# Mohamed Khalil Mzali

# **Cybersecurity Engineer**

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#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### **Keystone**, Tunis, Tunisia

December – June 2025

# **End-of-Studies Internship**

- Designed and developed Guardian, a PowerShell-based automation tool for Windows system security hardening and compliance auditing aligned with CIS Benchmarks.
- Implemented three core modules: Backup (exports current system and group policy configurations), Protect (applies 23 CIS-aligned security policy categories), and Audit (evaluates compliance and assigns security scores).

# 3S (Standard Sharing Software), Tunis, Tunisia **Internship**

July – September 2024

- Performed an external audit on one of 3S client's web applications for two weeks, uncovered and reported medium severity vulnerabilities.
- Performed an internal audit on-site inside the client's organization, uncovered and reported several critical and high severity vulnerabilities.
- Provided recommendations to mitigate the reported vulnerabilities based on the internal and external assessment results.

#### OffensyLab, Tunis, Tunisia

**Internship** 

June – July 2023

- Performed security research on antivirus bypass techniques.
- Tested various initial access delivery techniques such as embedded malicious macros on word documents with Powershell Empire.

# **EDUCATION**

# ESPRIT - Honoris United Universities Group (British Universities Holding), Tunisia

2020-2025

Engineering Degree in Cybersecurity – Graduated with Highest Honors

# French Baccalaureate – Scientific Section (Mathematics)

**Graduated with Honors** 

#### **CERTIFICATIONS**

- **CRTO** (**Certified Red Team Operator**) from Zero-Point Security
- eJPT (eLearn Junior Penetration Tester) from eLearnSecurity
- Dante, Zephyr and Offshore Professional Labs from HackTheBox
- Blue Team Junior Analyst from Security Blue Team
- Scrum Master from the International Scrum Institute

# **PROJECTS**

#### Next Generation SOC Platform for Banking Organizations using open-source Tools

- Configuration of the LAN network with firewalls (PfSense) and NIPS solutions (Snort).
- Configuration of the SIEM (Wazuh), SIRP (TheHive & Cortex) and DFIR (Velociraptor) solutions inside the SOC area.
- Automation of threat intelligence and incident response with workflows.

# Reverse shells in Nim and Go

Development of reverse shell scripts on NIM and Go that circumvent Antivirus detection.

### **Shellcode Loaders**

Development of shellcode loaders in C++ (Process Injection, DLL Injection).

# **SKILLS** Java, C, C++, C#

Technical Skills: Network Security, Web Application Testing, Active Directory exploitation, Python, NIM, Go,

Soft Skills: Leadership, Analytical Skills, Problem-Solving, Communication, Teamwork

# **LANGUAGES**

English (TOEFL C1) French (Full Professional proficiency) Spanish (Limited Working proficiency) Arabic (Native)