

# ***OT/IT SECURITY: A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF CONCEPTS AND RESOURCES***



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# About CISA



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# Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)

## VISION

Secure and resilient  
infrastructure for the  
American people.

## MISSION

CISA partners with industry and  
government to understand and  
manage risk to our Nation's  
critical infrastructure.



## OVERALL GOALS

### GOAL 1

#### DEFEND TODAY

Defend against urgent  
threats and hazards

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### GOAL 2

#### SECURE TOMORROW

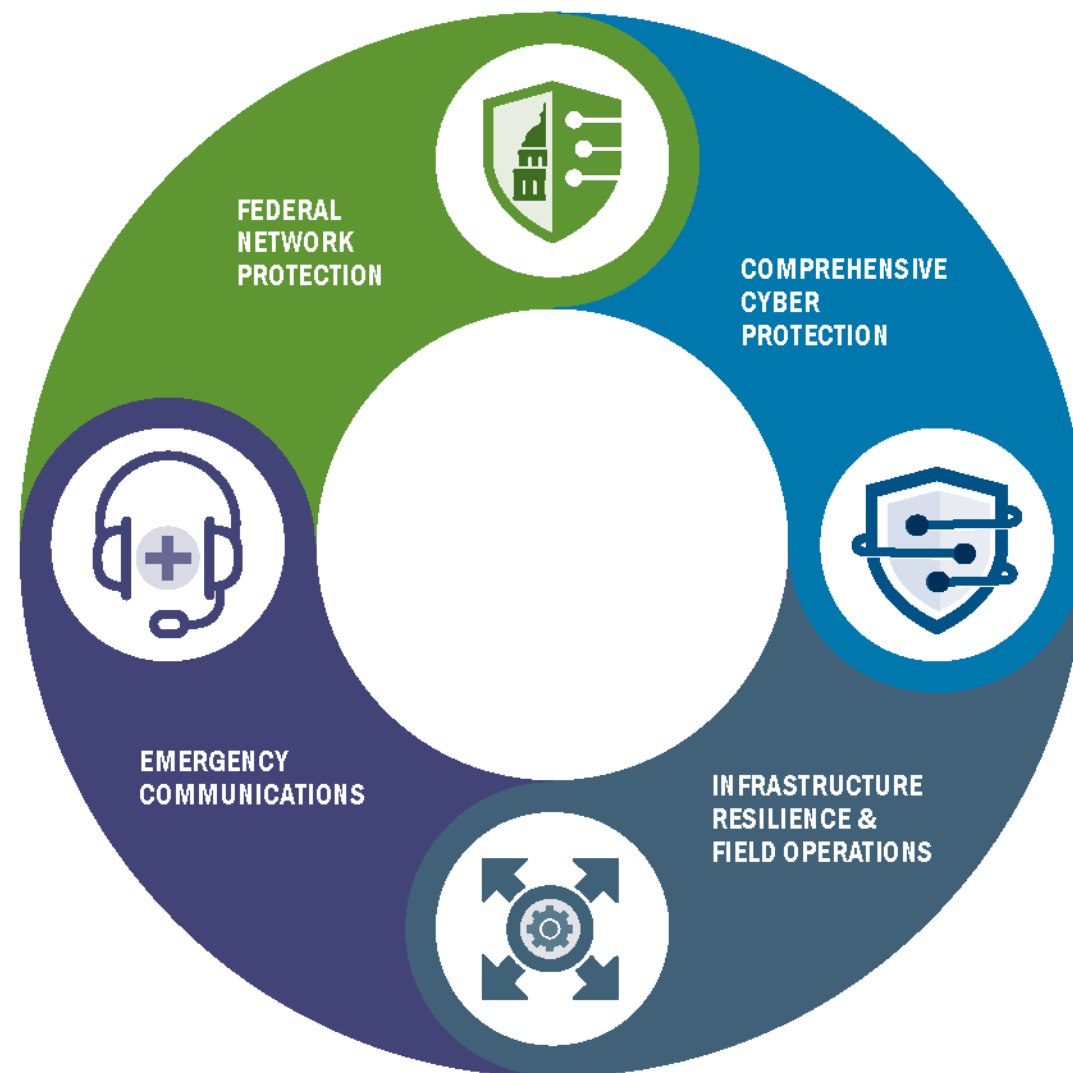
Strengthen critical  
infrastructure and  
address long-term risks

months | years | decades

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# We are the Nation's Risk Advisor

The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) is the pinnacle of national risk management for cyber and physical infrastructure



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# Our Work

The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) is the Nation's risk advisor, working with partners to defend against today's threats and collaborating to build more secure and resilient infrastructure for the future



PARTNERSHIP  
DEVELOPMENT



INFORMATION AND  
DATA SHARING



CAPACITY BUILDING



INCIDENT  
MANAGEMENT  
& RESPONSE



RISK ASSESSMENT  
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EMERGENCY  
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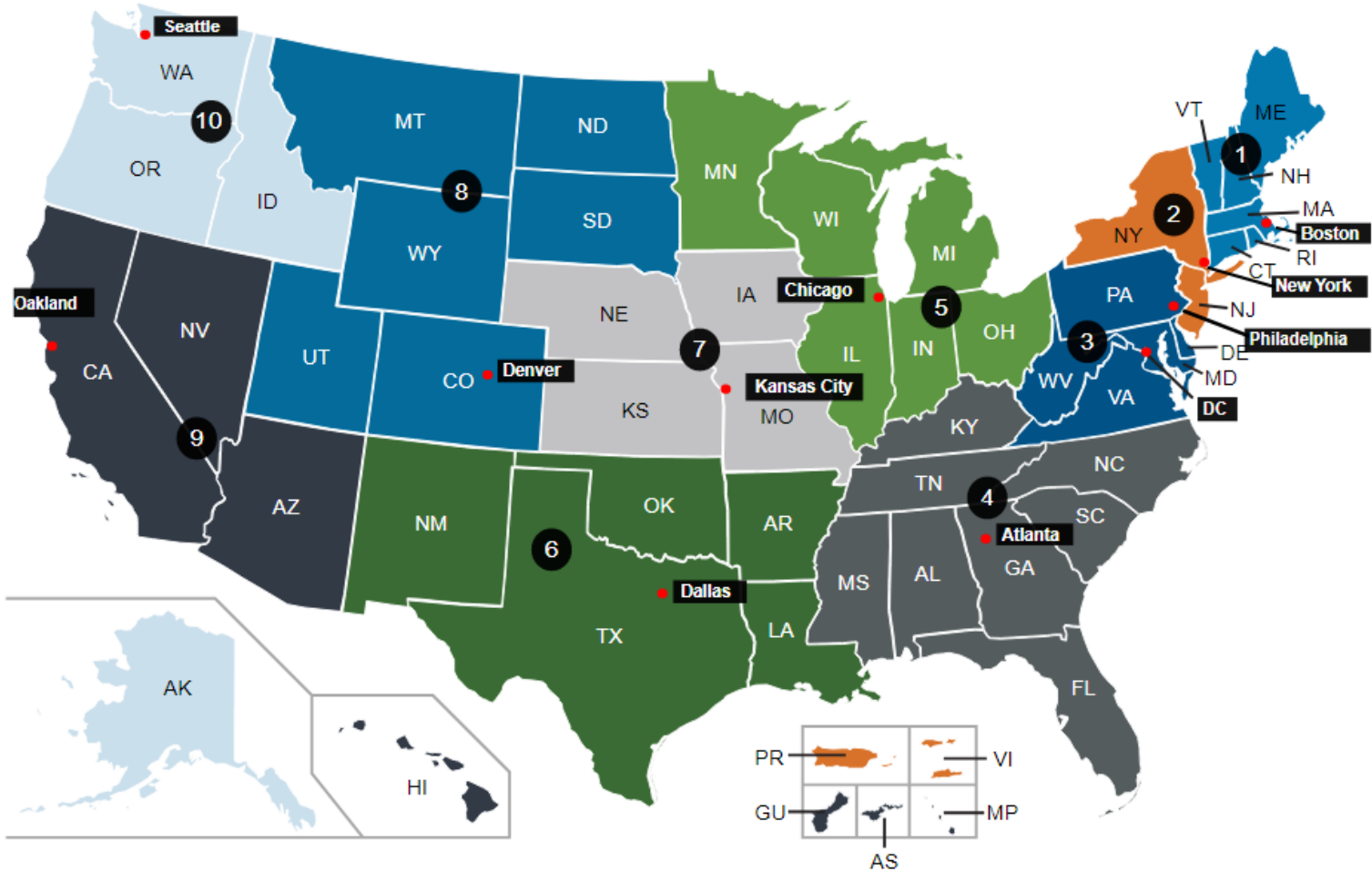
# Critical Infrastructure Sectors

CISA assists the public and private sectors to secure their networks and focuses on organizations in the following [16 critical infrastructure sectors](#).



# CISA Regions

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# CISA Cybersecurity Resources

## Regional Resources:

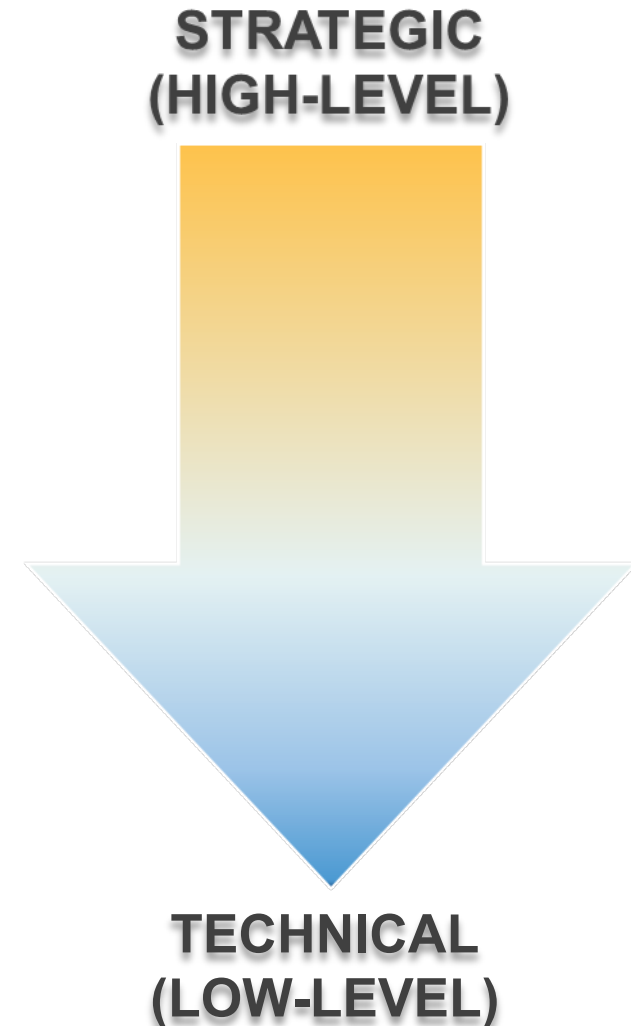
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# Core Concepts



