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Enterprise Risk Management
Strategy

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ORGANIZE A STRATEGY

The logic for search and seizure is that if the source of the evidence is illegal, so is the evidence that came from the source. Following, if any part of the network access chain is compromised, all other points of the chain are compromised.

Under the umbrella of Cybersecurity ERM aligning with Zero Trust, how do you get buy in from the business areas?

- Speak to the business SME(s) about their objectives to confirm your understanding.
- Demonstrate through risk scenarios how the business processes aligned with the asset always have a potential to create risk - real-world threats and vulnerabilities.
- Next align security with protecting brand and potential monetary impact.
- Finally, include the subjective aspects of the organization - culture and skill sets to discern the degree of effort required to reap the expected benefits.
- Record in a Risk Register

IDENTIFY TOP CYBER THREATS

- Malware
- Social engineering
- Phishing
- Ransomware
- Insider threats
- DDOS attacks

RECOGNIZE EVOLVING CHALLENGES

- IoT: exponential connectivity
- Vulnerable supply chains
- Transition to cloud, hybrid cloud, and edge platforms
- Emerging tech landscape:
 - Artificial intelligence



Risk Management Maturity – Cybersecurity Baked into the Business

Compliance Point in Time Analysis

Not Strategic In Nature
Policies and IT Operations do not handle "Exceptions" well to address the changing Threat Landscape



- ✓ Acquiring New Companies
- ✓ Introducing New Technology
- ✓ New or changing Applications
- ✓ Cloud Technologies
- ✓ New or changing Business Process

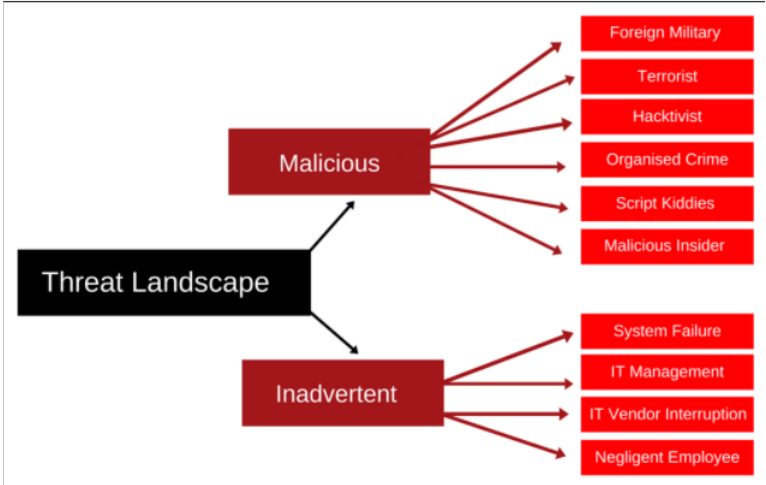
Versus

Business treated as Cybersecurity driven not limited to an IT Responsibility

Security goals baked into Business Requirements to protect the confidentiality of data, preserve the integrity of data, promote the availability of data for authorized users?

Cybersecurity Real Time Analysis

Understand the changing Threat Landscape
Continuous Monitoring & Analysis



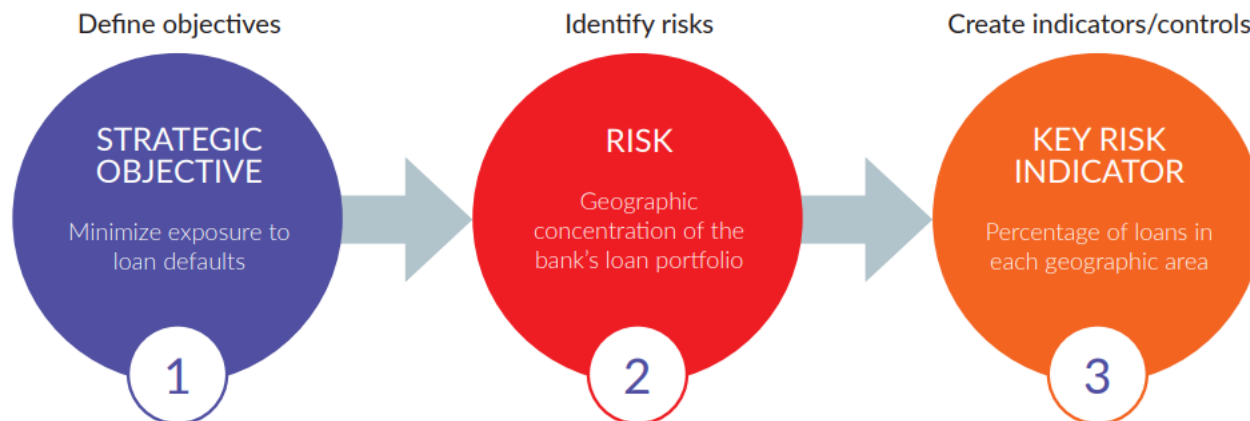
Metric Distinctions

The metrics key performance indicators (KPIs) (point in time/has already taken place) also called lagging indicators. Key Risk Indicators (KRIs) (event has not yet occurred but probability exists can occur, also called leading (KRI) indicators.

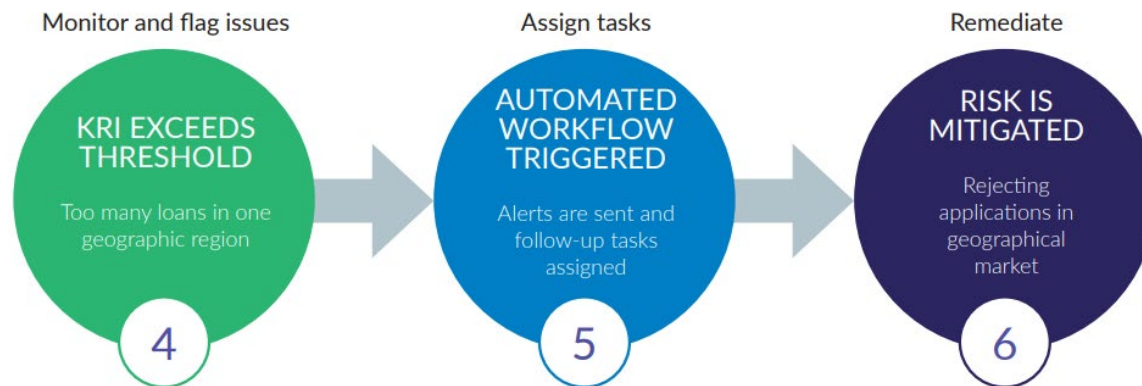
KCIs normally focus on controls, monitoring the operations and effectiveness of those controls. They provide direct insight into a specific control activity, procedure, or process which was not implemented or followed correctly

- KRI = Too many loans in one geographic region (*Trend*)
- KPI = number of loans for clients who have past defaults
- KCI = number of clients with insufficient collateral coverage not detected

Example:



The organization has a (1) strategic objective to minimize its exposure to loan defaults. A (2) key risk in this case might be the geographic concentration of the institution's loan portfolio. So, a (3) KRI might be the percentage of loan applications in the institution's largest geography.



Once a certain (4) threshold is crossed (e.g., too many of our new loans are being made in a single geography), (5) alerts and follow-up workflows can be set to engage the appropriate people so they will (6) take action by rejecting more applications in that geographical market.

