

## Case Study

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# Black Hat + Duo

## Black Hat Makes Duo Directory Its Worldwide IdP

An internationally recognized cybersecurity event series, Black Hat chose Duo's security-first IAM solution to strengthen security at events while enhancing user experience

### Challenges

Black Hat Conference showcases breakthrough innovations in cybersecurity at events worldwide. With Identity taking center stage, Black Hat expanded its use of Cisco Duo to meet modern goals for strong, “security-first” identity and access management (IAM) that improves – rather than compromises – user experience (UX).

Principal Architect Steve Fink, who leads the team alongside Neil “Grifter” Wyler and Bart Stump in managing Black Hat’s network and security operations



centers, explains that securing premier events presents numerous unique challenges.

“Our first obligation to the show is to build an enterprise-grade network that’s ultra-secure in about 48 hours,” Fink says. “We spin up an entire network and set up our operations center within three days, monitor the network during the conference for seven days, and tear it all down within a few hours.”

“Duo continuously adds more features to make the process simpler and more secure, and the culmination of that is Duo Directory providing identity for

