

# Active Directory Security Assessment



An Active Directory Security Assessment is a process of evaluating the security and configuration of an organization's (Azure) Active Directory ((A)AD) environment. This includes examining the AD configuration settings to assess adherence to best practices, industry standards, and security guidelines. They identify misconfigurations that could potentially expose the network to security risks, such as weak password policies, improper access controls, or insecure authentication settings. Analysis of user accounts, group memberships, and permissions within the (A)AD environment to identify potential privilege escalation vulnerabilities highlights excessive or inappropriate access rights that could allow unauthorized users to gain elevated privileges, compromising the security of the network.

Additionally, Attack Path Analysis visually presents the trust relationships, group memberships, and access control mechanisms within an Active Directory environment, identifying potential attack paths and the potential impact of compromised accounts or misconfigurations on the overall security of the network.

**Aim:** Identify and address security weaknesses, enhance the overall security posture of the (A)AD environment, and ensure compliance with security best practices.

**Deliverables:** A detailed report including an overview of the Active Directory infrastructure; Analysis of potential attack paths; Recommendations for improving the security posture; Prioritization of vulnerabilities; Actionable recommendations to address the identified findings

**Methodology:** Define the objectives and scope; Deploying our data collection and analysis tooling; Vulnerability and misconfiguration identification; Reporting and recommendations report and Follow-up.

## Benefits:

**Enhanced Security:** Performing an Active Directory assessment helps identify security vulnerabilities and misconfigurations within the AD environment. By addressing these weaknesses, organizations can strengthen their security posture and reduce the risk of unauthorized access, privilege escalation, or other security incidents.

**Improved Compliance:** An Active Directory assessment helps organizations ensure compliance with security standards, industry regulations, and internal policies. By identifying gaps between the current AD configuration and the required compliance standards, organizations can take corrective actions to align with the necessary requirements.

**Reduced Attack Surface:** By evaluating the configuration and access controls within Active Directory, organizations can minimize their attack surface. The assessment helps identify and remediate unnecessary privileges, orphaned accounts, inactive users, or other vulnerabilities that could be exploited by attackers.

**Proactive Risk Mitigation:** Regular Active Directory assessments enable organizations to proactively identify and address potential risks before they are exploited by attackers. By staying ahead of security threats and implementing necessary remediation measures, organizations can mitigate risks, prevent incidents, and maintain a secure Active Directory environment.

*Note: Highly advised to conduct regular follow-ups to ensure the effectiveness of the implemented security enhancements and monitor the Active Directory environment for any new risks or vulnerabilities.*