# What is cybersecurity?

## Definition: cybersecurity

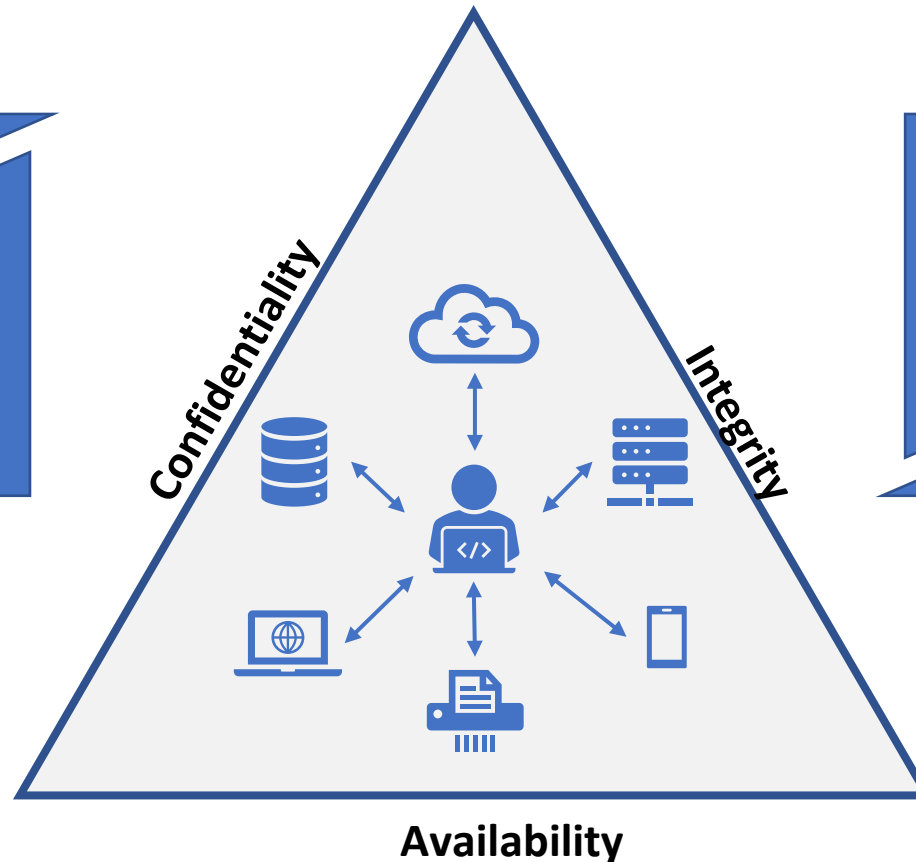
According to NIST, **cybersecurity** is “[t]he protection of information and information systems against unauthorized access, use, disclosure, modification, or destruction in order to provide confidentiality, integrity, and availability.”



Source: [NIST SP 800-171 Rev. 1](#)

**Information** refers to “[a]ny communication or representation of knowledge such as facts, data, or opinions in any medium or form, including textual, numerical, graphic, cartographic, narrative, or audiovisual.”

Source: [NIST SP 800-171 Rev. 1 Protecting Controlled Unclassified Information in Nonfederal Systems and Organizations](#)



**Information System** refers to “[a] discrete set of information resources organized for the collection, processing, maintenance, use, sharing, dissemination, or disposition of information.”

Source: [NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 Security and Privacy Controls for Federal Information Systems and Organization](#)

# Core Objectives of Cybersecurity

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Prevent unauthorized access and use of information resources

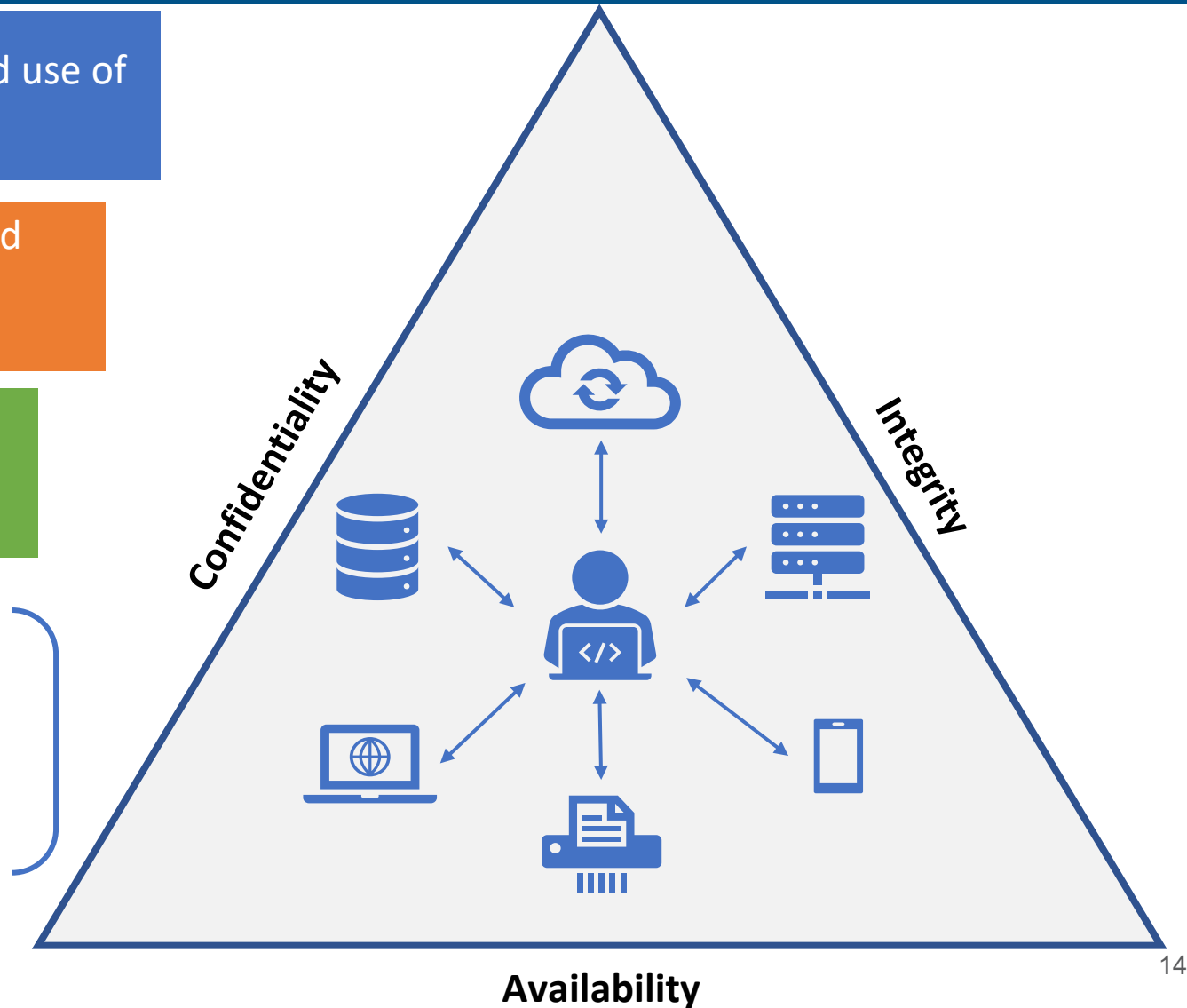
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Prevent unauthorized change and ensure reliability of information resources

A

Ensure timely availability of information resources

*Organizations engage in practices and deploy administrative, technical, and physical controls to achieve these objectives.*



# Framework for Achieving Operational Resilience IT/OT



# Threats

## THREATS

### Nature-Based

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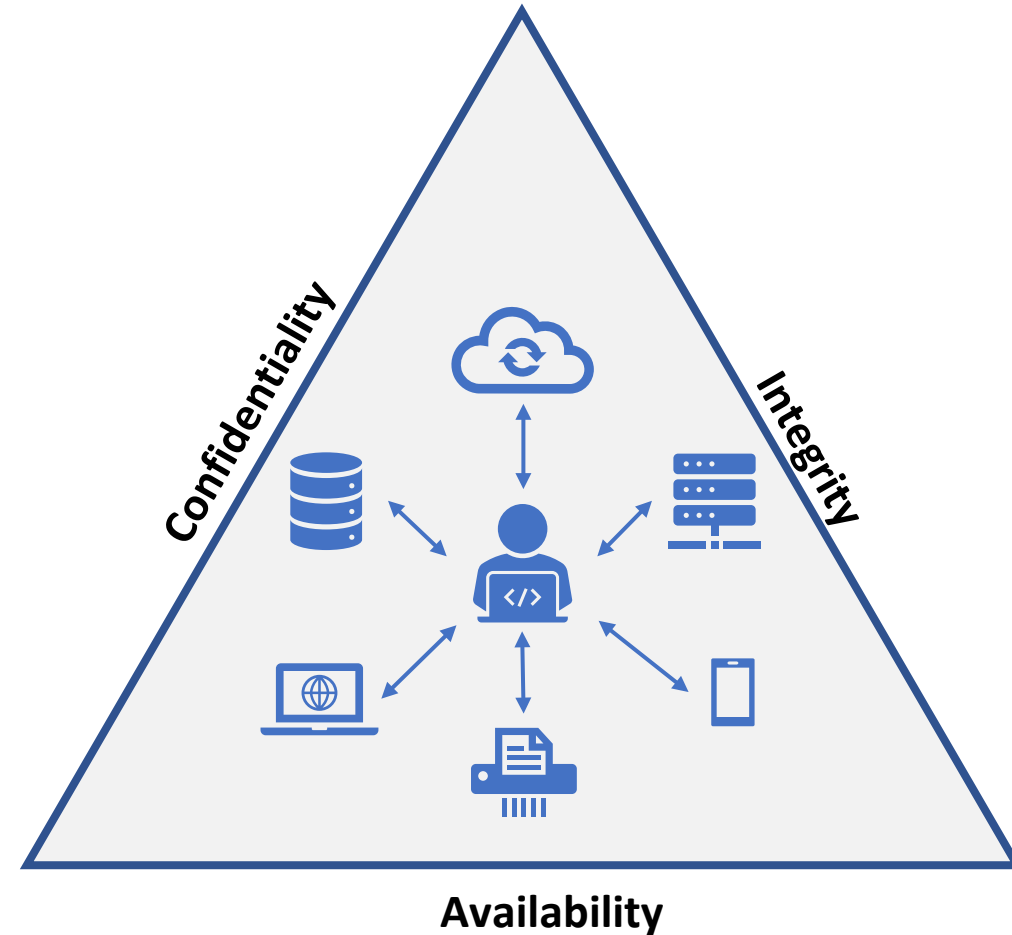


### Human-Based

Threat actors who take actions to compromise the CIA of an organization.



Impact: Confidentiality, Integrity, and Availability



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According to NIST, the term “**threat**” refers to “[a]ny circumstance or event with the potential to adversely impact organizational operations, organizational assets, individuals, other organizations, or the Nation through a system via unauthorized access, destruction, disclosure, modification of information, and/or denial of service.”

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# Threat Actors

## THREAT ACTORS

### HACKTIVISTS

Conduct attacks in furtherance of political interests.



### CRIMINALS

Conduct attacks in furtherance of financial interests.



### INSIDERS

Conduct attacks in furtherance of personal interests.