Core Objective: Evaluating how well the business solutions uphold the company's risk appetite

A solid KRI process brings advantages to a firm. Risk is not just a threat it is a business opportunity as well. Key Risk Indicators are parameters that effectively measure risks involved in the business procedure and provides us with prior notification of its possible harmful consequences, e.g., Enterprise Risk Management (ERM).

| Risk Identified | KRI | Department |
|---|---|--|
| Delay in resolving issues may impact business reputation, loss of business and legal issues. | The average amount of time required for the support team to diagnose, resolve, and close an IT support request. | IT Systems Management |
| Lack of customer satisfaction will lead to the loss of customers and business failures. | Percentage of satisfied customers to total customers. | Marketing/Sales |
| Lack of training will enable attackers to gain access to confidential information that results in financial losses and even legal and regulatory compliance issues. | An increase in social engineering and phishing attacks. | Information Security & Security Operations / Cybersecurity |

Determine the organization's Top Risks

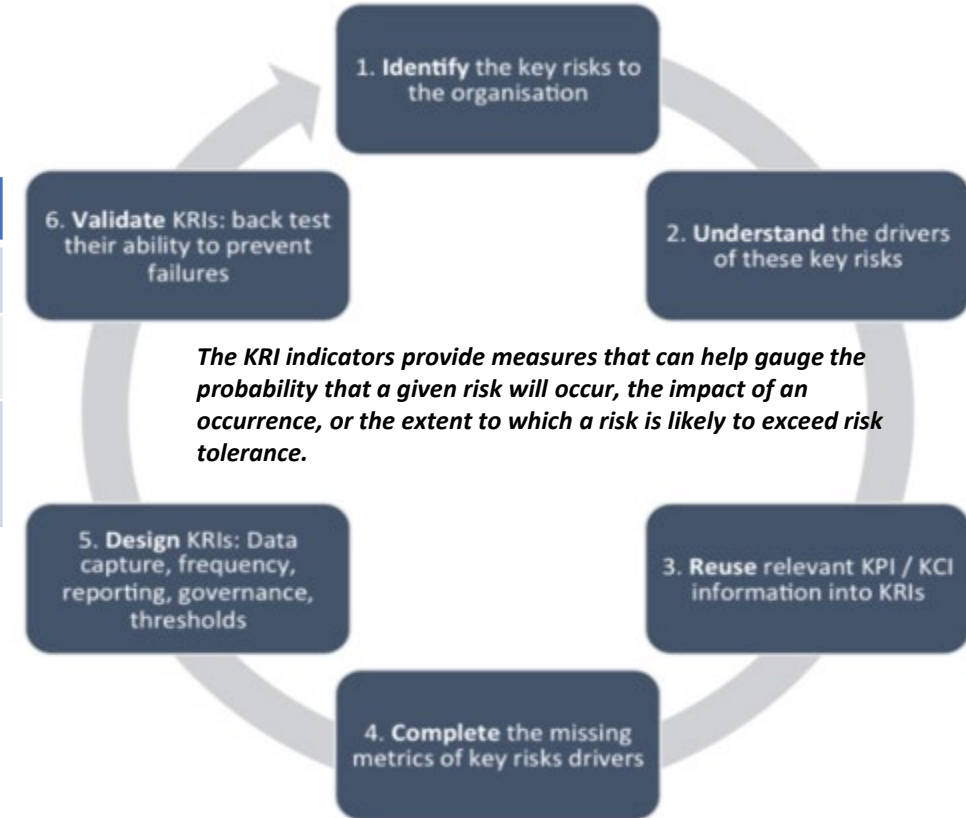
Focus on the potential financial, operational, and reputational impact associated with critical assets aligned with a business process.

Monitoring the organization's risk posture trending.

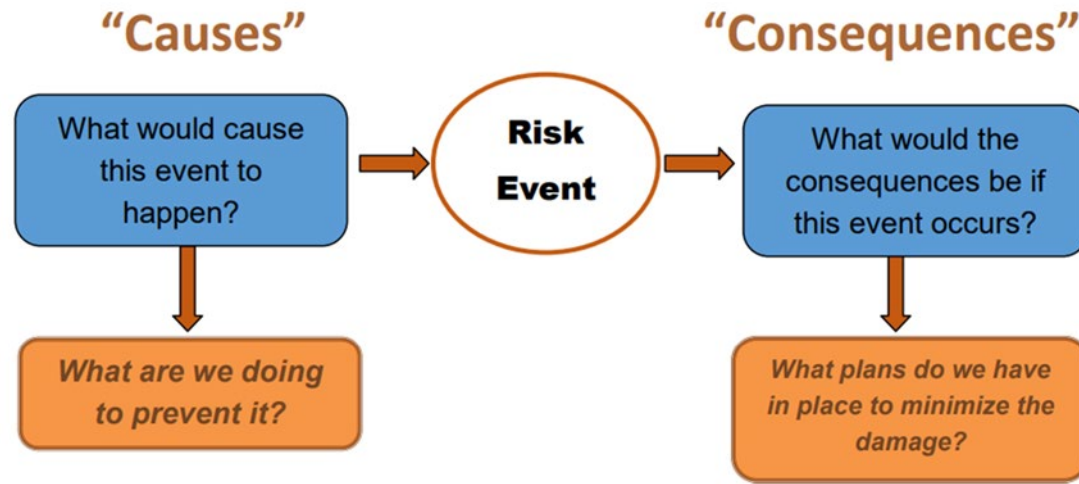
Is risk increasing or decreasing?

Compare the company's current performance (protecting sensitive data, operational or logistical risks, preventing data breaches, etc.) against the organization's risk appetite.

Leading Rather than Lagging Indicators



KRI Examples Proactive Risk Management



***KRI
Applies to
Any type of
Risk,
Anywhere,
Anytime***

***Not a point in time
solution***

| Risk Identified | KRI | Domain |
|---|---|------------------------|
| Unauthorized access by third parties resulting from access misuse. | Percentage of third parties with access control issues identified as a critical risk. | Vendor Risk Management |
| The policies, standards, or procedures not followed resulting in exception approvals | The percentage in increase in policy exceptions from last year. | Privacy Policies |
| Lack of control over privacy data will lead to loss of confidential information, legal issues, and failure to comply with privacy regulations like CCPA and GDPR. | Percentage of high-risk issues newly identified during privacy impact assessments. | Privacy by Design |
| Current Indicators or Operational KRI's | | |
| Lack of systems availability will result in the organization not able to meet business needs and failure of services. | Increase or decrease in time system availability compared to scheduled availability over a period of time. | Systems Management |
| Delay in resolving issues may impact business reputation, loss of business and legal issues. | Increase or decrease in time required for the support team to diagnose, resolve, and close an IT support request. | IT Systems Management |
| Lack of up to date patches may impact performance as well as increased exposure to vulnerabilities impacting the business. | Increase or decrease in Critical Systems without Up-to-Date Patches. | Systems Management |
| Failure of controls over privileged access may lead to data breaches and access to sensitive data causing reputational damage. | Anomalies in Privileged User Account Activity | Access Control |
| | Other examples include a large number of requests for a particular data file or access to a particular server, suspicious registry changes, suspicious changes to the files, etc. | |

Business and Security Collaboration

Agile in nature

Enterprise Risk Management (ERM): ERM is the process of identifying and addressing methodically the potential events that represent risks to the achievement of strategic objectives and provides the opportunity to gain competitive advantage.

Purpose of Risk Register

Integrated Enterprise Risk Management Program: The organization and cybersecurity are in lockstep. Business units implement best cybersecurity practices as part of the day-to-day business.



Business Unit works with Cyber/ERM lead to begin building the data for the Risk Register creating the baseline of assets and processes within each Business Unit.

Subsequent follow-up data gathering/ Brainstorming Sessions to continue to build Risk Register; create risk statements, discuss threats and impact to each business process/function.

Threat Analyst then adds Threat Intelligence where applicable.

Threat Analyst creates the Proactive Cybersecurity Risk Scenario for continuous monitoring.

Cyber ERM, Security Operations and Business Unit Leads discuss current control set(s) and any additional mitigation strategies.

