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**Cyber Risk  
Governance**  
slides

# Cyber Risk Governance

Leveling up in an Age of New Regulations and AI

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# Today's Agenda

9:00-9:20	Welcome
9:20-10:45	<b>Cyber Risk Governance and Organization – Getting cybersecurity out of the box</b>
10:45-11:50	<b>CRG Table Discussions:</b> Cross-functional cyber risk governance discussions
11:50-12:25	Networking lunch
12:25-2:00	<b>The AI Juggernaut and Cyber Risk Governance</b>
2:00-3:30	<b>AI Network Breakouts:</b> Strengthening peer networks, unpacking AI opportunities
3:30-4:30	<b>Fireside Chat:</b> Threats, Responses and Federal Initiatives
4:30-5:30	Networking reception sponsored by Red Sense





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## Our Mission

The Boston-based ACSC **advances member cyber defense strategies** through regional, national and global practice-sharing networks of industry leaders and provides professional opportunities for rising talent.

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Tapping innovative leaders to enhance the CISO challenge agenda, thought leadership in NDA covered convenings

## Exercises



## Cloud native security



## Third party risk



## Detection & response



## Governance & risk



and our new 2024 Research Partner



# ACSC's Three Readiness Pillars



# Team Readiness

## 2023 Exercise Schedule

Table Top



October 17-18

**Annual  
Table Top  
Exercise**

Cyber Range



July 25-Aug 2  
Wrap session  
August 3

**Defender  
Challenge  
#1**

September  
18-21

**Live Fire,  
Full Team  
Exercise**

Nov 28-Dec 6  
Wrap session  
Dec 7

**Defender  
Challenge #2**

January TBD  
Wrap session  
January TBD

**Defender  
Challenge #3**





# Corporate Board Report

## THE BOARD-MANAGEMENT STRUGGLE WITH CYBER RISK GOVERNANCE

The report was developed from interviews with 27 cybersecurity executives, risk officers, corporate Board members, and advisors and legal counsels



# Cyber Risk Governance: Engaging Senior Management and Boards

*A practice-sharing collaborative of CISOs, Risk Officers, Legal Counsels*

## Cyber Governance & Risk: Getting Ahead of the Regulators

Rob Knake,  
Principal Deputy  
National Cyber  
Director (acting),  
**The White House**

March 30



## Managing & Communicating Cyber Risk as Business Risk: Priority-setting & Metrics

Lead organizations:  
**Harvard University**  
**Munich Re**

June 22



## Cyber Insurance & Risk Management

Leads organizations:  
**Marsh McLennan**  
**State Street**

July 27



## Embedding Risk in Strategic Decision-making

Lead organizations:  
**Schneider Electric**  
**Dell Technologies**

September 28



## Cyber Risk Governance and Organization – Getting cybersecurity out of the box

Key participants:  
**All of you**

November 8



# Cyber Risk Governance Artifacts

Board Questions &  
Effective Board  
Engagement

Key Indicators of a  
Mature Cyber  
Organization

Top 5 Considerations  
for Effectively  
Communicating Cyber  
Risk to Boards and  
Senior Management

## The message from Board members and advisors

“We are asking the same fundamental questions and getting the same bad answers...”

Board member, retired CIO



## Three major factors driving the need for change

- New accountability for boards
- Increasing complexity (and risk) in the digital world
- The impact of CEO leadership



## Board and CEO leadership drive the culture

“The importance of the Board’s role in promoting a cyber-focused mindset and a cyber-conscious culture throughout the organization cannot be overstated.”

A New Chapter in Cyber – On The Board’s  
Agenda | Deloitte, June 2022

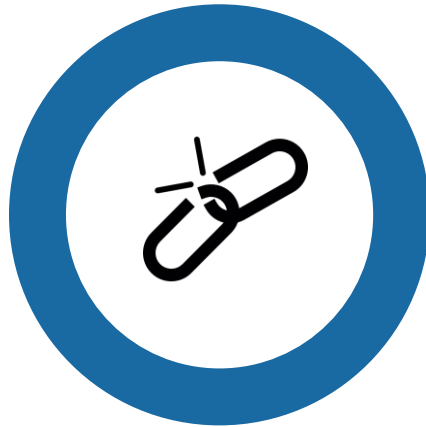


# Corporate Board Report framing elements

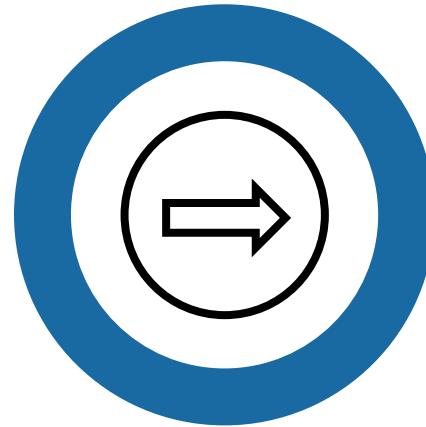
- The Board's strategic risk role
- Cyber risk frameworks
- The evolving CISO role, management structures