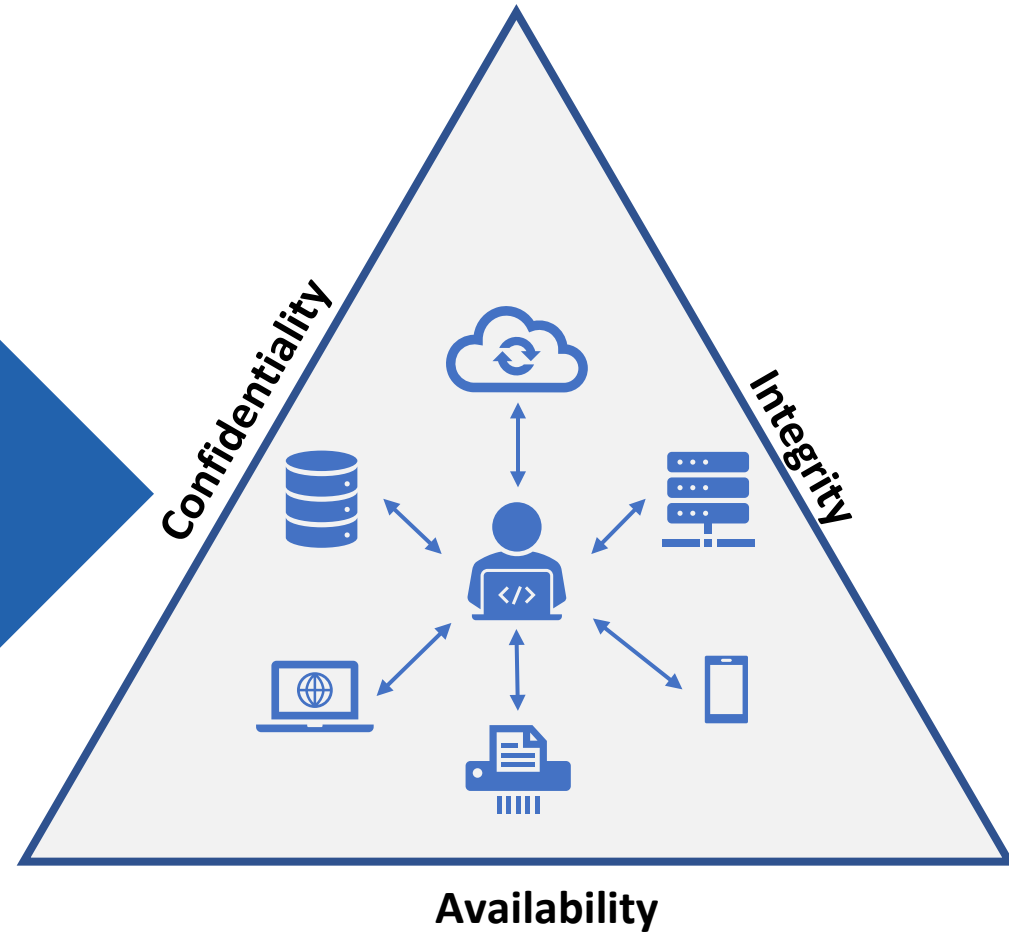


### STATE ACTORS

Destruction, disruption, and espionage in furtherance of national interests.



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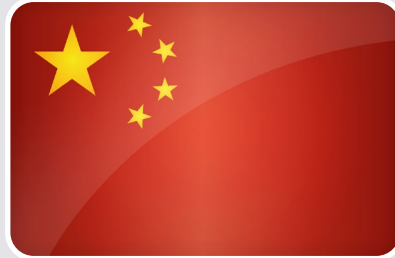


# ODNI 2022 Annual Threat Assessment



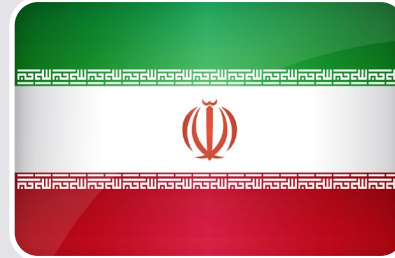
**Russia** - Remains a top cyber threat as it refines and employs its espionage, influence, and attack capabilities.

- Continues to target critical infrastructure, including underwater cables and industrial control systems.
- Considers cyber attacks an acceptable option to deter adversaries, control escalation, and prosecute conflicts.



**China** - Presents a prolific and effective cyber-espionage threat, possesses substantial cyber-attack capabilities, and presents a growing influence threat.

- Cyber pursuits and proliferation of related technologies increase the threats of cyber attacks against the US.
- Can cause localized, temporary disruptions to critical infrastructure within the US.



**Iran** - Expertise and willingness to conduct aggressive cyber operations make it a significant threat to the security of US networks and data.

- Has the ability to conduct attacks on critical infrastructure, as well as to conduct influence and espionage activities.
- Responsible for multiple cyber attacks against Israeli water facilities.



**North Korea** - Cyber program poses a growing espionage, theft, and attack threat.

- Possesses the expertise to cause temporary, limited disruptions of some critical infrastructure networks and disrupt business networks.
- Conducted cyber theft against financial institutions and cryptocurrency exchanges worldwide.



# Cyber Attacks: Organization Assets Targeted

## ORGANIZATION IT INFRASTRUCTURE

## THREAT ACTORS

### Planning

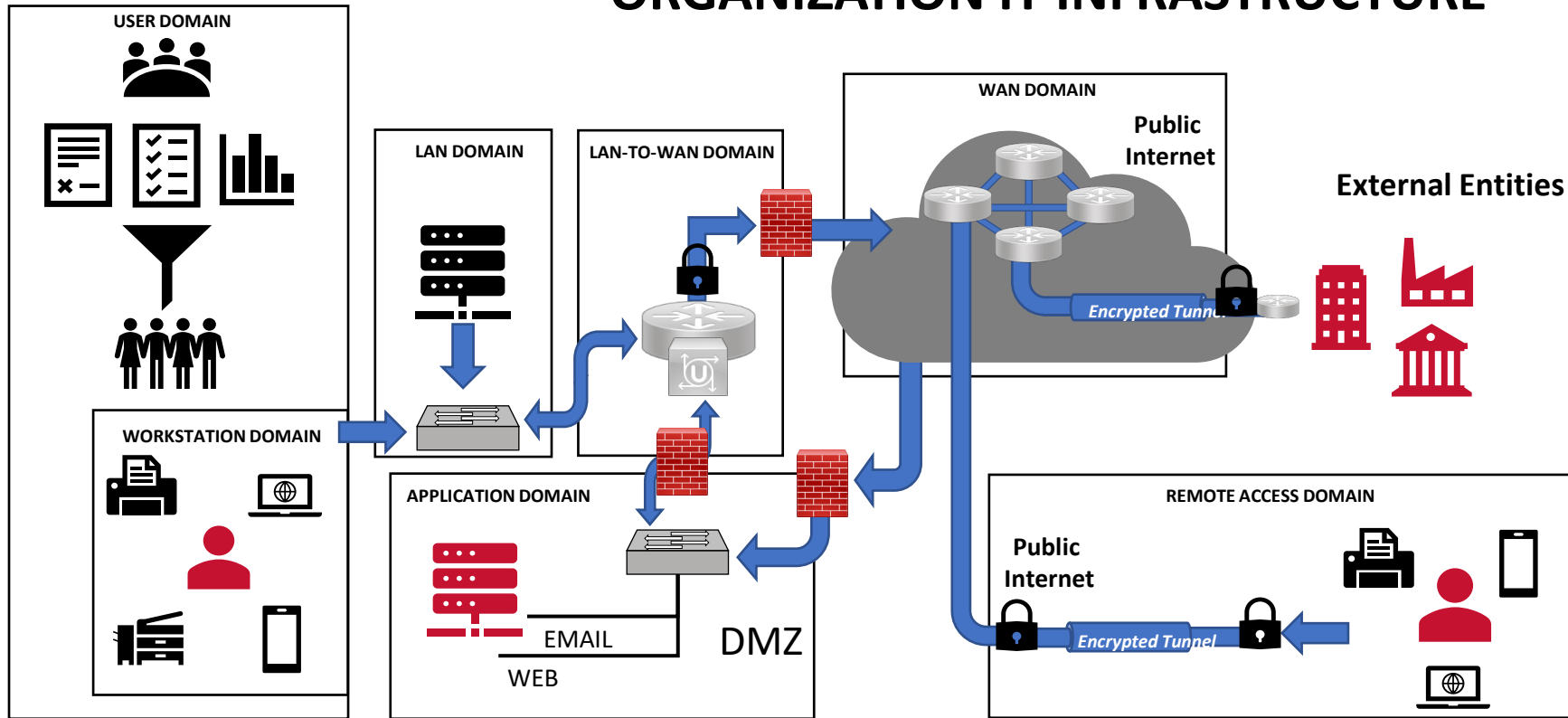
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- Identify vulnerabilities
- Identify exploits

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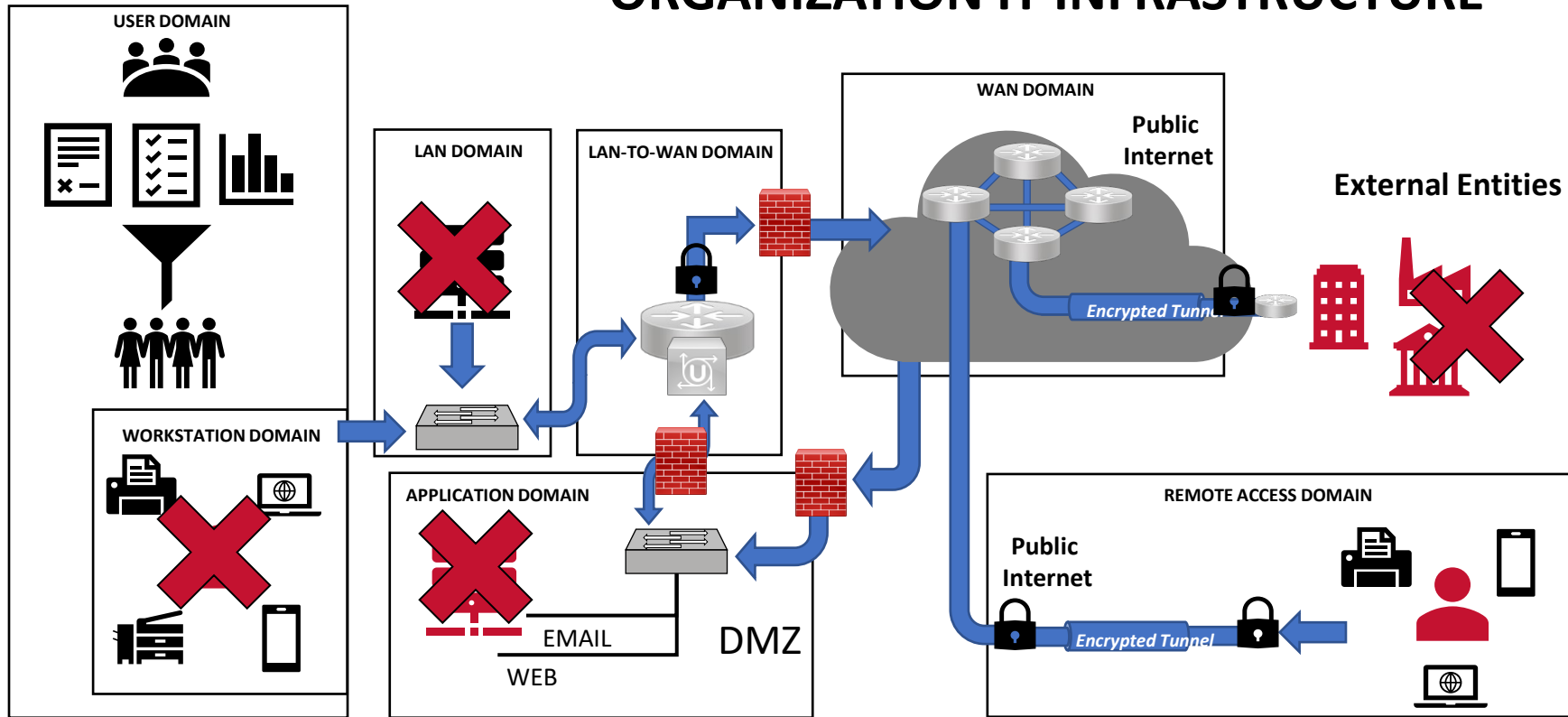


Prime Targets: Vulnerable Users, Technology, and External Partners/Vendors



# Cyber Attacks: Service Disruption

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Attacks on Assets>Service Disruption>Mission Failure