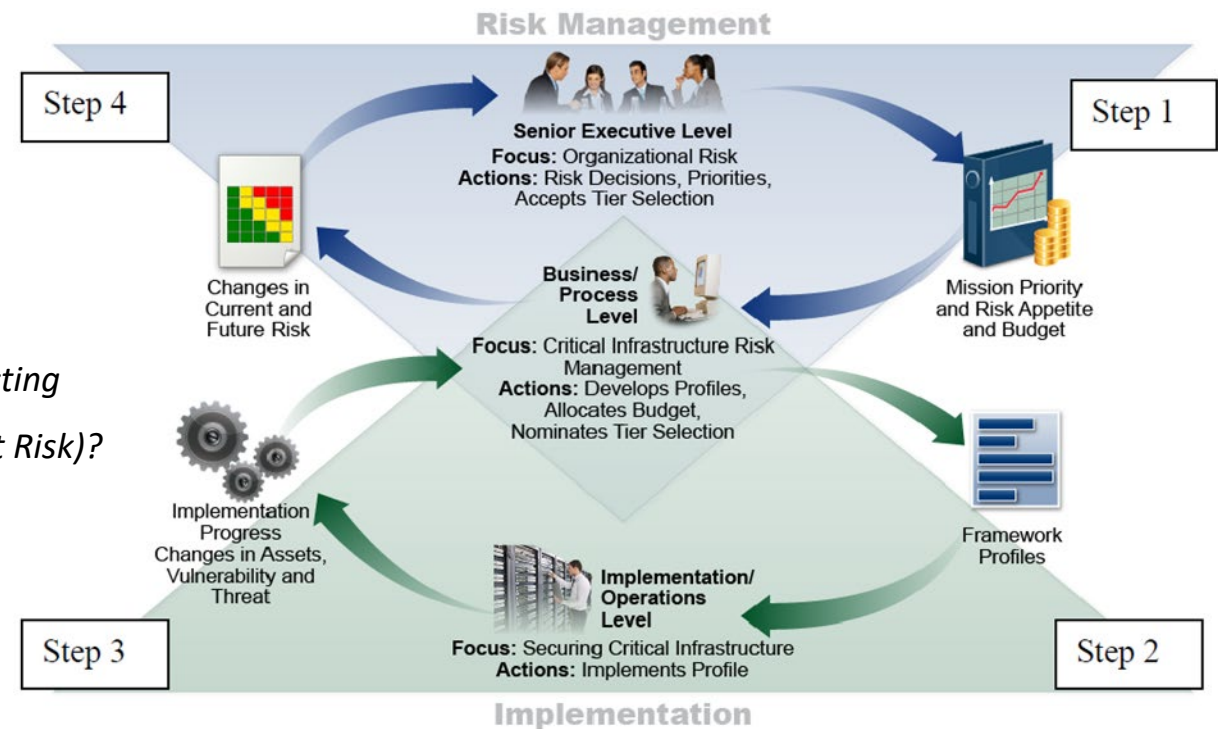
Brainstorming Sessions A Collaborative Effort Risk Register

Risk Register: The relationship between various risk indicators and their causes The Risk Advisor of a firm (along with the respective business owners) assesses all its risks and scores their severity according to probability (or likelihood) and impact, it is then possible to determine the key risks.

What does the conversation look like to create the Risk Register?

1. What are the business processes?
2. What are the associated assets?
3. What if any are the shared resources?
4. What are the potential key risks?
5. Who is the most likely threat actor(s), e.g., internal, external?
6. What are the potential business impact conditions, e.g., affecting Financial Systems, Operational, Reputational/Brand (Inherent Risk)?
7. What are the current control sets applied?

Risk Advisor Meets with Business Leads to Discuss Potential Risks



The Risk Register provides an important mechanism for recording and communicating risk decisions.

Consider Risk Categories

- HARM TO OPERATIONS
- HARM TO ASSETS
- HARM TO OTHER ORGANIZATIONS
- HARM TO INDIVIDUALS
- HARM TO OTHER NATIONS

Cyber Risk Quantification: In business, risk exposure is often used to rank the probability of different types of losses to determine which losses are acceptable or unacceptable and the cost to the business if loss is realized.



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|--|---|
| HARM TO OPERATIONS Conditions affecting Clients, Products, & Business Practices; product defects, fiduciary breaches | Non-Compliance with Regulatory and Contractual Requirements-- The threat covers the possibility that individual employees fail to comply with their respective responsibilities under applicable regulation and/or contractual requirements or The threat covers the possibility that a compliance requirement is understood incorrectly, and the requirement is not met. |
| HARM TO ASSETS Conditions affecting Damage or Loss to information systems and networks | Threat of Information and Information Processing Availability and Integrity Failures-- CIA Triad |
| HARM TO OTHER ORGANIZATIONS Conditions affecting Domestic or Foreign Market Interference | Internal - The average amount of time required for the support team to diagnose, resolve, and close an IT support request exceeds the SLA. |
| HARM TO INDIVIDUALS Identity Theft | Ineffective monitoring of Log file Data, e.g., PII in clear text |
| HARM TO OTHER NATIONS Conditions affecting Domestic or Foreign Market Interference | Attack Patterns: indicators leading to suspicion of leaks or data exfiltration with business process |

Key Threat Categories

Key Threat Categories (Which are the most likely aligned with the Risk)

- Communications Failure-- Unavailability of Service Provider, Failure of data link Accidental delay in delivery, and Accidental denial of service Coordination between internal organizations.
- Non-Compliance with Regulatory and Contractual Requirements-- The threat covers the possibility that individual employees fail to comply with their respective responsibilities under applicable regulation and/or contractual requirements or The threat covers the possibility that a compliance requirement is understood incorrectly, and the requirement is not met.
- Unauthorized/Inappropriate Access-- The threat covers the possibility that development personnel have unauthorized or inappropriate access to production environments associated with information system assets or SDLC is not consistently followed.
- Ineffective Change Management Systems-- The threat covers the possibility of using multiple systems for change management allowing for multiple processes which do not have similar controls or conflicting controls ultimately resulting in service performance, confidentiality or availability issues.
- Asset Availability-- The threat covers the possibility that software or hardware assets are not available during critical times.
- Unauthorized Access or Use of a System-- The threat covers the possibility of individuals using information system assets for unauthorized purposes, including but not limited to production systems, network devices and software.
- Threat modeling is not an integral component of Software Development
- Ineffective monitoring of Log file Data, e.g., PII in clear text

Align Business Risk with Security Operations Incident Management

Use this information as part of the Risk Register to determine the Impact

Security Risk
Levels
Associated with
Business
Impact

A Common Language

| IMPACT | Inherent External Customer Facing (An incident visible to general public or has implications for company Brand Image) | Inherent Internal/Business Partner Facing (An incident involving external parties and may have implications for company Brand) | Inherent Internal Business Critical (An incident that does not involve external parties and is not publicly known, but is propagated throughout company) | Inherent Internal Non-Business Critical (An incident that does not involve external parties and is not publicly known, limited to few company critical assets). |
|-------------------------------|---|--|--|---|
| Very High – > 1M + | A direct and significant threat to company brand. Financial loss has likely occurred and directly impacts a wide customer base. Security Example: Ransomware whereby Defacement of Public Website or Member Services may be affected. Large- scale disclosure of customer’s PII. | A direct and significant threat to the internal company B2B related information assets or business partners. Financial loss is likely in such incidents and impact to business partners(s) may be widespread. Security Example: Large scale disclosure of company data. | A direct and significant threat to internal company business critical assets. Some financial loss is likely in such incidents and impact to internal business units may be widespread. Security Example: Unauthorized access to a privileged account on a mission critical system or application. | A direct and significant threat to internal company non-business critical information assets. Some financial/ monetary loss is likely in such incidents and impact to internal business units may be widespread. Security Example: non-business critical hosts that are connected to externally facing business critical assets. |
| High – 500K to 1M | An Indirect and potential Threat to company Brand. Financial Loss has likely occurred (but unrealized) in such incidents and customer impact may be intermittent | An indirect and potential threat to internal company B2B related information assets or business partners. Financial loss has likely occurred (but unrealized) in such incidents and impact to business partner(s) may be intermittent. | An indirect and potential threat to internal company business critical information assets. Some financial loss may be possible (but unrealized) in such incidents and impact to internal business units may be intermittent. | A direct and significant threat to internal company non-business critical information assets. Some financial loss is likely in such incidents and impact to internal business units may be widespread. |
| Moderate – 250K - 500K | May involve a potential (but unrealized) threat to company brand. No financial loss expected in such incidents and customer impact may be minimal. In some cases, anomalous but unconfirmed security incidents may be classified under this level. | May involve a potential (but unrealized) threat to internal company B2B related information assets or business partners. No financial loss expected in such incidents and impact to business partner(s) may be minimal. Incidents do not involve loss of sensitive data. | May involve a potential (but unrealized) threat to the company’s information assets. In some cases, anomalous, but unconfirmed security incidents, may be classified at this level. The impacted not expected to be significant. | May involve a potential (but unrealized) threat to a limited number of the company’s information assets. In some cases, anomalous, but unconfirmed security incidents, may be classified at this level. |
| Low - < 250K | Security Operations Example: Public Facing server affected by a virus which does not export sensitive data. | Security Operations Example: Repeated failed login attempts to B2B systems or applications. | Security Operations Example: A single system or workstation infected with a known form of malware (a virus with a confirmed signature). | Security Operations Example: Include: Small number of internal systems affected by a virus. |

