

information  
assurance

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A photograph of a server room with rows of server racks. The racks are filled with server units, and the room is brightly lit. The perspective is from a low angle, looking down a long aisle between the racks.

identify, understand, reduce and  
manage risk

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## What is Information Assurance?

Information Assurance (IA) is the confidence that information systems will protect the information they carry and will function as they need to, when they need to, under the control of legitimate users. Information is a critical asset to any organisation or individual, as such it should be safeguarded.

From the Information Security and Assurance (IS&A) unit, UK Government Cabinet Office



### For the Public Sector

We have a focus on accreditation and the many support activities associated with it. Our unique experience and approach allows us to take ownership of the through-life accreditation process. We are expert in scoping accreditation activities and defining the wide range of evidence often required to support accreditation decision making. Many of our consultants are approved under the CESG Listed Adviser Scheme (CLAS). Our partners also provide a full range of services under the CESG CHECK scheme.

Amethyst's consultants have provided technical and hands-on operational support services in Computer Network Defence (CND) and the MoD Joint Security Coordination Centre as well as audit monitoring for major network infrastructures.

Our consultants regularly provide knowledge transfer during their assignments. In a recent MOD project our consultant worked closely with the acting Security Assurance Coordinator (SAC), to ensure he gained valuable knowledge and experience of IA policy and processes.

All Amethyst's consultants have government security clearances to access data at least up to Secret, with a number cleared up to Top Secret.

### For the Private Sector

We have a breadth of experience in preparing security policies, security-operating procedures, identification of IT security evaluation requirements and security risk analysis for a wide range of clients.

Amethyst helps businesses achieve their information assurance goals through many routes.

These include:

- Compliance with or certification in ISO/IEC 27001 (Information Security Management Systems) and BS25999 (Business Continuity Management)
- Identification and protection of critical information assets
- Security of the supply chain in accordance with ISO28000 and related US and European initiatives
- Training and awareness
- PCI (Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard)

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Risk Management Limited

**Amethyst's reputation as leaders in IA is based on our core principles of independence, trust, quality and value for money. Our aim is to be the foremost provider of professional security services. We offer leadership in both thought and action.**

**As information security specialists, Amethyst operates in both the government and commercial sectors.**

**We offer a range of information risk management services to identify, understand, reduce and manage risk.**



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amethyst's services in  
information assurance

### Business sectors we operate in

Amethyst's consultants have worked across all business sectors from central Government - defence, criminal justice and law enforcement - to FTSE100 companies and other organisations in the retail, telecoms and financial services sectors.

All Amethyst's services are delivered in accordance with our ISO9001 certified quality procedures.

Whatever business sector you're in, we're here to help.



ISO 9001

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