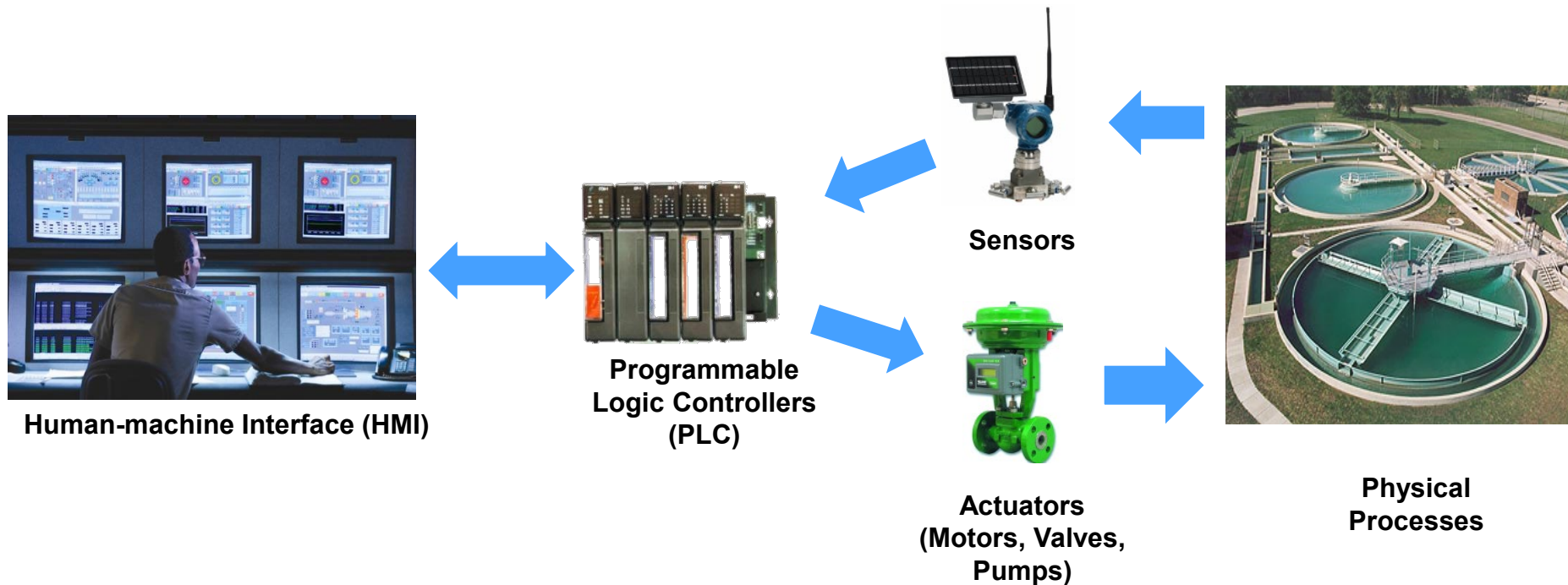
# Industrial Control Systems Overview

- Industrial control systems and their graphical user interface systems, SCADA (which stands for supervisory control and data acquisition) have increasingly become a cause of concern ever since they started connecting to the internet
- Considered secure in the past because they were isolated from the outside world, ICS/SCADA are now exposed
- Like any other computer systems, they're vulnerable to exploits by attackers

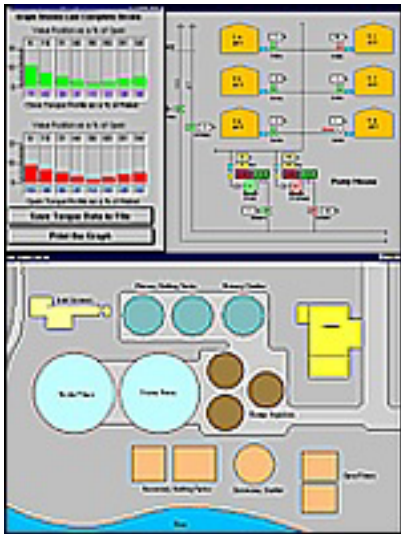


# What are Industrial Control Systems?

- ICS are the components that govern and execute complex processes within chemical, critical manufacturing, energy, nuclear, transportation, and water and wastewater sectors.
- We rely on control systems and their processes to sustain our way of modern life.



# Human-Machine Interface



## Human-Machine Interface (HMI)

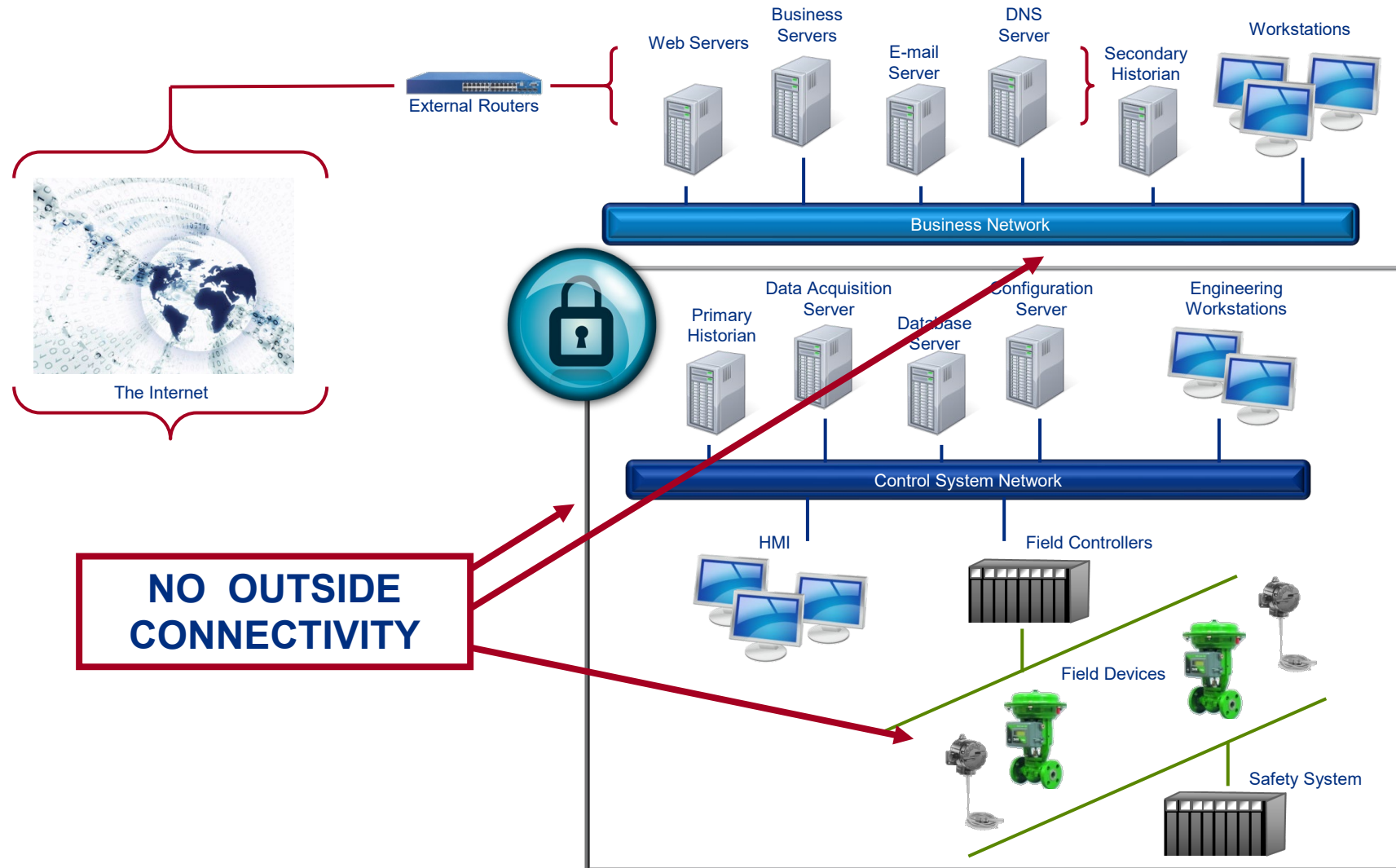
- A graphical representation of the process for the operator
- Used for control, monitoring, alarming, and trending
- Can be software systems on a PC or standalone systems like touch panels, handheld devices, or panel-mounted displays
- Used to collect data from devices and display or send the data to a database for historical trending

# Significance of Industrial Control Systems

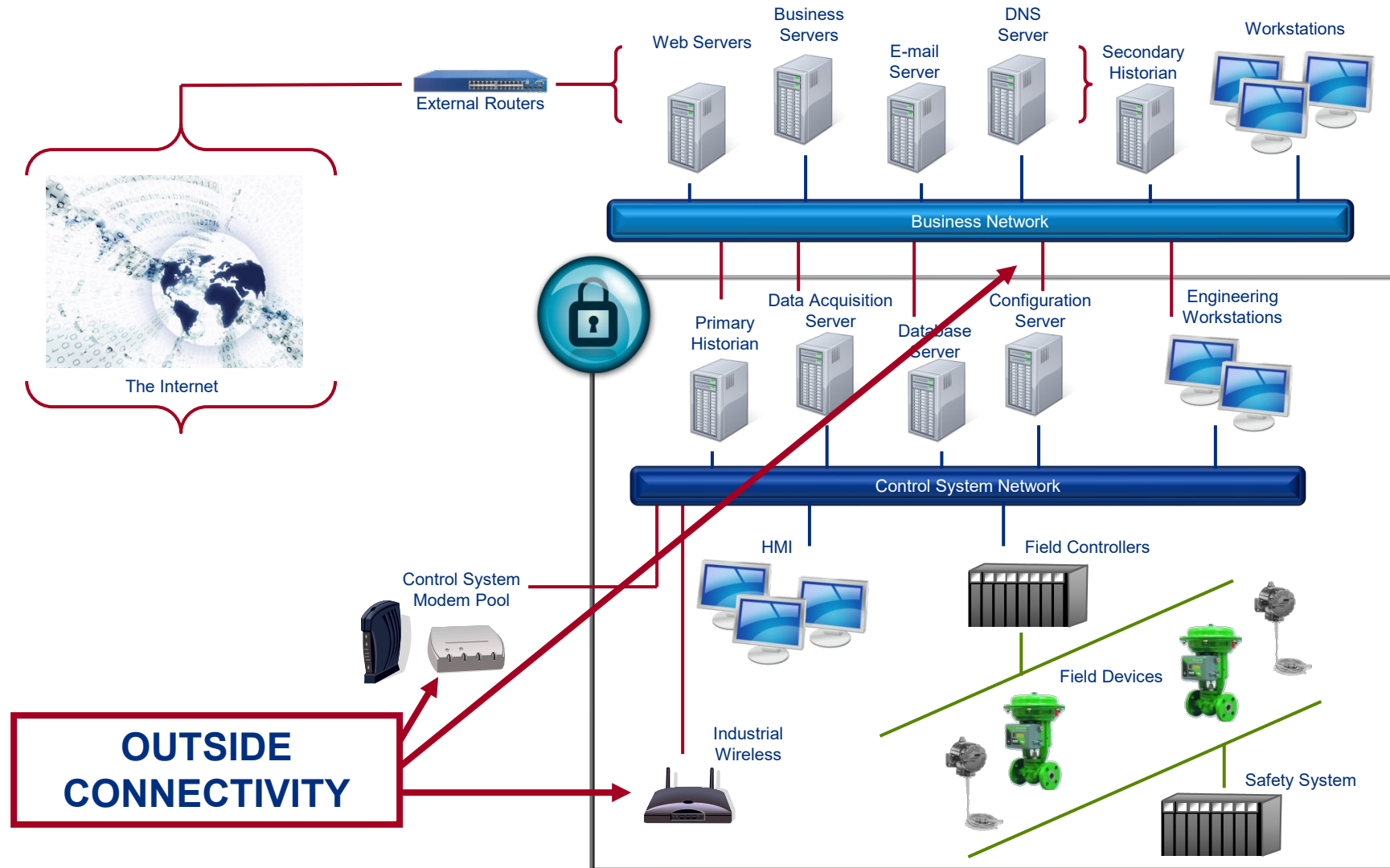
- Automated ICS are present in almost every aspect of our modern society
  - ICS provide safe and reliable operations for critical infrastructure
  - Increase productivity
  - Lower costs
- Today, most control systems are interconnected with business networks, introducing IT vulnerabilities and attack/exploitation paths into the ICS network
- A successful cyber attack on a control system could result in physical consequences and cascading effects that could disrupt services.