$$\text{Cyber Risk} = \text{Threat} \times \text{Vulnerability} \times \text{Information/Asset Value}$$

Controls Section

Control Categories

A **risk** is a possibility of suffering harm or loss, or “what can go wrong”



Example:
The Airline Industry
Risks: Terrorism,
Bankruptcy...

| Control Types | Description | Examples |
|---------------------|--|--|
| Preventive Controls | Prevent undesirable events from occurring Facilitate desirable events | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> System controls preventing unauthorized access Restrictions of user overrides Segregation of duties Dual entry of sensitive managerial transactions |
| Detective Controls | Identify/Detect undesirable events | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exception reports, management review and action taken on the exceptions |

Example:
The Airline Industry
Preventive?

- **Manual** (performed by people)
 - ❖ Examples: Authorizations, Management reviews
- **Automatic** (embedded in application code)
 - ❖ Examples: Exception reports, Interface controls, System access



Example:
The Airline Industry
Manual controls? Automatic controls?

Non-Technical Controls Use Cases

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| Authorization | Approval of transactions executed and access to assets and records only in accordance with management's general or specific policies and procedures. | Authorization limits. |
| Configuration/ Account Mapping | "Switches" to secure data against inappropriate processing. | Screen layouts with required fields. |
| Exception/ Edit Reports | Reports are generated to monitor something and exceptions are followed up to resolution. (Exception - a violation of a set standard, Edit - a change to a master file). | Reports of transactions exceeding limits. |
| Interface/ Conversion Controls | Controls over moving data between computer systems. Process used to migrate data from a legacy system. | Interface between AP system and GL system. |
| Key Performance Indicators | Financial and non-financial quantitative measurements that are collected by the entity and used to evaluate progress toward meeting objectives. | A/R over 90 days. |
| Management Review | A person different from the preparer analyzing evidence and performing oversight of the activities performed. | Manager review of reconciliations. |
| Reconciliation | Check whether two items (account balances, computer systems) are consistent. Items must be from different systems or records. | Reconciliation of A/R to G/L. |
| Segregation of Duties | Separation of duties and responsibilities for authorizing transactions, recording transactions and maintaining custody. | Staff who bill accounts receivable do not post cash collections. |
| System Access | Capabilities that individual users or groups of users have within a computer information system as determined by access rights are configured in the system. | Password protection linked to level of access. |

- Human Resources Security
- Covered Entity
- Performance Evaluation
- Personnel Security
- Consent And Authorization
- Confidential Communications
- Policies And Procedures
- Privacy Safeguards
- Program Management

- Non-retaliation
- Use And Disclosure
- Workforce Sanctions
- Supplier Relationships
- Audit And Accountability
- Administrative Safeguards
- Physical And Environmental Protection

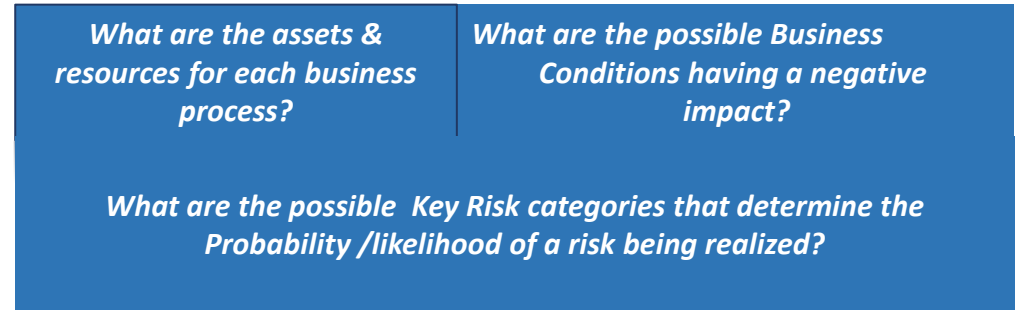
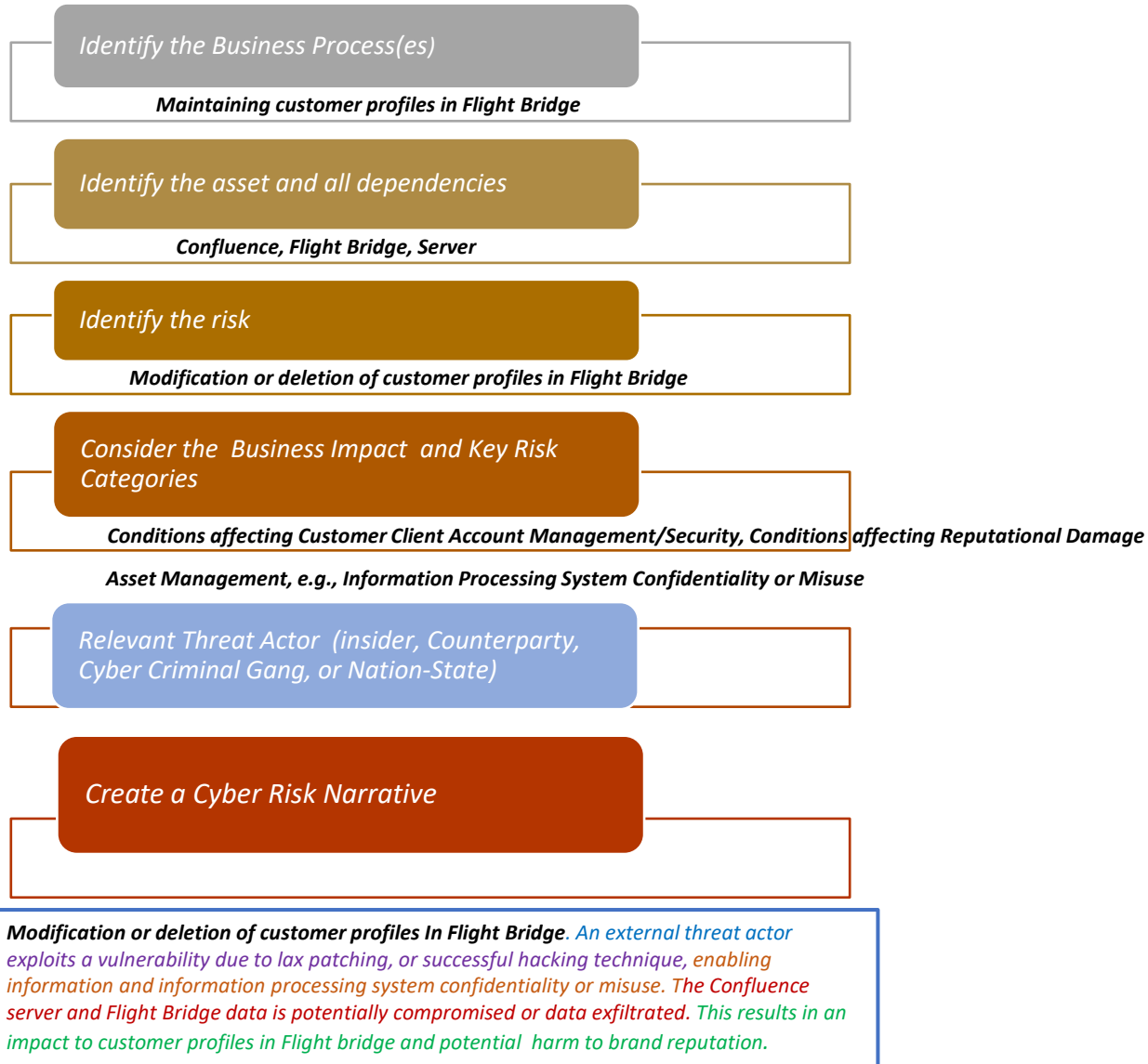
NIST Control Set