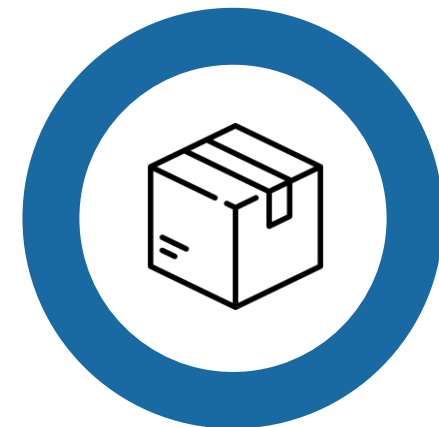
# The Board's strategic risk role



Continuing  
disconnect



A one way  
conversation



Cybersecurity  
In a box





# Cyber risk frameworks

- A **continuing challenge** – operational frameworks dominate
- New generation of **risk and resilience-based frameworks**
- Do we need a **GAAP for cyber**?



## The evolving CISO role, management structures

“Companies still haven’t clearly defined what their CISO does. If they did, it would be clear whom they should report to.”

“There is an obvious tension between CIO/CISO priorities. Regulators care, does your board know that?”

**But it’s not all about the CISO – is cyber responsibility embedded across the organization?**



# The Board's three primary responsibilities

## Board members should assure:

1. Cybersecurity risks have been incorporated into strategic business decisions, including mergers and acquisitions
2. A systematic risk framework and operational controls are in place, aligned with high priority risks and legal/regulatory/compliance requirements
3. Through continuous assessment and performance metrics, those programs are producing more security

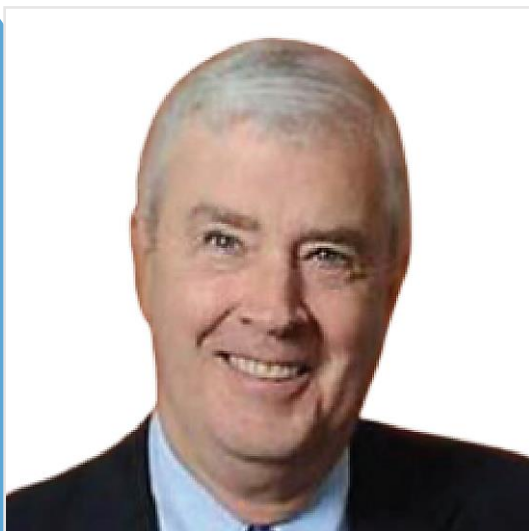




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## Cyber Risk Governance Board Engagement



**Bob Nesbit**  
Defense Science Board

MITRE SVP – Center for  
Integrated Intelligence  
Systems (retired)



**Larry Quinlan**  
Service Now  
Board Director

Deloitte Global CIO  
(retired)

# Incidents where attackers breach the network perimeter

1. Do you know who they were?
2. Do you know what they were after?
3. How far did they get before being detected?
4. What failed that allowed them to get this far?
5. What are you going to do about it?

*As presented by Bob Nesbit*



# The previous example covered network security

*Beyond that, additional topics could be handled with the Board **in a similar fashion***

- How is employee access to the company's data and networks being managed?
- Have you carefully identified the company's most important assets and how well are they being protected?
- How resilient would the company be following a successful attack?
- What is the process we are using to prioritize cyber risks and allocate investments against our greatest risks?

*As presented by Bob Nesbit*



# Suggestions for dealing with the Board on cyber security

1. Speak English.
2. Make it real. Nothing theoretical. Nothing bureaucratic.
3. Do not sugar-coat things.
4. Keep a constant format meeting to meeting.
5. Devise ways the Board can easily track progress.
6. Speak English.

*As presented by Bob Nesbit*





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## Cyber Risk Governance The Risk Officer Perspective



**Sonya Ross**  
Harvard University



**Evan Wheeler**  
CapitalOne



# Cyber risk is pervasive