# ICS – Traditional Isolation



# ICS – Modern Connectivity



# Key Risk Factors



# Cyber Threat Actors Target ICSs

- Concerns with the recent rise in targeted and successful malware campaigns against industrial control systems (ICSs).
- These campaigns were associated with sophisticated threat actors with demonstrated capabilities to compromise control system networks.
- The depth of intrusion into the control system network provided the threat actors with the ability to potentially:
  - Manipulate control system settings
  - Control the process
  - Destroy data and/or equipment



# Well-Known ICS-Tailored Attacks

- **Stuxnet (2010):** Stuxnet was the first ICS malware found in the wild, when it was targeting the centrifuges in Iranian nuclear facilities, with the goal of inflicting physical damage by altering their rotation speed. It was considered novel at the time, and introduced some malicious techniques that are still used by adversaries today, regardless of ICS environments, such as process hollowing and persistence using WMI consumers.



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- **Pipedream (2022):** Pipedream was the most sophisticated ICS-specific malware to date, able to natively interact with a long list of ICS devices from various vendors. According to a CISA advisory, the malware is able to "***scan for, compromise, and control certain ICS/SCADA devices.***" Those capabilities, according to Dragos, present "*a clear and present threat to the availability, control, and safety of industrial control systems and processes*" and "*can be used to endanger operations and lives.*"

*Drawing on this brief history of ICS-specific malware, it appears that the threat groups are getting bolder by trying to inflict physical damage and strike safety systems, thereby indicating a growing general intent to cause harm.*



# ICS Mitigation Recommendations

- Limit exposure of system information
- Identify and secure remote access points to ICS
- Restrict tools and scripts
- Conduct regular security audits
- Implement a dynamic network environment



# Limit Exposure of System Information

- To the extent possible, **avoid disclosing information about system hardware, firmware, and software in any public forum**
- Incorporate **information protection education into training for personnel**
- Limit information that is sent out from the system
- Share only the data necessary to comply with applicable legal requirements, such as those contractually required by vendors—nothing more
- Do not allow other uses of the data and other accesses to the system without strict administrative policies designed specifically to protect the data
- Prevent new connections to the control system using strict administrative accountability



# Identify and Secure Remote Access Points

**Once owner/operators have identified all remote access points on their systems,** they can implement the following recommendations to improve their security posture:

- Reduce the attack surface by proactively limiting and hardening Internet-exposed assets
- Establish a firewall and a demilitarized zone (DMZ) between the control system and the vendor's access points and devices
- Do not allow direct access into the system; use an intermediary service to share only necessary data and only when required
- Consider using virtual private networks (VPNs) at specific points to and from the system rather than allowing separate access points for individual devices or vendors



# Restrict Tools and Scripts

- Limit access to network and control system application tools and scripts to legitimate users performing legitimate tasks on the control system
- Carefully apply access and use limitations to particularly vulnerable processes and components to limit the threat
- Identify any engineering, configuration, or diagnostic tools
- Securely store gold copies of these tools external to the system if possible
- Remove all non-critical tools
- Prevent these tools from being reinstalled
- Perform routine audits to check that these tools have not been reinstalled



# Conduct Regular Security Audits

- Validate all connections (e.g., network, serial, modem, wireless, etc.)
- Review system software patching procedures.
- Confirm secure storage of gold copies (e.g., OS, firmware, patches, configurations, etc.)
- Verify removal from the system of all non-critical software, services, and tools
- Audit the full asset inventory
- Implement CISA ICS mitigations and best practices
- Monitor system logs and intrusion detection system (IDS) logs
- Monitoring of access logs, system changes, IDS logs, and other tracking data should be performed continuously, with a deeper look at this data during periodic audits



# Implement a Dynamic Network Environment

A static network can provide cyber actors the opportunity to collect bits of intelligence about the system over time, **establish long-term accesses into the system, and develop the tools and TTPs to affect the control system as intended**

- Deploy additional firewalls and routers from different vendors
- Modify IP address pools
- Replace outdated hardware (e.g., workstations, servers, printers, etc.)
- Upgrade operating systems
- Install or upgrade commercially available security packages for vendor access points and methodologies



# Conclusion

- The combination of integrated, simplified tools and remote accesses creates an environment ripe for malicious actors to target control systems networks
- New IT-enabled accesses provide cyber actors with a larger attack surface into cyber-physical environments
- It is vital for OT/ICS defenders to anticipate the TTPs of cyber actors combining IT expertise with engineering know-how
- Defenders can employ the mitigations listed to limit unauthorized access, lock down tools and data flows, and deny malicious actors from achieving their desired effects

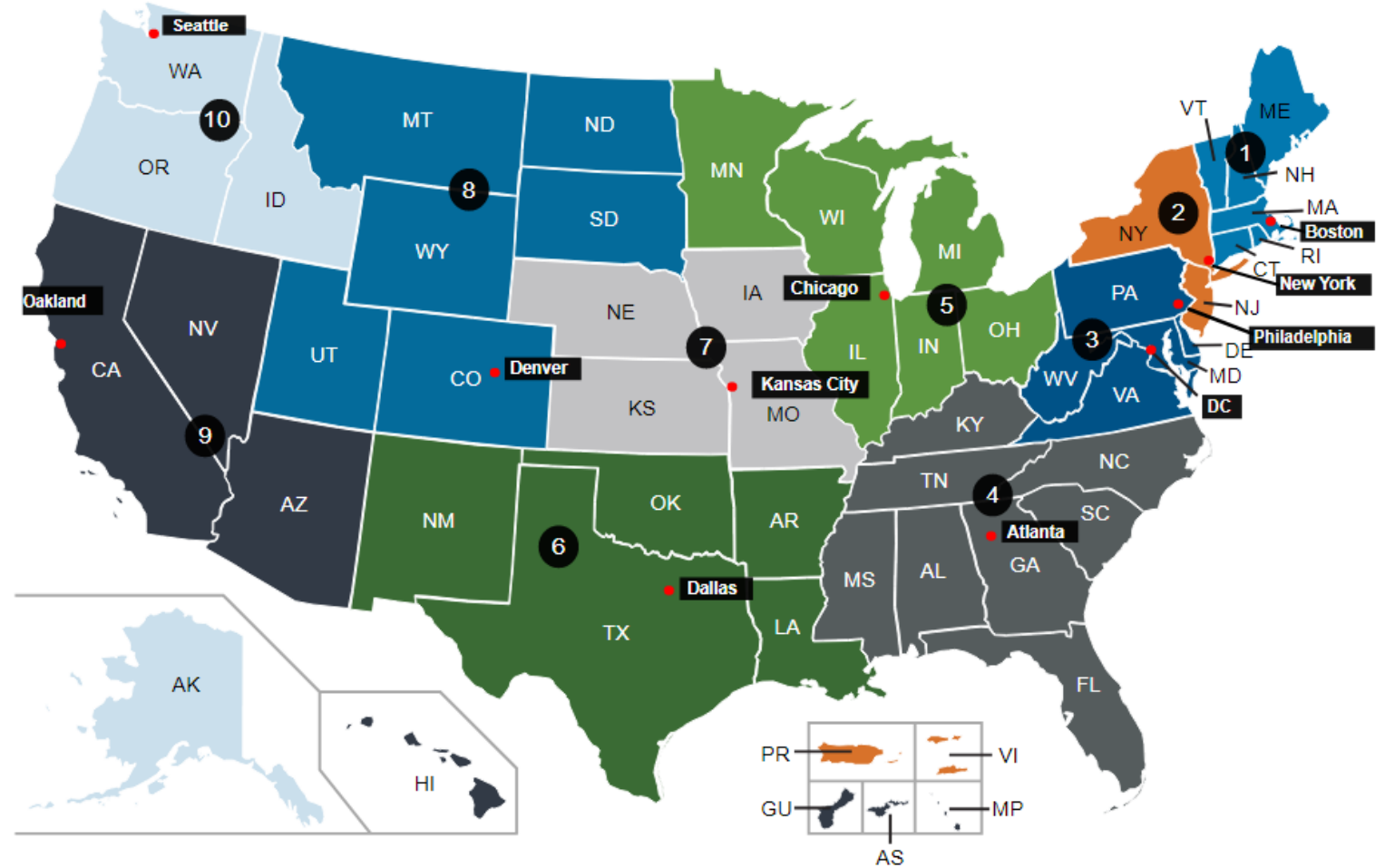


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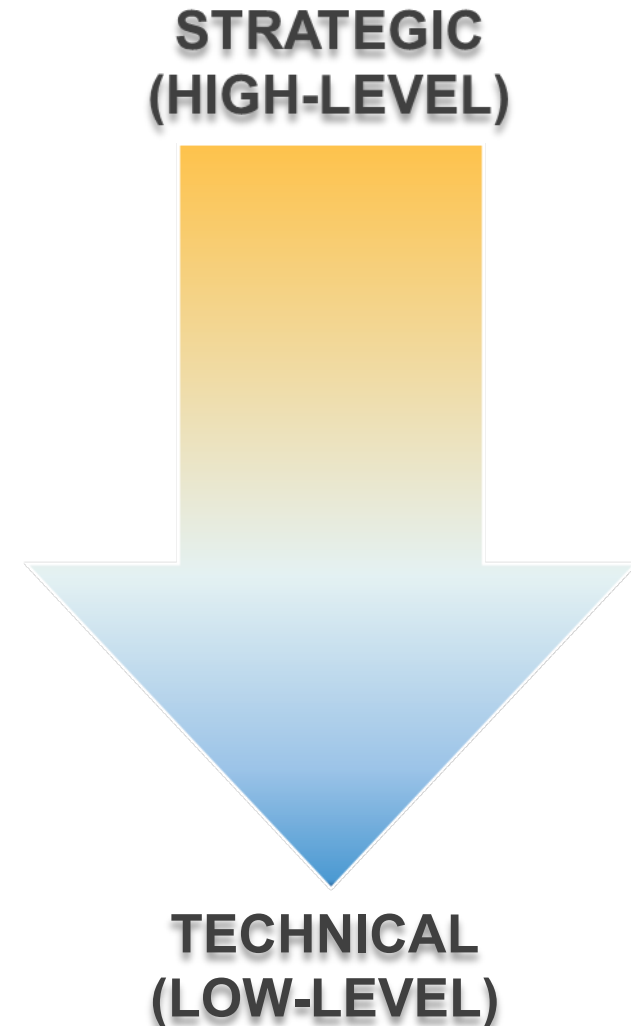
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# Cybersecurity Assessments



