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The Future of IT & Cybersecurity CIO & CISO Think Tank

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Registration

8:30 AM-9:00 AM

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Morning Networking

9:00 AM-9:30 AM

Opening Remarks

9:30 AM-9:40 AM

KEYNOTE

Unleashing Cryptoagility: A Blueprint for Modernizing PKI Solutions

9:40 AM-10:05 AM

In the ever-evolving landscape of digital transformation, organizations are facing unprecedented challenges in securing and scaling their cryptographic infrastructure. Yet the need for crypto agility has never been more critical as companies grapple with risks posed by advanced technologies such as AI, emerging threats like Post Quantum Cryptography (PQC), and the complex web of compliance mandates, management hurdles, and technology transformations.

This session will help gain actionable strategies as we explore:

Reducing IT resource burdens and costs through centralized certificate management

Preventing costly business outages and addressing potential security vulnerabilities

Building private and public trust while eliminating human error

Don't miss this opportunity to learn best practices and elevate your organization's cryptographic resilience. Be part of the conversation that prepares for a quantum-safe future and shapes the future of secure digital landscapes

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KEYNOTE PANEL

2025 Executive Evolution: Mastering the Art of Business-Technology Harmony

10:10 AM-10:55 AM

Bridging the gap between business and technology is not easy and requires discipline and balance between technology, people, and business. For so many organizations today, technology is the business. Technology needs to be understood as a critical enabler in every part of the organization from the front line to the back office. It creates new value by crunching data to deliver new insights, it spurs innovation, and it disrupts traditional business models.

For business and technology leaders alike, new actions and behavioral changes can help their organizations make this shift. CIOs and CISOs must take responsibility for problems, they should convey that when technology fails, many people typically share responsibility.

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Coffee Break

10:55 AM-11:15 AM

PANEL

Building Cyber Fortitude: CISO Strategies for Resilient Cybersecurity

11:15 AM-12:00 PM

In the realm of building cyber resilience, organizations confront increased risk exposure amidst bold moves and evolving external challenges. Despite investments in technology and data, risk leaders, including CISOs, express difficulty in keeping pace with the persistent threat of cyber crises. However, in today's business landscape, discussions of digital transformation or reinvention are inseparable from considerations of cybersecurity. Looking ahead, stakeholders, from the board to frontline cybersecurity operations, pose critical questions about resiliency. This includes inquiries about the adequacy of efforts to safeguard the company and its customers in the face of cyber attacks. The focus shifts to identifying opportunities to minimize the impact on business and shareholder value through effective threat response. Embracing cybersecurity as a whole-of-business endeavor, organizations are urged to align themselves with business owners, adapting to changes in the cyber landscape and fortifying resilience against disruptions. Building confidence in the cybersecurity program becomes paramount in navigating the dynamic and challenging cyber landscape effectively.

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FIRESIDE CHAT

12:05 PM-12:40 PM

Technology Cybersecurity Leadership in the Era of AI and ML: Navigating Innovation and Responsibility

In today's fast-moving AI and machine learning (ML) landscape, IT leaders—including CIOs, CISOs, and data executives—play a critical role in driving strategic adoption across the enterprise. The effective integration of AI and ML goes far beyond security; it is key to optimizing digital operations, accelerating decision-making, and unlocking new business value. To realize this potential, organizations must take a holistic approach that considers the entire lifecycle of AI and ML—from data readiness and deployment to governance and performance management.

Establishing strong governance frameworks is essential to ensure responsible use, address bias, promote transparency, and minimize unintended outcomes. As regulations evolve—especially in areas like data privacy, ethical AI, and risk management—IT leaders must stay ahead of compliance demands while also championing innovation. By developing a deep, tech-enabled understanding of AI and ML systems and their business impact, IT leaders can guide their organizations through complex implementation journeys and enable long-term, sustainable success in a rapidly changing digital environment.

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Lunch & Networking

12:40 PM-1:30 PM

FIRESIDE CHAT

The Vulnerable C-Suite: Why Personal Cybersecurity is the New Frontline for CISOs

1:30 PM-2:05 PM

Businesses and their leadership teams are increasingly being targeted – physically and digitally. Research from The Ponemon Institute shows that 42% of CISOs report attacks targeting executives' personal lives – a number that will only climb as cybercriminals evolve their attack methods.

Cybercriminals are increasingly leveraging executives' personal digital presence as an entry point into corporate networks. Traditional cybersecurity focuses on corporate systems, leaving executives' personal digital lives exposed – creating a significant risk vector for organizations.

This Fireside Chat between Richard and Chris is going to explore the ways that CISOs and CSOs can address this phenomenon to protect leadership, corporate assets, and brand reputation.

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2:10 PM-2:55 PM

Next-Level Innovations: Unveiling Gen AI - The Hype, The Reality, and The Future

We will explore the evolution of Gen AI, from its inception to its transformative impact across various industries. Experts will discuss the disparity between the media-driven hype and the technology's real-world capabilities, sharing case studies and addressing current challenges. The conversation will also cover the economic and ethical implications of Gen AI, providing insights into its future advancements and regulatory landscape. Attendees will gain a nuanced understanding of Gen AI's potential and the strategic considerations necessary for its successful integration into diverse sectors.

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3:00 PM-3:15 PM

Accelerating Cybercrime vs. Preemptive Data Security

The future of cybercrime isn't coming—it's here. Armed with AI, cybercriminals are creating sophisticated malware at breakneck speed. They're outpacing traditional security measures by weaponizing the very technologies meant to protect us. And they're more organized than ever.

Organizations need to rethink their legacy detect-and-respond strategies and implement solutions that are purpose-built to combat never-before-seen threats at any scale.

Harnessing AI solutions powerful enough to prevent malware is key to defending against these AI-powered attacks.

In this session, we'll examine the following:

How Dark AI tools can be used to aid reconnaissance and generate phishing emails, as well as quickly create and deploy sophisticated malware that evades traditional signature-based defenses.

The growing danger of Ransomware-as-a-Service (RaaS) groups as they transition to operating like traditional businesses with sophisticated planning and execution capabilities.

Why adopting preemptive data security strategies—and cybersecurity solutions that are specifically designed to prevent threats—will prepare organizations for the future of cybercrime.

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Networking Break

3:15 PM-3:30 PM

FIRESIDE CHAT

3:30 PM-4:05 PM

Future-Proofing the Workforce: Upskilling for the Next Era of IT Innovation

The global IT talent shortage isn't going away — and hiring alone won't close the gap. To fully capitalize on disruptive technologies like AI, cloud, and cybersecurity, CIOs and IT leaders must prioritize upskilling and reskilling their existing workforce. This panel will dive into how organizations can identify critical skill gaps, create effective upskilling programs at scale, and foster a culture of continuous learning and innovation. We'll also explore how emerging technologies like AI and automation are reshaping workforce demands and what leaders need to do now to ensure their teams are ready for the future.

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Closing Remarks & Raffle Giveaway

4:05 PM-4:15 PM

Cocktail Networking

4:15 PM-5:30 PM

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