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# PECB Certified ISO/IEC 27701
## Lead Auditor

**Master the audit of a privacy information management system (PIMS) based on ISO/IEC 27701:2025**

## Why should you attend?

During this training course, participants will learn to plan and carry out audits in compliance with ISO 19011, ISO/IEC 17021-1, and ISO/IEC 27706. Additionally, participants will acquire knowledge on audit techniques and become competent to manage an audit program.

Most importantly, this training course provides guidance on auditing the clauses of ISO/IEC 27701:2025, as well as the privacy controls for PII controllers and PII processors. It explains how to evaluate their implementation and effectiveness, as well as how to assess the organization's ability to maintain, monitor, and continually improve its PIMS.

After completing this training course, you can sit for the exam and, if you successfully pass the exam, you can apply for the "PECB Certified ISO/IEC 27701 Lead Auditor" credential. The internationally recognized PECB Lead Auditor certificate proves that you have the capabilities and competencies to audit organizations based on best practices.

## Who should attend?

This training course is intended for:

- Auditors seeking to perform and lead PIMS certification audits
- Managers or consultants seeking to master a PIMS audit process
- Individuals responsible for maintaining conformance with PIMS requirements
- Technical experts seeking to prepare for a PIMS audit
- Expert advisors in the protection of PII

## Course agenda

Duration: 5 days

### Day 1 | Introduction to the privacy information management system (PIMS) and ISO/IEC 27701

- Training course objectives and structure
- Introduction to ISO/IEC 27701 and the PIMS
- Certification process
- Fundamental concepts and principles related to information privacy
- Overview of ISO/IEC 27701 requirements

### Day 2 | Audit principles and the preparation for and initiation of an audit

- Fundamental audit concepts and principles
- The impact of trends and technology in auditing
- Evidence-based auditing
- Risk-based auditing
- Initiation of the audit process
- Stage 1 audit

### Day 3 | On-site audit activities

- Preparing for stage 2 audit
- Stage 2 audit
- Communication during the audit
- Information collection and analysis methods
- Creating audit test plans
- Auditing the requirements of ISO/IEC 27701 – clauses 4 to 10

### Day 4 | Closing the audit

- Auditing the requirements of ISO/IEC 27701 – Annex A controls
- Drafting audit findings and nonconformity reports
- Audit documentation and quality review
- Closing of the audit
- Evaluation of actions plans by the auditor
- Beyond the initial audit
- Managing an internal audit program
- Closing of the training course

### Day 5 | Certification exam

## Learning objectives

By the end of this training course, participants will be able to:

- Explain the fundamental concepts and principles of a privacy information management system (PIMS) based on ISO/IEC 27701
- Interpret the ISO/IEC 27701 requirements for a PIMS from the perspective of an auditor
- Evaluate the PIMS conformity to ISO/IEC 27701 requirements, in accordance with the fundamental audit concepts and principles
- Plan, conduct, and close an ISO/IEC 27701 compliance audit, in accordance with ISO/IEC 17021-1 requirements, ISO 19011 guidelines, and other best practices of auditing
- Manage an ISO/IEC 27701 audit program

## Examination

**Duration: 3 hours**

The "PECB ISO/IEC 27701 Lead Auditor" exam fully meets the PECB Examination and Certification Program (ECP) requirements. It covers the following competency domains:

