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pratique pour les contrôles de sécurité de l'information fondés sur  
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## **Summary**

Recommendation ITU-T X.1631 | ISO/IEC 27017 provides guidelines for information security controls applicable to the provision and use of cloud services by providing:

- additional implementation guidance for relevant controls specified in ISO/IEC 27002;
- additional controls with implementation guidance that specifically relate to cloud services.

This Recommendation | International Standard provides controls and implementation guidance for both cloud service providers and cloud service customers.

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## **Introduction**

The guidelines contained within this Recommendation | International Standard are in addition to and complement the guidelines given in ISO/IEC 27002.

Specifically, this Recommendation | International Standard provides guidelines supporting the implementation of information security controls for cloud service customers and cloud service providers. Some guidelines are for cloud service customers who implement the controls, and others are for cloud service providers to support the implementation of those controls. The selection of appropriate information security controls and the application of the implementation guidance provided, will depend on a risk assessment and any legal, contractual, regulatory or other cloud-sector specific information security requirements.