# Cyber Resilience Review (CRR)

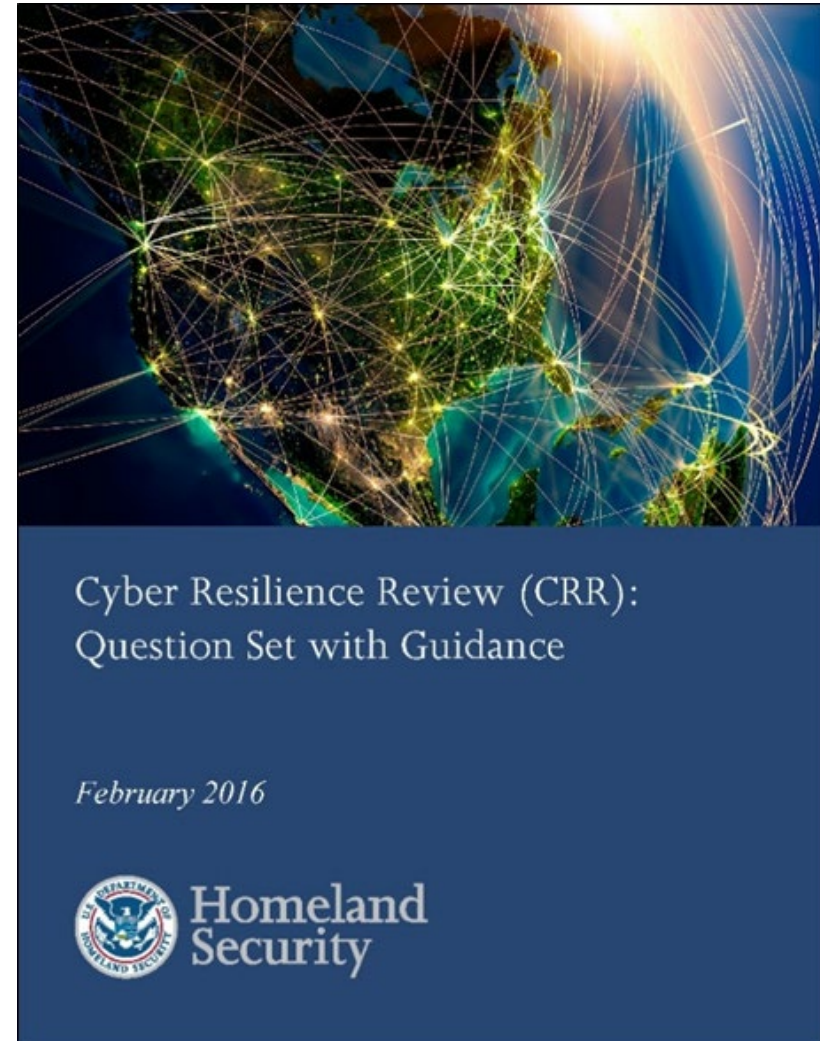
**Purpose:** The CRR is an assessment intended to evaluate an organization's operational resilience and cybersecurity practices of its critical services

**Goal:** Helps partners understand and measure cybersecurity capabilities as they relate to operational resilience and cyber risk

- Evaluates the maturity of an organization's capacities and capabilities in performing, planning, managing, measuring, and defining cybersecurity capabilities
- Based on the CERT<sup>®</sup> Resilience Management Model (CERT<sup>®</sup> RMM)



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# Cyber Resilience Review (CRR) | Domains

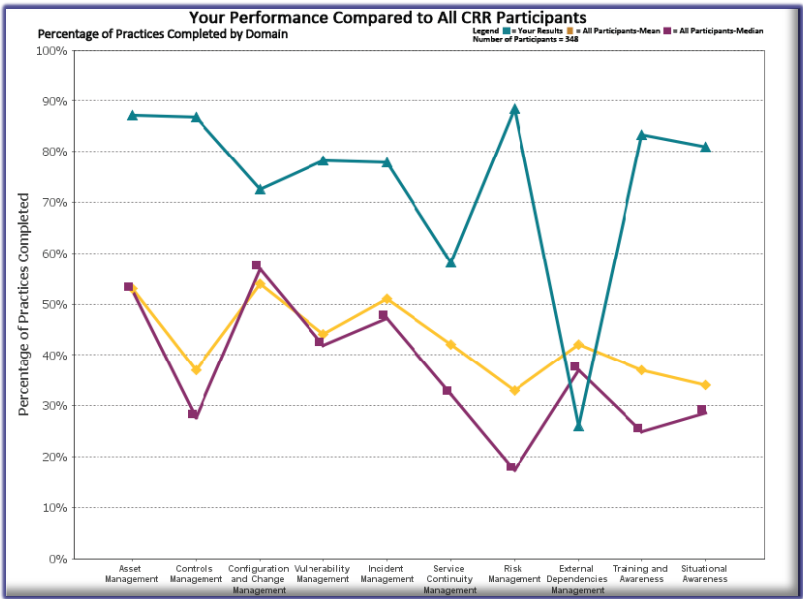
These represent key areas that typically contribute to an organization's cyber resilience— each domain focuses on:

- Documentation in place, and periodically reviewed & updated
- Communication and notification to all those who need to know
- Execution/Implementation & analysis in a consistent, repeatable manner
- Alignment of goals and practices within and across CRR domains

<b>AM</b>	<b>Asset Management</b> <i>identify, document, and manage assets during their life cycle</i>	<b>SCM</b>	<b>Service Continuity Management</b> <i>ensure continuity of IT operations in the event of disruptions</i>
<b>CCM</b>	<b>Configuration and Change Management</b> <i>ensure the integrity of IT systems and networks</i>	<b>RISK</b>	<b>Risk Management</b> <i>identify, analyze, and mitigate risks to services and IT assets</i>
<b>CNTL</b>	<b>Controls Management</b> <i>identify, analyze, and manage IT and security controls</i>	<b>EXD</b>	<b>External Dependency Management</b> <i>manage IT, security, contractual, and organizational controls that are dependent on the actions of external entities</i>
<b>VM</b>	<b>Vulnerability Management</b> <i>identify, analyze, and manage vulnerabilities</i>	<b>TRNG</b>	<b>Training and Awareness</b> <i>promote awareness and develop skills and knowledge</i>
<b>IM</b>	<b>Incident Management</b> <i>identify and analyze IT events, detect cyber security incidents, and determine an organizational response</i>	<b>SA</b>	<b>Situational Awareness</b> <i>actively discover and analyze information related to immediate operational stability and security</i>



# Benefits of CRR



Comparison data with other CRR participants



A summary “snapshot” graphic, related to the **NIST Cyber Security Framework**.

Domain performance of existing cybersecurity capability and options for consideration for all responses

## DOMAIN 1: ASSET MANAGEMENT

MLL-1					MLL-3					MLL-4					MLL-5				
G1	G2	G3	G4	G5	G6	G7	G8	G9	G10	G11	G12	G13	G14	G15	G16	G17	G18	G19	G20

The purpose of Asset Management (AM) is to identify, document, and manage assets during their life cycle to ensure sustained productivity to support critical services. There are seven goals in Asset Management:

- Goal 1 – Identify & prioritize critical services
- Goal 2 – Inventory assets, and establish the authority and responsibility for these assets
- Goal 3 – Establish the relationship between assets and the services they support
- Goal 4 – Manage the asset inventory
- Goal 5 – Manage access to assets
- Goal 6 – Prioritize & manage information assets
- Goal 7 – Prioritize & manage facility assets

The following contains questions asked during the CRR for each goal in the Asset Management domain, and your organization's response to these questions. In cases where the response is noted as "Incomplete" or "No", there is an accompanying Option for Consideration addressing that question.

Goal 1 – Identify & prioritize critical services		
1.	Are critical services identified? [SC-SG2.SP1]	Yes
2.	Are critical services prioritized based on analysis of potential impact if these services are disrupted? [SC-SG2.SP1]	Incomplete
Q2 CERT-RMM Reference: [SC-SG2.SP1] Identify & prioritize critical services, associated assets, and activities. A fundamental risk management principle is to focus on activities to protect and sustain services and assets that most directly affect the organization's ability to achieve its mission. Additional Reference: NIST SP 800-34, Revision 1 "Contingency Planning Guide for Federal Information Systems" (pages 15-18)		

Goal 2 – Inventory assets, and establish the authority and responsibility for these assets		
1.	Are the assets that directly support the critical service inventoried? [ADM-SG1.SP1]	People Incomplete
		Information Incomplete
		Technology Incomplete
		Facilities Yes
Q1 CERT-RMM Reference: [ADM-SG1.SP1] Identify and inventory critical assets. An organization must be able to identify its critical assets, document them, and establish their value in order to develop strategies for protecting and sustaining assets commensurate with their value to the services they support. Additional Reference: NIST SP 800-18, Revision 1, "Guide for Developing Security Plans for Federal Information Systems" (pages 2-3)		



# CRR Mappings to Other Frameworks

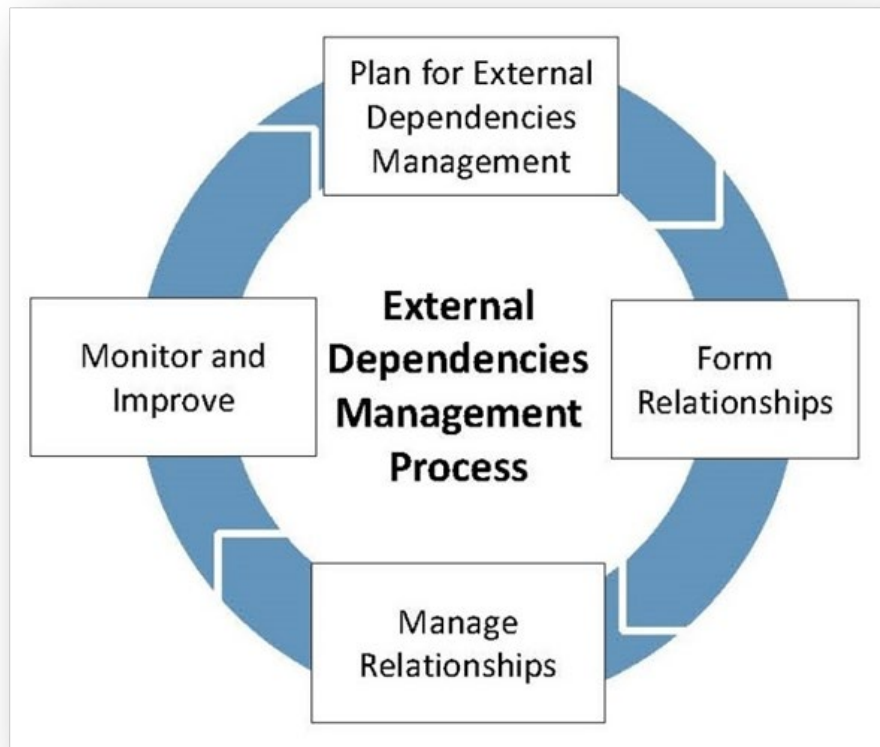
## **The Cyber Resilience Review has been mapped to:**

- NIST Cybersecurity Framework (CSF)
- Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Security Rule
- Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council's (FFIEC) Cybersecurity Assessment Tool (CAT)
- NIST Special Pub 800-53 rev 4 (This mapping has not yet been published)

**Most Cybersecurity Frameworks are being mapped to the NIST Cybersecurity Framework as a result that mapping can be used to indirectly map them to the CRR**



# External Dependency Management (EDM)



*EDM process outlined in the External Dependencies Management Resource Guide*



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**Overview:** In 2016, DHS launched the External Dependencies Management (EDM) Assessment, focusing specifically on ensuring the protection and sustainment of services and assets that are dependent on the actions of third-party entities.

**Background:** External Dependencies Management is a domain covered by the CRR. However, EDM and associated issues (e.g., supply-chain management, vendor management) are not addressed at a comprehensive level within the CRR, resulting in the creation of a separate assessment.

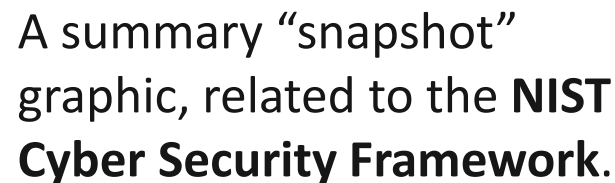
**Linkages to CRR:** Despite operating at a more granular level than the CRR, the EDM Assessment borrows heavily from the CRR's methodological architecture and scoring system but remains a CISA facilitated assessment.