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| PROTECT (PR) | <p>Access Control (PR.AC): Access to assets and associated facilities is limited to authorized users, processes, or devices, and to authorized activities and transactions.</p> <p>Awareness and Training (PR.AT): The organization's personnel and partners are provided cybersecurity awareness education and are adequately trained to perform their information security-related duties and responsibilities consistent with related policies, procedures, and agreements.</p> | <p>PR.AC-1: Identities and credentials are managed for authorized devices and users</p> <p>PR.AC-2: Physical access to assets is managed and protected</p> <p>PR.AC-3: Remote access is managed</p> <p>PR.AC-4: Access permissions are managed, incorporating the principles of least privilege and separation of duties</p> <p>PR.AC-5: Network integrity is protected, incorporating network segregation where appropriate</p> <p>PR.AT-1: All users are informed and trained</p> <p>PR.AT-2: Privileged users understand roles & responsibilities</p> <p>PR.AT-3: Third-party stakeholders (e.g., suppliers, customers, partners) understand roles & responsibilities</p> <p>PR.AT-4: Senior executives understand roles & responsibilities</p> <p>PR.AT-5: Physical and information security personnel understand roles & responsibilities</p> | RECOVER (RC) | <p>Recovery Planning (RC.RP): Recovery processes and procedures are executed and maintained to ensure timely restoration of systems or assets affected by cybersecurity events.</p> | <p>RC.RP-1: Recovery plan is executed during or after an event</p> |
| | <p>Data Security (PR.DS): Information and records (data) are protected consistent with the organization's risk strategy to protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of information.</p> | <p>PR.DS-1: Data-at-rest is protected</p> <p>PR.DS-2: Data-in-transit is protected</p> <p>PR.DS-3: Assets are formally managed throughout removal, transfers, and disposition</p> <p>PR.DS-4: Adequate capacity to ensure availability is maintained</p> <p>PR.DS-5: Protections against data leaks are implemented</p> <p>PR.DS-6: Integrity checking mechanisms are used to verify software, firmware, and information integrity</p> <p>PR.DS-7: The development and testing environment(s) are separate from the production environment</p> | | <p>Improvements (RC.IM): Recovery planning and processes are improved by incorporating lessons learned into future activities.</p> | <p>RC.IM-1: Recovery plans incorporate lessons learned</p> <p>RC.IM-2: Recovery strategies are updated</p> <p>RC.CO-1: Public relations are managed</p> |
| | <p>Control effectiveness "Very Strong or Strong"</p> | | | <p>Communications (RC.CO): Restoration activities are coordinated with internal and external centers, Internet Service Providers, owners of attacking systems, victims, other CSIRTs, and vendors.</p> | <p>Control effectiveness "Weak or Very Weak"</p> <p>RC.CO-2: Reputation after an event is repaired</p> <p>RC.CO-3: Recovery activities are communicated to internal stakeholders and executive and management teams</p> |

Assets & Business
Processes & Controls

Risk Register

Create Risk Statements/ Cyber Scenarios to Proactively address Business Risk



Risk Statement Formula

There is a potential <risk > performed by <threat actor> taking advantage of weaknesses<threat vectors> leading to <outcome/risk realized> affecting an <asset> that causes an <impact>

Assets & Business Processes

Brainstorming: Information Supplied by Business SME(s)

| Risk ID | Business Unit/Department Name | Business Lead Name and/or Responsible Person for business function | Business Process (Please list all key processes and projects within your Department denoting one function per line) For example, Under Sales,) | Asset Type/Category | Asset Name (multiple assets exist for a single Business Process, Please list 1 per line) | In-House /SaaS | Asset Rating (Estimated Impact to Company if risk realized) reference Impact Chart | Risk Category | Risk Description (Evaluate Asset + Process/Function to determine gaps or lack of controls that may create risk) There is a potential <risk > performed by <threat actor> taking advantage of weaknesses<threat vectors> leading to <potential outcome/risk realized> affecting an <asset> that causes an <impact> |
|---------|-------------------------------|--|--|---|--|----------------|--|-----------------|--|
| Fin-1 | Finance | Harry Jones | NetSuite - Accounts Payable | Names and addresses, payments (bank details, invoices), contractual information, medical details, passports | Production and QA environments | SaaS | Moderate | Confidentiality | vendor information, invoices, and payment history available on sandbox and production environments. User Profile roles and access management with potential for shared passwords and developer able to access production environment. |

| KRI Statements |
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| Trend: indicators leading to suspicion of leaks or data exfiltration with business process |

| Estimated Inherent Impact Level Financial Cost (cost if risk realized) (Please reference Impact Chart) | Estimated Inherent Impact Level Operational (Please reference Impact Chart) | Estimated Inherent Impact Level Reputational/Brand (Please reference Impact Chart) | Estimated Inherent Likelihood Level (probability risk can be realized) | Estimated Risk Response Overall Cost to Business |
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| Moderate | Moderate | Moderate | Moderate | 250K |

Technical Controls

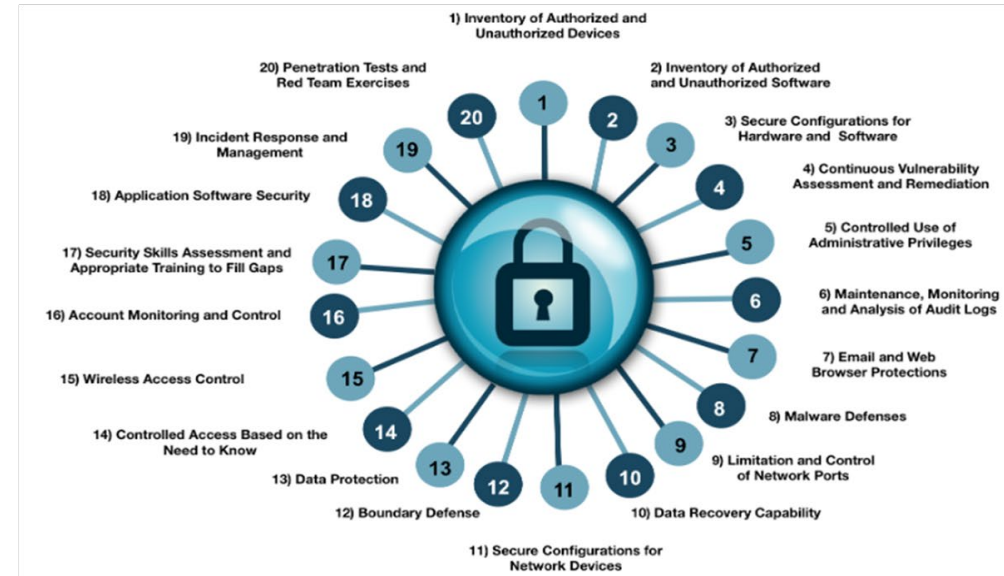
Control Categories

❖ Very Weak

❖ Weak

❖ Strong

❖ Very Strong



Key Threats, Business Impact, Controls & Cyber scenario

| Key Threats & Business Impact | | Business Controls | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Key Threat Categories <i>(Which is the most likely aligned with the Asset & Process)</i> | Business Impact <i>(Which is the most likely aligned with the Asset & Process)</i> | Technical Security Measures | Organizational Security Measures |
| Security Management and Compliance-- The threat covers the possibility that security measures are not adequately managed, communicated or complied with by personnel. | HARM TO OPERATIONS Conditions affecting Customer Client account management/ security | Encryption, Logging, Multi-Factor Authentication, Regular Software Updates, Vulnerability Detection Tools, Intrusion Detection Tools | Acceptable Use Policies, Access Reviews, Awareness and Training, Password Policies |

