

# The Future of IT & Cybersecurity CIO & CISO Think Tank

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## Navigating the Evolution of IT: The Critical Role of Observability Today and Path Towards its Future State

The rapid pace of technological change has introduced unprecedented complexity and risk for organisations. From uncontrolled cloud expenses, to complex software architectures, rapid innovation, emerging security threats, and high expectations around generative AI, the challenges can be overwhelming. How can organisations effectively manage these complexities and risks while evolving their IT landscape to capitalise on technological advancements?

Observability in its current phase has emerged as a critical solution, providing technologists and business stakeholders with real-time insights and proactive data-driven feedback loops to ensure the health, performance, and security of business applications. In this roundtable, we will explore how Observability enables organisations to successfully navigate the complexities and risks associated with each technology evolution, and what its future state will look like.



#### KEYNOTE PANEL

## From Information Overload to Strategic Insight: What Boards Really Want in Presentations

10:10 AM-10:55 AM

Board presentations are often plagued by common mistakes—being overly detailed, backwards-looking, or lacking a clear purpose. This panel discussion addresses the disconnect between what is often presented and what boards truly need. Featuring insights from seasoned executives, board members, and communication experts, the session will explore actionable strategies to craft presentations that are succinct, forward-looking, and aligned with board priorities such as revenue, cost, and risk. Attendees will learn how to simplify complex information, deliver clear recommendations, and tailor presentations to specific board dynamics, ensuring their messages resonate and drive effective decision-making. Whether you're a C-level executive or an aspiring leader, this session offers valuable guidance on mastering the art of board communication.

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## VISION VOICES Accelerating product delivery with GenAl

11:00 AM-11:15 AM

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Accelerating digital product delivery and feature shipments to customers is key to competitive differentiation. In this session, we explore the use of GenAI intervention opportunities and various use cases across the software delivery lifecycle to enable efficiencies and build world class products



## **Coffee Break**

11:15 AM-11:35 AM

11:35 AM-11:50 AM

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#### DISRUPTOR Unified Human Risk Management: Connecting the Dots Between Technology, People, and Data

In today's evolving threat landscape, CISOs and security leaders face a dual challenge—external attackers targeting employees as the weakest link and internal risks stemming from human error or malicious intent. This forward-looking session will explore how a unified Human Risk Management (HRM) strategy can bridge the gap between external threats and internal vulnerabilities. Discover actionable insights to strengthen your organisation's cyber resilience by leveraging cutting-edge AI, automation, and contextual education to reduce risks and streamline security operations.

We will demonstrate how security leaders can integrate email security with insider risk management to protect sensitive data, ensure compliance across collaboration platforms, and proactively educate employees to foster a culture of cyber awareness. Walk away with strategies to simplify operations, minimise incident response times, and stay ahead of emerging threats.



#### PANEL Outage Ready Resilience with AI and Automation

11:55 AM-12:40 PM

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In today's complex digital landscape, outages are inevitable and can cripple businesses within minutes. In fact, 88% of IT leaders expect a global outage within the next year.

With the threat of significant revenue loss and reputational damage from even brief disruptions, operational resilience is no longer an optional investment - it has been raised to a board level priority.

Join us for an insightful discussion as we delve into the key for braving the next big outage. In this session we will explore how organisations can transform and scale their digital operations leveraging GenAI and Automation to increase innovation velocity, grow revenue, reduce cost, and mitigate the risk of operational failure. Hear from expert guests and gain actionable insights to safeguard your digital future.

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12:45 PM-1:00 PM

## DISRUPTOR Filling the Void in SecOps Tools: Why Cloud Detection & Response (CDR) is Critical in Today's **Threat Landscape**

Traditional security tools—SIEM, EDR, and XDR—were not built to understand the complexities of cloud-native attacks. SOC teams today face a critical gap: they are drowning in false positives, relying on manual detection rules, and struggling to correlate cloud context across identities, misconfigurations, and TTPs. Meanwhile, attackers exploit cloud environments by leveraging initial access, lateral movement, privilege escalations, and stealthy persistence tactics that evade conventional security solutions.

This session will highlight why Cloud Detection and Response (CDR) is essential for bridging the gaps in modern security operations. We will break down how CDR integrates real-time cloud visibility, identity and exploitability context, and automated investigation to detect, investigate, and respond to cloud-native threats before they escalate.



### Lunch

1:00 PM-2:00 PM

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#### DISRUPTOR Powering Unbreakable Identity Security in the Cloud Era

Migrating to and operating in cloud environments exposes companies to new types of risks, often at exponential measures, most often targeting identities. By applying intelligent privilege controls to all identities - human and machine - modern identity security solutions deliver Zero Standing Privileges, just-in-time access, and automated secrets management. This approach secures cloud migrations and hybrid environments, enabling organizations to eliminate credential sprawl, enforce least privilege at scale, and accelerate secure digital transformation. The unified workflow replaces complex, patchworked legacy solutions, improving security and operational efficiencies while providing continuous governance across the entire identity lifecycle. With advanced identity security platforms, businesses can leverage modern cloud technologies without compromising on security, staying ahead of evolving threats in the dynamic digital landscape.



## PANEL Empowering Collaboration: CIOs, and CISOs to Defend with SSE and SASE

Building trust and reliance across technology and security teams is key to defending the enterprise. As security stacks incorporate Security Service Edge (SSE) to sustain the SASE journey, the partnership between CIOs, CISOs, and their teams is more important than ever.

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3:25 PM-3:40 PM

#### DISRUPTOR Release with Confidence: Move Fast And (Don't) Break Things

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2:20 PM-3:20 PM

In today's competitive landscape, innovation requires speed - but not at the cost of reliability. In this talk, we'll explore how to enable organizations to deliver software faster while minimizing risk.

Unlike traditional monitoring tools that react after issues occur, we empower teams to proactively detect and address problems before they impact customers. By focusing on each individual feature rollout - rather than the entire application - teams gain real-time visibility into what's working, what's not, and why. And if something goes wrong? Rolling back is as simple as hitting "undo."

The result: Faster innovation, fewer disruptions, and a better customer experience. Move fast, stay in control, and keep your competitive edge - without breaking things.



## PANEL AI Innovation on a Massive Scale: Are We Focused on the Right Priorities?

Successfully driving AI transformation requires asking the right questions. Organizations must identify how to extract real value, manage risks, and leverage data to navigate the complexities of AI adoption amid a crowded vendor landscape. This panel discussion will explore strategic approaches for business leaders to implement AI thoughtfully, ensuring it aligns with key organizational objectives and delivers meaningful impact.



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**Closing Remarks & Raffle Giveaway** 



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4:30 PM-4:40 PM

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**Cocktail Hour** 

4:40 PM-5:40 PM

3:45 PM-4:30 PM

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