**Domain 1** | Fundamental principles and concepts of a privacy information management system

**Domain 2** | Privacy information management system requirements

**Domain 3** | Fundamental audit concepts and principles

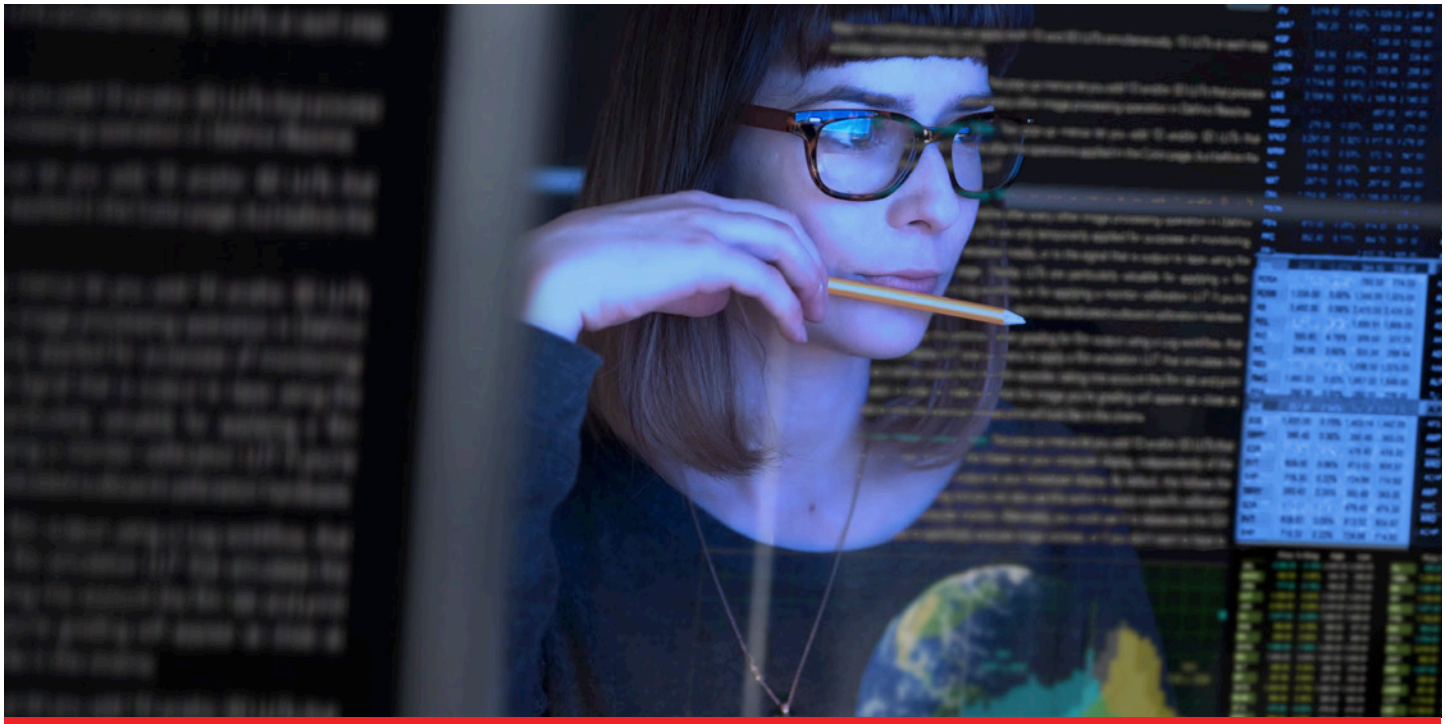
**Domain 4** | Preparing an ISO/IEC 27701 audit

**Domain 5** | Conducting an ISO/IEC 27701 audit

**Domain 6** | Closing an ISO/IEC 27701 audit

**Domain 7** | Managing an ISO/IEC 27701 audit program

For specific information about the exam type, languages available, and other details, please visit the List of PECB Exams and Exam Rules and Policies.



## Certification

After passing the exam, you can apply for one of the credentials in the table below. You will receive a certificate once you fulfill all the requirements of the selected credential.

| Professional credential | Exam | Professional experience | PIMS audit/ assessment experience | Other requirements |
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| **ISO/IEC 27701 Provisional Auditor** | ISO/IEC 27701 Lead Auditor | None | None | Signing the PECB Code of Ethics |
| **ISO/IEC 27701 Auditor** | | **2 years** (1 in privacy management | 200 hours | |
| **ISO/IEC 27701 Lead Auditor** | | **5 years** (2 in privacy management | 300 hours | |
| **ISO/IEC 27701 Senior Lead Auditor** | | **10 years** (7 years in privacy management) | 1000 hours | |

For more information about the PECB certification process, please refer to Certification Rules and Policies.

## General information

- Certificate and examination fees are included in the price of the training course.
- Participants will receive more than 400 pages of comprehensive training materials, including practical examples, exercises, and quizzes.
- Participants who have attended the training course will receive an attestation of course completion worth 31 CPD (Continuing Professional Development) credits.
- Candidates who have completed the training course with one of our partners and failed the first exam attempt are eligible to retake the exam for free within a 12-month period from the course completion date, because the fee paid for the training course includes a first exam attempt and one retake. Otherwise, retake fees apply.