Risk Register Controls to be Applied to Residual Risk

| NIST 800-53 Controls |
|---|
| Risk Response Description/Controls (Choose as many as apply) |
| PR.AC-4: Access permissions are managed, incorporating the principles of least privilege and separation of duties, PR.AT-2: Privileged users understand roles & responsibilities: Ensure that managers, systems administrators, and users of organizational systems are made aware of the security risks associated with their activities and of the applicable policies, standards, and procedures related to the security of those systems., PR.DS-5: Protections against data leaks are implemented, ID.GV-3: Legal and regulatory requirements regarding cybersecurity, including privacy and civil |

Vulnerability: "Sep 07, 2021 · Tracked as CVE-2021-26084, The **Critical score, 9.9/10 CVSS score** and is actively exploited in the wild. Recently, several threats actors were seen abusing the vulnerability to target public and private sector organizations. This exploit could allow an attacker to execute arbitrary code on a **Confluence Server or Data Center instance and in the cloud**. One of the internal servers suffered a breach due to a hijacked Confluence Server wherein attackers deployed a cryptocurrency miner, **affecting service operations and potential data exposure**.

The MITRE ATT&CK Framework is a threat intelligence framework based on real-world observations and incidents. It demonstrates known adversary attack methods (malicious actor behavior), giving everyone in the security community a single tool to discuss and test against adversary activities.

MITRE a (not-for-profit organization) creates new ways to help the Business understand their adversaries' behaviors, goals, and methods to prioritize their offensive & defensive investments.

Business Impact

Condition affecting Financial loss & Fraud (External)

Probability: What is the motivation to attack that would make it more likely to occur?

What is the criticality of the asset or business process to the firm?

Business Impact: What is the driver; Financial, Espionage/Intellectual Property, Reputational damage, Operational loss?

What are the key risks, e.g., What are our critical domains, and are the external resources vulnerable to malicious use?

Is the risk statement/cyber scenario relevant to this type of attack?



Key Risk Leading Indicators

Identified threats, attack surface and Vulnerabilities

Log-In Red Flags, or anomalies in Privileged User Activity

Attack Trends: Vulnerabilities: Increase in Zero-Day, or increased sophistication of attack vector

Attack Surface: Aligns with Exploit

MITRE Framework

- Cyber Criminal Gang
- TA505 & Mercury

Threat Actor

- T1133 - External Remote Service

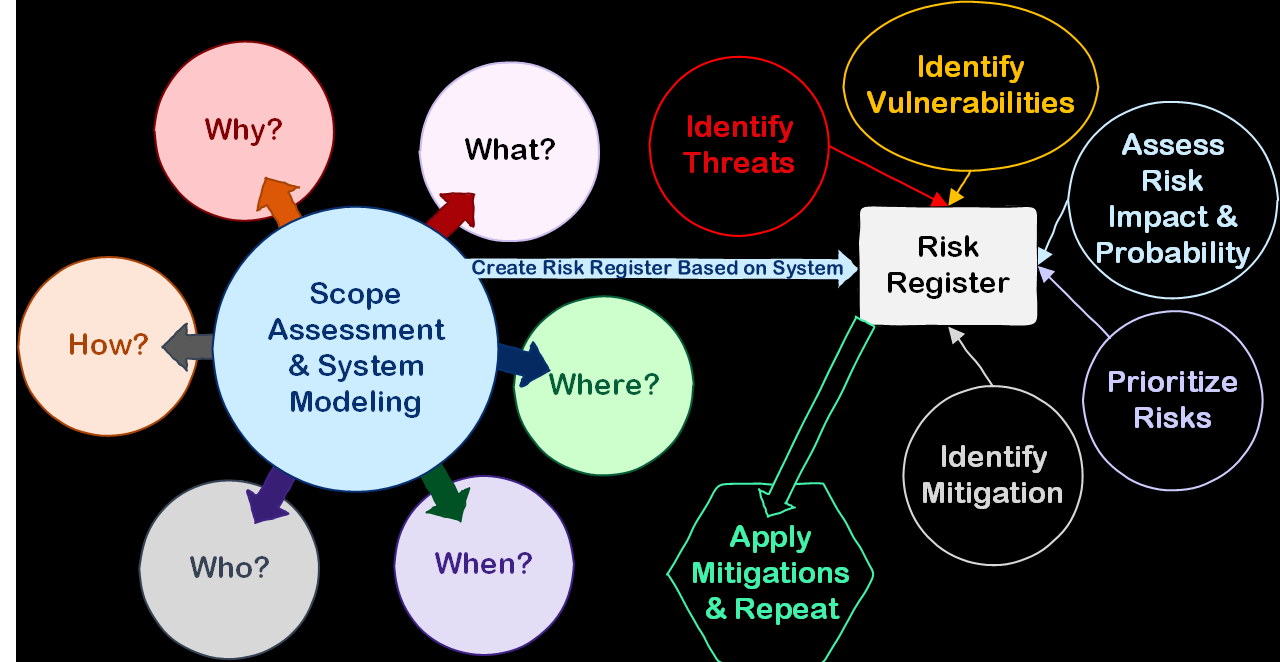
Initial

- T1068-Exploitation for Privileged Escalation
- T1559- Inter-Process Communication (passwords hashes, Kerberos tickets, application access tokens, web session cookies)

Execution

Modification or deletion of customer profiles In Flight Bridge. A cyber criminal gang exploits a known vulnerability via external remote services, then actor performs exploitation for privileged escalation toward lateral movement. The Confluence server and Flight Bridge data is potentially compromised as part of a ransomware attack, or data exfiltrated. This results in an impact to customer profiles in Flight bridge and potential harm to brand reputation.

Threat Modeling – Cybersecurity Scenarios Attribution /Threat Intelligence



| Cybersecurity Scenarios | MITRE Reconnaissance Attack Vector | MITRE Reconnaissance Attack Vector | MITRE Initial Access Vector | MITRE Execution | MITRE Persistence | MITRE Lateral Movement | MITRE Collection | MITRE C2C | MITRE Exfiltration | MITRE Impact |
|--|------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|--------------|--|-------------------------------|
| <p>Risk to NetSuite accounts payable. A cyber criminal gang gathers host information and credentials from someone inside the organization via social engineering, then uses the deficiency to access the system with a valid account. The actor creates or modifies system processes, to allow for access to and removal of data from the local system, potentially resulting in data exfiltration of Netsuite Accounts Payable, PII, bank details, and PHI. Due to account access, potential impact to the organization’s brand and financial systems incurring financial loss and loss of sensitive proprietary data of client accounts</p> | Cyber criminal Gang | T1592- Gather victim's Host Information | T1078- Valid Account | T1203- Exploitation for Client Execution | T1543- Create or Modify System Process | T1210- Exploitation of remote Services | T1039- Data From Network Shared Drive | T1090- Proxy | T1048 Exfiltration Over Alternate Protocol | T1531- Account Access Removal |

MITRE applies Control recommendations toward actionable Decisions Mitigating the Risk