# External Dependency Management (EDM)

To provide the organization with an understandable and useful structure for the evaluation, the EDM Assessment is divided into three distinct areas (domains):

1. **RELATIONSHIP FORMATION** – how the organization considers third party risks, selects external entities, and forms relationships with them so that risk is managed from the start
2. **RELATIONSHIP MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE** – how the organization manages ongoing relationships with external entities to support and strengthen its critical services at a managed level of risk and cost
3. **SERVICE PROTECTION AND SUSTAINMENT** – how the organization plans for, anticipates, and manages disruption or incidents related to external entities



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## DOMAIN 1: ASSET MANAGEMENT

The purpose of Asset Management (AM) is to identify, document, and manage assets during their life cycle to ensure sustained productivity to support critical services. There are seven goals in Asset Management:

- Goal 1 - Identify & prioritize critical services
- Goal 2 - Inventory assets, and establish the authority and responsibility for these assets
- Goal 3 - Establish the relationship between assets and the services they support
- Goal 4 - Manage the asset inventory
- Goal 5 - Manage access to assets
- Goal 6 - Prioritize & manage information assets
- Goal 7 - Prioritize & manage facility assets

The following contains questions asked during the CRR for each goal in the Asset Management domain, and your organization's response to these questions. In cases where the response is noted as "Incomplete" or "No", there is an accompanying Option for Consideration addressing that question.

Goal 2 - Inventory assets, and establish the authority and responsibility for these assets			
1.	Are the assets that directly support the critical service inventoried? [ADM:SGL.SP1]	People	Incomplete
		Information	Incomplete
		Technology	Incomplete
		Facilities	Yes
<b>! -- SAMPLE -- !</b>			
Q1	<p><b>CERT-RMM Reference:</b> [ADM:SGL.SP1] Identify and inventory critical assets. An organization must be able to identify its critical assets, document them, and establish their value in order to develop strategies for protecting and sustaining assets commensurate with their value to the services they support.</p> <p><b>Additional Reference:</b> NIST SP 800-18, Revision 1, "Guide for Developing Security Plans for Federal Information Systems" (pages 2-3)</p>		

# Cybersecurity Workshops & Exercises



# Cyber Resilience Workshop (CRW)

**Description:** A non-technical and informative session designed to help organizations understand cyber resilience concepts and ways to improve management of cyber resilience.

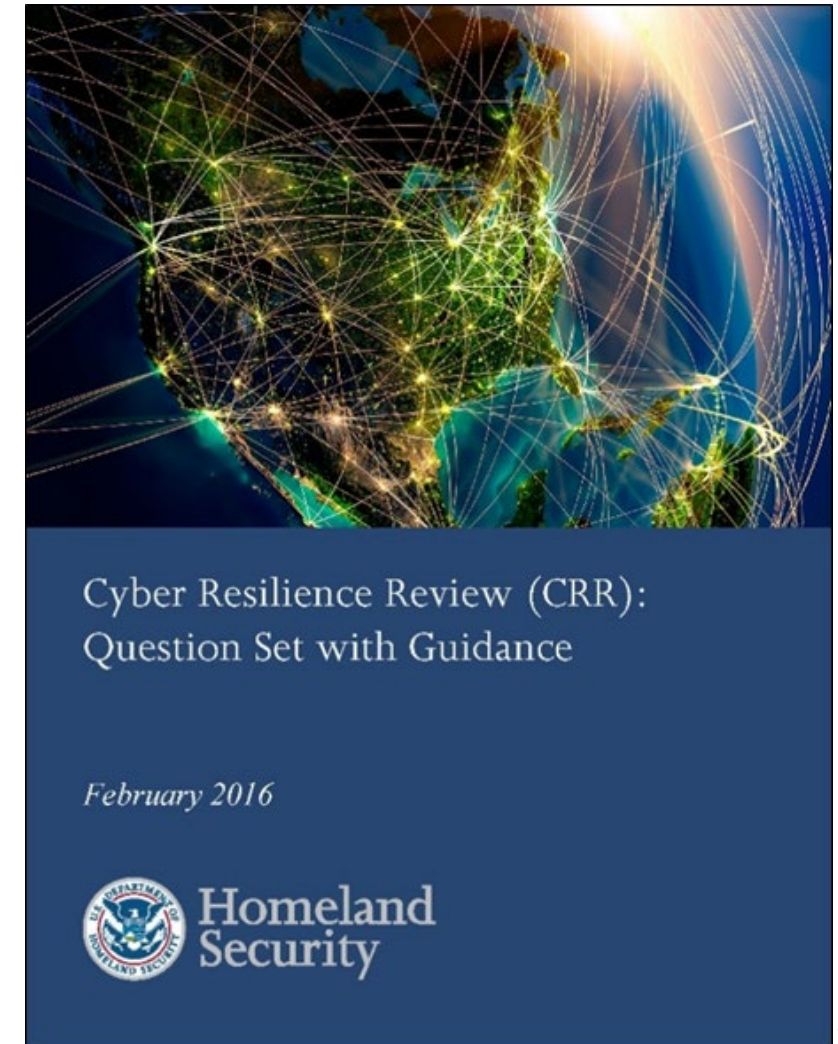
**Goal:** The goal of the workshop is to provide your organization with tangible takeaway information related to risk-based decision making and security planning for critical services.

**Audience:** Organizations that want to learn about an approach to developing repeatable cybersecurity capabilities and practices to protect and sustain their organization's operating environment.

**Format:** In-Person or Virtual



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# Incident Management Workshop (IMW)

**Description:** A non-technical and informative session designed to help organizations understand incident management concepts, key elements, planning and implementation.

**Goal:** The goal of the workshop is to provide organizations with tangible, useful takeaway information on how to manage cybersecurity incidents effectively and, ultimately, achieve operational resilience.

**Audience:** Organizations that want to learn about an approach to developing a cyber incident management capability.

**Format:** In-Person or Virtual



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# Vulnerability Management Workshop (VMW)

**Description:** A non-technical and informative session designed to help organizations understand vulnerability management concepts, key elements, planning and implementation.

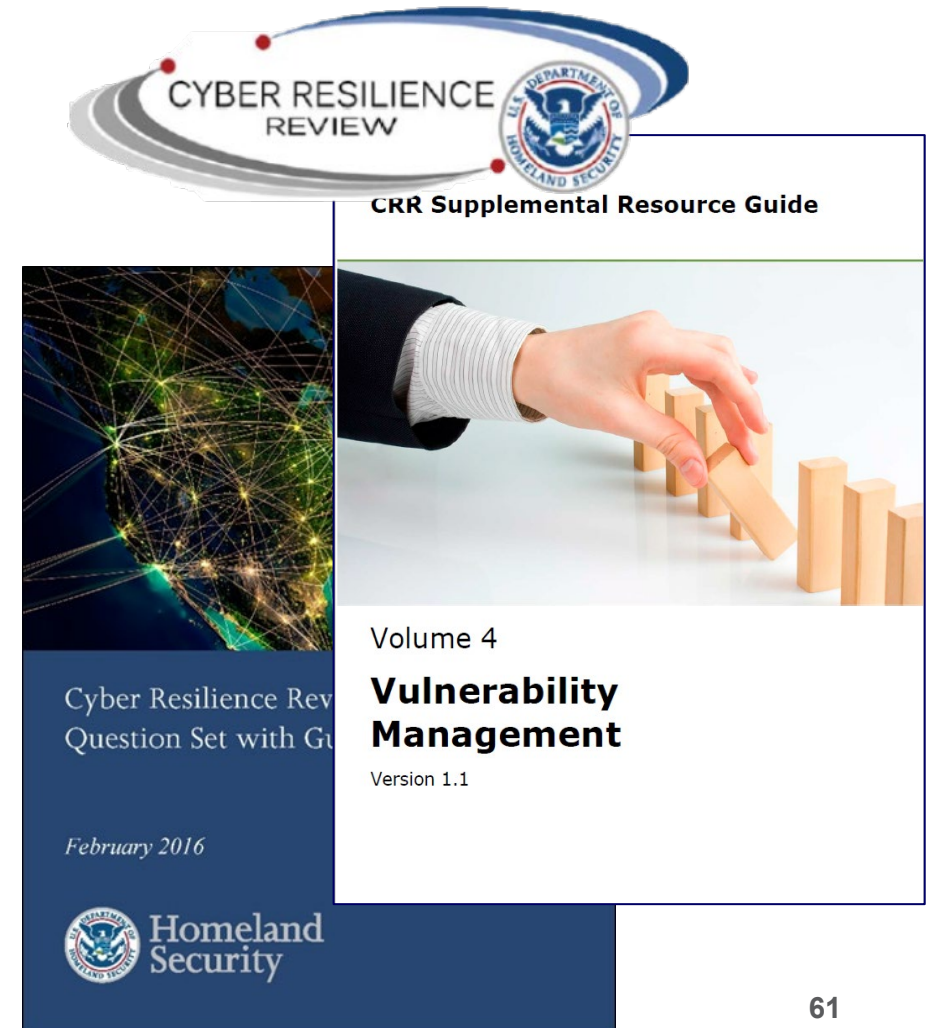
**Goal:** The goal of the workshop is to provide your organization with tangible takeaway information on how to manage cybersecurity vulnerabilities effectively and ultimately achieve operational resilience.

**Audience:** Organizations that want to learn about an approach to developing a cyber vulnerability management program to identify, analyze, and manage vulnerabilities in their operating environment.

**Format:** In-Person or Virtual



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# Introduction to Digital Forensics Workshop (DFW)

**Description:** An informative and hands-on session designed to help organizations understand digital forensics concepts, key elements, planning and implementation.

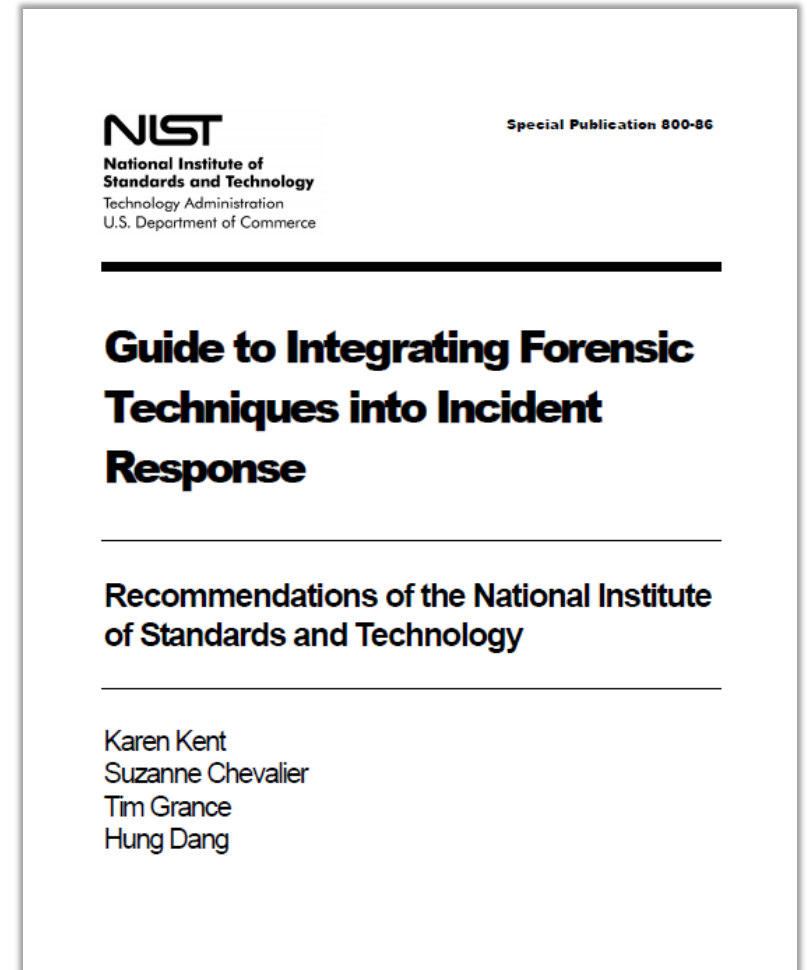
**Goal:** The goal of the workshop is to provide your organization with tangible takeaway information on how to manage digital forensics effectively.

