Consultant at Ultima Risk Management*



“As the landscape of global cyber risks grows, it is important for all sectors to access the right skills to effectively address and manage cyber risks and provide information assurance. The CESG Certified Professional (CCP) scheme enables the skills and competence of information assurance professionals to be assessed against comprehensive, professionally recognised and role specific criteria. Demonstrating a benchmarked level of professional experience and capability. With APMGs highly regarded reputation for quality, I had no reservations in choosing them. I found the application process clear and easy to manage. I would recommend APMG to my peers and any industry professionals who are looking to attain CCP status.”



*Laure Lydon, CCP Lead SIRA,  
Senior Consultant at  
Ultima Risk Management*



## Process

Once Laure had determined the role and level she wanted to apply for, she went through APMG's application process. This process involves completing an application, undergoing evaluations, and a telephone interview. Feedback from referees is also incorporated into the process. This rigorous assessment process ensures applicants meet the competencies expected of the role they are applying for. The entire process is online.

Due to Laure's preparation and its straight forward nature – the process was completed in a mere six days.

## Benefits

Having achieved CCP certification, Laure Lydon has experienced the following benefits:

- Independent recognition that her skills and experience meet a high standard.
- Achievement of an industry recognised certification has been useful to demonstrate her capability to meet client requirements and her credentials to provide advice.

CCP at Lead Practitioner level is also a prerequisite for Head Consultants of a service offering in the CESG Certified Cyber Security Consultancy scheme.

## Prove your information assurance skills are of a high standard

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