*Business Leads(SME)s determine the risk
BISA/SecOps determine the Threats
= Agility & Collaboration*

| Security Operations Mitigations | | | | | Business Controls |
|---------------------------------|--|-------------------------|---------------|---|--|
| Threat ID | Tactic | Function | Threat Target | Detection Mitigation For SecOps | Suggested Mitigation for Business |
| T1213.001 | Defense Evasion, Persistence, Privilege Escalation | Audit | Confluence | <p>Monitor file systems for moving, renaming, replacing, or modifying. Changes that are loaded by a process (compared to past behavior) that do not correlate with known software, patches, etc., are suspicious.</p> <p>Hijacking Scanner can be used to identify applications vulnerable to hijacking.(Citation: Wardle Hijack Vulnerable Apps)(Citation: Github EmpireProject HijackScanner)</p> | Consider periodic review of accounts and privileges for critical and sensitive Confluence repositories. |
| T1213.001 | Defense Evasion, Persistence, Privilege Escalation | User Account Management | Confluence | <p>Look for changes to binaries and service executables that may normally occur during software updates. If an executable is written, renamed, and/or moved to match an existing service executable, it could be detected and correlated with other suspicious behavior. Look for abnormal process call trees from typical processes and services and for execution of other commands that could relate to Discovery or other adversary techniques.</p> | Enforce the principle of least-privilege. Consider implementing access control mechanisms that include both authentication and authorization. |
| T1213.001 | Defense Evasion, Persistence, Privilege Escalation | User Training | Confluence | <p>Monitor for changes to environment variables and files associated with loading shared libraries such as <code>LD_PRELOAD</code> and <code>DYLD_INSERT_LIBRARIES</code>, as well as the commands to implement these changes.</p> <p>Monitor processes for unusual activity (e.g., a process that does not use the network begins to do so). Track library metadata, such as a hash, and compare libraries that are loaded at process execution time against previous executions to detect differences that do not correlate with patching or updates.</p> | Develop and publish policies that define acceptable information to be stored regarding Confluence repositories. |

Workshops

Residual Risk

Business Area & Functional Unit xxx:

Modification or deletion of customer profiles In Flight Bridge. A cyber criminal gang exploits a known vulnerability via external remote services, then actor performs exploitation for privileged escalation toward lateral movement. The Confluence server and Flight Bridge data is potentially compromised as part of a ransomware attack, or data exfiltrated. This results in an impact to customer profiles in Flight bridge and potential harm to brand reputation.

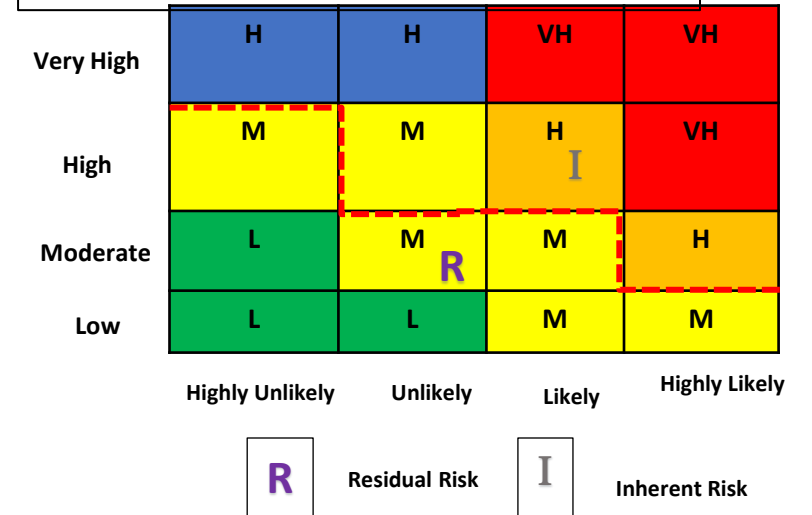
Threat likelihood is the probability that an undesirable event will occur.

| Likelihood Axis | Likelihood Rating |
|--|-------------------|
| Inherent Likelihood Rating | Likely |
| Aggregate Control Effectiveness Rating | Strong |
| Residual Likelihood Rating | Unlikely |

| Impact Axis | Financial Systems | Operational | Reputational (Brand) | IMPACT |
|--|------------------------|-------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| | Inherent Impact Rating | Low | High | |
| Aggregate Control Rating | Strong | | | High - 500K to 1M |
| Residual Impact Rating | Low | Low | Moderate | |
| Residual Impact Rating (High Water Mark) | Moderate | | | Moderate - 250K - 500K |
| | | | | Low - < 250K |

| Mitigating Controls | Is the Control Mitigating the Impact or Likelihood? | Design Effectiveness Rating | Very Weak | Weak | Strong | Very Strong |
|--|---|-----------------------------|-----------|------|--------|-------------|
| SI-4(5)- System Monitoring & Alerts | Impact | Effective | | | X | |
| Business Area Acceptable Use Policies | Impact | Effective | | | X | |
| AC-4 -Information Flow Enforcement | Likelihood | Effective | | | X | |
| AC-6(3) -Least Privilege Network Access to Privileged Commands | Likelihood | Effective | | | X | |

The graph represents Inherent risk ("I" without controls) and a Residual Risk threshold ("R" with controls) to determine if risk is within the company's risk acceptance level



Cybersecurity Threat Intelligence for improved Governance & Communication

Analysis / Continuous Monitoring

Evaluate in Relation to Residual Risk Thresholds: Determine Imminent or Emerging Patterns & Trends

In the wild Zero Day exploitation with a severity rating of High or greater affecting a significant asset population holding an asset risk level of high or greater, probability /likelihood the conditions affecting financial loss- Theft or Fraud are increased.

The exploitation of Active Directory leading to control of data stores. Cyber risk scenario is within its residual risk threshold when it is highly unlikely that an adversary gains access to the Data Stores to exfiltrate customer data, resulting in moderate impact to the firm's reputation due to subsequent loss of trust in the firm to secure sensitive data.

If the criticality of the asset group, Rating moderate or greater, then document

If not a high or critical asset, but the Asset Density > 20%, then document

If the vulnerability is actively exploited, then document

If the sophistication of threat actor has increased or vectors gaining popularity within the threat actor groups, then document

If the threat actor is covering a broad threat landscape, then document

If the threat score is high or attribution aligns, then document

If the known controls are not wholly effective in relation to the vulnerability or exploit TTP's, then document

If Patch cycle is not sufficient, then document

If the severity of Security Assessment / Incident & Investigation OR

- Vulnerability Findings, OWASP, App Scan, Third Party Vendors, CVEs, IR Forensics, Investigation Findings, etc., have a high finding, document*

Findings

The investigation and analysis is fully documented. The data is stored at a secure centralized location and can be reproduced in support of company determination.

Analysis Criteria: For the “ZeroLogon” vulnerability evaluate the residual risk threshold by evaluating the cyber threat intelligence against the residual risk for each cyber security scenario across the Business Areas.

- ✓ Keyword Search terms were documented and verified as adequate to produce the correct population
- ✓ The Threat Intelligence align wit the Business Impact, e.g., conditions affecting financial loss, theft & fraud, and the KRI: Log-In Red Flags, or anomalies in Privileged User Activity and Attack Trends: Vulnerabilities: Increase in Zero-Day, or increased sophistication of attack vector
- ✓ No Findings or Events were reported
- ✓ At this time there is no demonstrated or foreseeable intent to target company and/or affiliated industries (contractors, 3rd party vendors, partner businesses
- ✓ Patch Cycle is sufficient. Vulnerability was patched on Month/Year.
- ✓ Controls are effective in relation to cyber scenarios in play with exception of clearly documenting a single control. Has multi-factor authentication (MFA) for all accounts or least privilege has been applied. In this case even if a privileged account is compromised, this access attempt would still be denied.
- ✓ Residual Risk Threshold is documented as within the acceptable range per Business Area citing Highly Unlikely for Residual Likelihood, and Low for Residual Risk Impact.

