

P²SeMS — Standards & Practices

Course Syllabus · Learn the standard that makes protective security a system

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Why you are here. Every lesson in P²SeMS was paid for at a real incident. This syllabus turns that hard-won record into a course an authority can learn from, measure itself against, and be certified to. If you protect a port, an airport, or the community around it, this is the standard that lets you prove you are ready — before the day you need to be.

Who this is for

Police and security leaders, airport and seaport executives, engineering and public-works directors, CISOs and technology leaders, emergency managers, and the boards, insurers and regulators who rely on them. P²SeMS defines responsibility by function, not job title, so whatever your role, there is a seat for you in it.

What you will gain

- A shared language for security across every function — so police, security, engineering, cyber and executives finally describe “good” the same way.
- A way to see your own readiness honestly — an evidence-based score across fifteen chapters, not a feeling.
- The confidence to demonstrate readiness to a board, an insurer, or a regulator — with evidence, not assurances.
- A path to recognised certification — and a community of authorities on the same journey.

How the course is built

P²SeMS is set out in fifteen chapters, each taught the same way — a structure that makes it both learnable and certifiable:

Part A — The Standard the requirements: what a ready authority does.

Part B — Implementation how each function delivers it, with a first-90-days path.

Part C — Lessons Case a real event that shows why the requirement exists.

The whole system runs on one cycle — Plan • Execute • Verify • Act — so learning never stops at knowing; it ends at proving.

The curriculum

Learning unit	What it covers (chapters)	By the end you can...
1 · Foundations	Why P ² SeMS exists (1); Responsibility & Governance (2); The Four Security Domains (3)	Stand up governance and treat physical, personnel, information and cyber as one system.
2 · Risk & the Cycle	Risk & the Risk Register (4); Plan•Execute•Verify•Act (5)	Build a defensible risk register and run security as a measured, continuous cycle.
3 · People & Intelligence	The Security Community — See Say Act (6); Intelligence-Led Security (7)	Turn staff and the public into a reporting network and drive posture from intelligence.
4 · Operational Readiness	Operational Capability (8); Communications & Interoperability (9); Readiness, Crisis & Resilience (10)	Field a capability that is staffed, connected, rehearsed, and able to sustain a prolonged, all-hazards event.
5 · Assurance & Improvement	Security Assurance (11); Technology & Data (12); Organisational Learning (13); Continual Improvement (14)	Prove performance with evidence, govern your technology and data, and keep improving after every event.
6 · Certification	Operational Assurance & Certification (15)	Take your authority to a recognised certification.
Applied annexes	Protective design for new build & refurbishment; Counter-UAS (drones); a CISO briefing	Design security into your estate, meet the drone threat, and connect cyber leadership into the whole.

How you learn it

- Read — the Standard and its plain-language implementation guidance, chapter by chapter.
- Assess — score yourself with the self-assessment workbook; every rating backed by evidence.
- Exercise — test your readiness through measurable, simulation-based exercises (REDI), from tabletop to full-scale.
- Facilitate — run guided sessions with your team using the facilitator's guide and worked examples.
- Certify — close the gaps, re-measure, and pursue certification.

The certification pathway

Built to P²SeMS self-declared and desktop-verified — you have adopted the system.

P²SeMS Assured independently assessed on site — your readiness is proven.

ASCS / SSCS Airport / Seaport sector certification — the full standard, localised to your jurisdiction.

Bring it to your authority

You do not have to build a security system from scratch, and you do not have to learn its lessons the hard way — others already paid for them. Start with the two-page synopsis, measure yourself with the workbook, and talk to us about the path to certification. Explore the interactive prototype, and join a growing community of authorities making the world's ports and airports measurably safer — port by port.

Interactive prototype: startling-florentine-f9f59e.netlify.app

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