Initiate Cyber Risk Discussion (Lead Group). If MFA has been applied and Use Cases effectively apply to privilege escalation, the Cyber Risk scenario is not in imminent danger of exceeding its current threshold at this time.

Next Steps:

- ✓ **Communication:** SecOps/Threat Intelligence Analyst to communicate with Security Team regarding the exploit and the current Use Cases surrounding privilege escalation in correlation to the related asset community. SecOps to communicate with Business and possibly where feasible, associated Technology SME(s) to verify if MFA has been applied.
- ✓ **Continued Monitoring:**
Since sophisticated cyber criminal groups have actively exploited the vulnerability in the wild and is gaining confidence by threat actor community as a packaged attack vector, the asset rating is moderate, and the potential for takeover of domains, the confidentiality, integrity, and availability would be impacted as a result of exploiting the vulnerability if successful, company will continue to actively monitor.

| Qualitative Values | Semi-Quantitative Values | | Description |
|--------------------|--|----|--|
| Very High | 96-100 | 10 | The vulnerability is exposed and exploitable, and its exploitation could result in severe impacts. Relevant security control or other remediation is not implemented and not planned; or no security measure can be identified to remediate the vulnerability. |
| High | 80-95 | 8 | The vulnerability is of high concern, based on the exposure of the vulnerability and ease of exploitation and/or on the severity of impacts that could result from its exploitation. Relevant security control or other remediation is planned but not implemented; compensating controls are in place and at least minimally effective. |
| Moderate | 21-79 | 5 | The vulnerability is of moderate concern, based on the exposure of the vulnerability and ease of exploitation and/or on the severity of impacts that could result from its exploitation. Relevant security control or other remediation is partially implemented and somewhat effective. |
| Value | Description | | |
| Confirmed | The threat event or TTP has been seen by the organization. | | |
| Expected | The threat event or TTP has been seen by the organization’s peers or partners. | | |
| Anticipated | The threat event or TTP has been reported by a trusted source. | | |
| Predicted | The threat event or TTP has been predicted by a trusted source. | | |
| Possible | The threat event or TTP has been described by a somewhat credible source. | | |
| N/A | The threat event or TTP is not currently applicable. For example, a threat event or TTP could assume specific technologies, architectures, or processes that are not present in the organization, mission/business process, EA segment, or information system; or predisposing conditions that are not present (e.g., location in a flood plain). Alternately, if the organization is using detailed or specific threat information, a threat event or TTP could be deemed inapplicable because information indicates that no adversary is expected to initiate the threat event or use the TTP. | | |

Cyber Security Proactive Program Workflow *Verifiable, Repeatable, Documented Process*

Cyber Risk Register
(What are the Current Cyber Risks?)

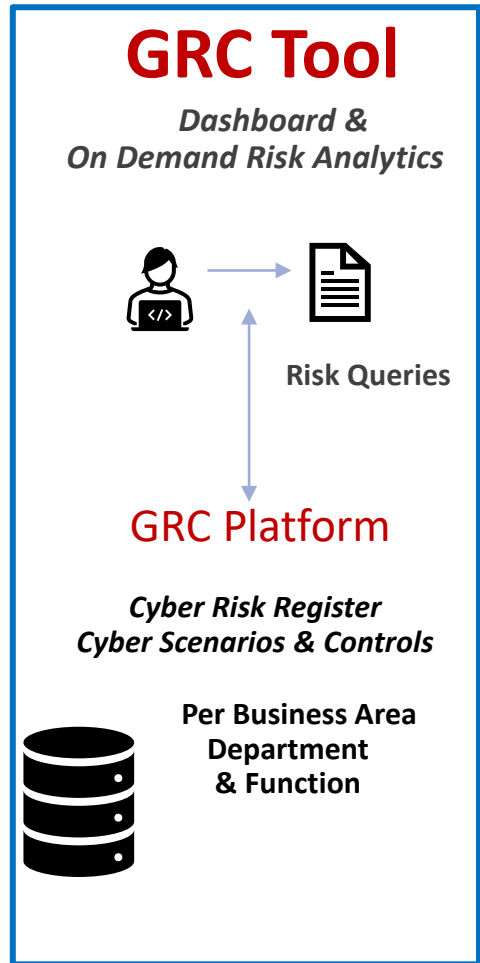
Continuous Cyber Risk Identification
(What's Changing?)

Assess Inherent Cyber Risk
(Is the Inherent Risk Within Tolerance?)

Correlate with Cyber Risk Register
(Is the Risk Already Identified?)

Assess vs. Cyber Risk Scenario Guidelines
(Do Risk Similarities Allow Aggregation?)

Assess Residual Cyber Risk
(Is the Residual Risk Within Tolerance?)



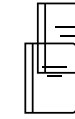
Continuous Cyber Risk Identification Process



Delete Cyber Risk Scenario(s)



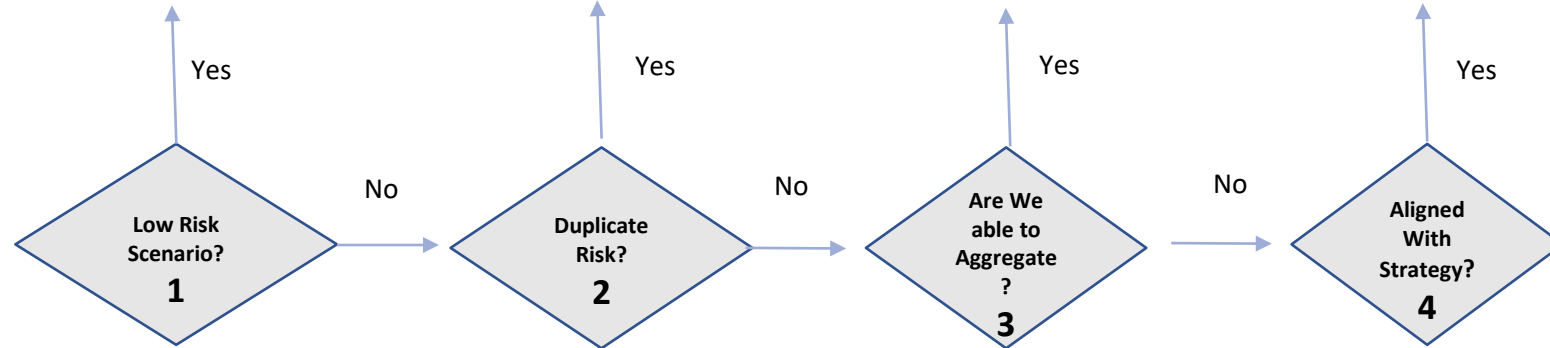
Update Existing Cyber Risk Scenario(s)



Combine Cyber Risk Scenario(s)



Cyber Risk Monitoring (KRI + Risk Events)



Cyber Risk Discussion Group – Explicit Risk Decision Based on Objective Data (Either a Risk Treatment or Risk Monitoring Decision)

Cyber Risk Scenario Guidelines

- Low Risk Scenarios?** If a proposed cyber risk scenario's inherent risk rating is within company risk tolerance (i.e., within "grey box" normal range of risk), then no scenario will be created.
- Duplicate Risk?** Each cyber risk scenario will stand-alone and be mutually exclusive from all others, preventing "double counting" when risk and controls have been captured within an existing cyber scenario.
- Are we able to Aggregate?** Apply cyber risk aggregation guidelines as "guardrails" to ensure that risk exposures are not aggregated to the extent that new Continuous Cyber Risk Identification KRI's can no longer be mapped to distinct threat actors, threat vectors, impact types, affected assets, and mitigating controls.
- Aligned with Strategy?** If the scenario is within the normal range of cyber risk, then we will monitor the risk through the continuous cyber risk identification process. If out of tolerance, then a Cyber Risk Discussion Group will convene.

Technical Controls

Control Categories

❖ Very Weak

❖ Weak

❖ Strong

❖ Very Strong