**Audience:** Tailored for incident response teams; forensic analysts; system, network, and security administrators; and computer security program managers who are responsible for performing forensics for investigative, incident response, or troubleshooting purposes.

**Required:** A laptop is required for the hands-on portion of the workshop.



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# Cybersecurity Tabletop Exercise (CTTX)

**Description:** A non-technical facilitated cybersecurity tabletop exercise, where organizations are presented with a cyber threat-based scenario and are challenged to consider how their organization would respond, based on existing incident response plans.

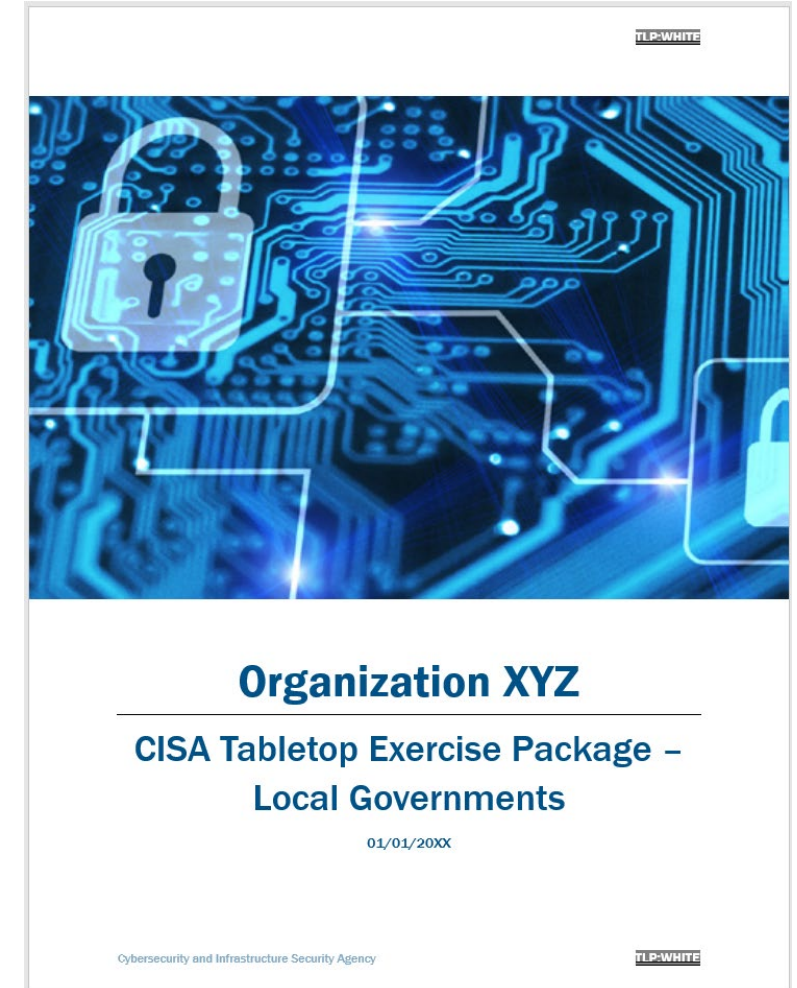
**Goal:** The goal of the workshop is to provide organizations an opportunity to assess their level of readiness to respond to and recover from a cybersecurity incident impacting their operating environment.

**Audience:** Organizations that want to assess their level of readiness to respond to and recover from a cybersecurity incident.

**Format:** In-Person or Virtual



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# National Resources



# Vulnerability Scanning Service (CyHy)

Assess Internet accessible systems for known vulnerabilities and configuration errors

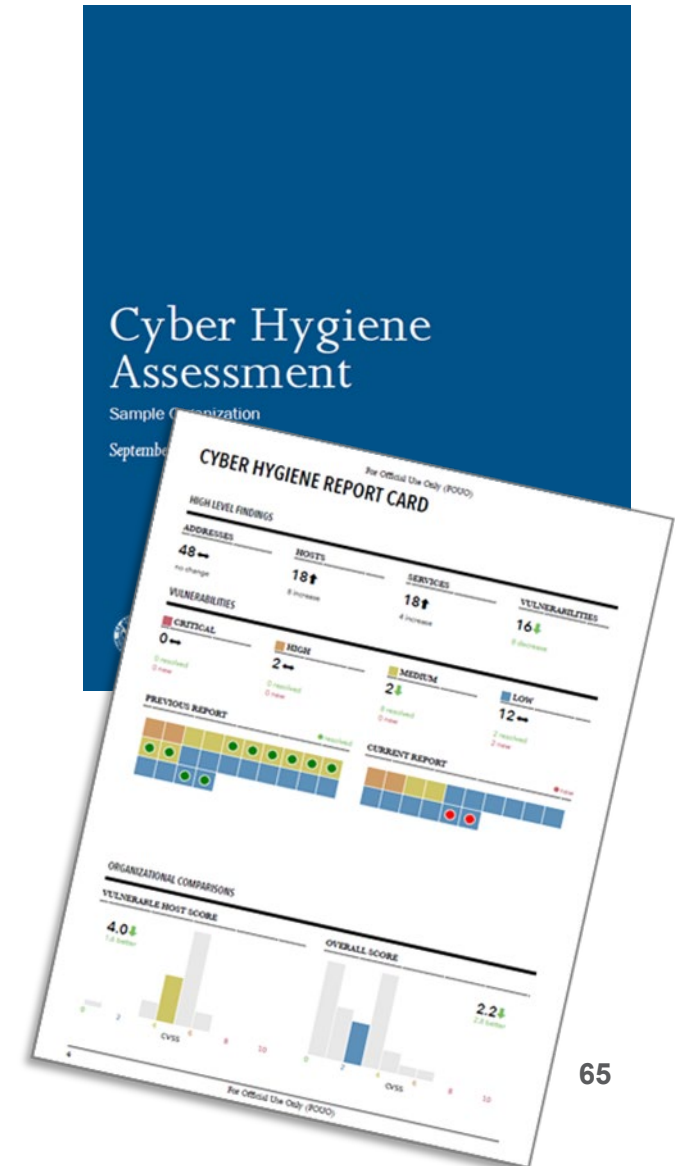
Work with organization to proactively mitigate threats and risks to systems

## Activities include:

- Network Mapping
  - Identify public IP address space
  - Identify hosts that are active on IP address space
  - Determine the O/S and Services running
  - Re-run scans to determine any changes
  - Graphically represent address space on a map
- Network Vulnerability & Configuration Scanning
  - Identify network vulnerabilities and weakness



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# Information Sharing & Situational Awareness Resources



# Automated Indicator Sharing (AIS)

- **Automated Indicator Sharing (AIS):** Rapid and wide sharing of machine-readable cyber threat indicators and defensive measures at machine-speed for network defense purposes
- AIS is about volume and velocity of sharing indicators, ***not*** human validation.




Link: [Automated Indicator Sharing \(AIS\) | CISA](#)

# Cybersecurity Alerts & Advisories

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# Cybersecurity Education and Training Resources



# Federal Virtual Training Environment (FedVTE)

Cyber professionals can continue to improve their skills through hands-on training opportunities.

FedVTE is an online, on-demand training center that provides free cybersecurity training for federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial government employees and to U.S. veterans.

## Example Content:

- Cloud Computing Security
- Cloud Security - What Leaders Need to Know
- Cryptocurrency for Law Enforcement for the Public
- Cyber Supply Chain Risk Management for the Public
- Cyber-essentials
- Understanding DNS Attack
- Understanding Web and Email Server Security
- Don't Wake Up to a Ransomware Attack
- Foundations of Cybersecurity for Managers
- Fundamentals of Cyber Risk Management
- Introduction to Cyber Intelligence
- Securing Internet-Accessible Systems
- 101 Coding for the Public
- 101 Reverse Engineering for the Public



<https://fedvte.usalearning.gov>



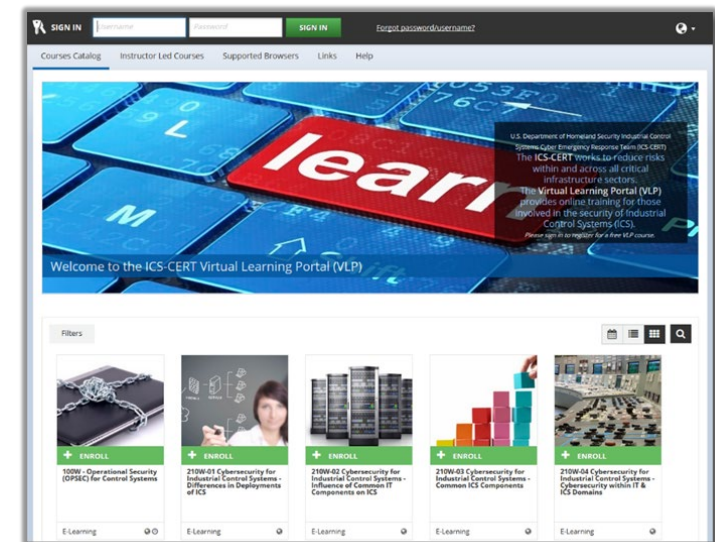
# ICS Training Opportunities

## ICS-CERT Virtual Learning Portal (VLP)

- Virtual & Instructor Led Training; No Cost

### Courses:

- Introduction to Control Systems Cybersecurity (101) - 8 hrs
- Intermediate Cybersecurity for Industrial Control Systems (201) - 8 hrs
- Intermediate Cybersecurity for Industrial Control Systems (202) - 8 hrs
- ICS Cybersecurity (301V) - 12 hrs
- ICS Cybersecurity (301L) - 5 days
- ICS Cybersecurity (401) - 5 days



<https://ics-training.inl.gov/learn/signin>

# IMR Training Series

The Identify, Mitigate, and Recover (IMR) incident response curriculum provides a range of training offerings encompassing cybersecurity awareness and best practices for organizations, live red/blue team network defense demonstrations emulating real-time incident response scenarios, and hands-on cyber range training courses for incident response practitioners.

			
Awareness Webinars:	Cyber Range Training:	Cyber Range Challenges:	Observe The Attack Series:
Guidance for organizational readiness and best practices	Skill development through step-action labs	Live incident response scenarios for experienced practitioners	Guided red/blue team incident response demonstrations
Open to ALL levels	Open to ALL levels	Intermediate to Advanced	Beginner to Intermediate
no cap	cap ~35	cap ~50	no cap
1hr event	4hr event	8hr event	2hr event

## Topics for Awareness Webinars & Cyber Range Training:

- Ransomware
- Cloud Security
- Business Email Compromise
- Vulnerabilities of Internet-Accessible Systems
- Web and Email Server Attacks
- DNS Infrastructure Attacks
- High Value Assets/Critical Assets
- Indicators of Compromise
- Incident Analysis with tool demo
- Investigating logs for incidents

## Topics for Cyber Range Challenges & Observe the Attack Series:

- Ransomware
- Cloud Security
- Business Email Compromise

For more info: [education@cisa.dhs.gov](mailto:education@cisa.dhs.gov)  
Or visit: <https://www.cisa.gov/incident-response-training>

# Cybersecurity Incident Reporting



# Phishing and Incident Reporting / Malware Analysis

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**Where/How/When to Report Incidents:** <https://www.cisa.gov/forms/report>

If there is a suspected or confirmed cyber attack or incident that affects core government or critical infrastructure functions and/or results in the loss of data, system availability or control of systems.

**Report Phishing to:** [phishing-report@us-cert.gov](mailto:phishing-report@us-cert.gov)

CISA partners with the Anti-Phishing Working Group (APWG) to collect phishing email messages and website locations to help people avoid becoming victims of phishing scams.

**Advanced Malware Analysis Center:** <https://malware.us-cert.gov>

Provides 24x7 dynamic analyses of malicious code. Stakeholders submit samples via an online website and receive a technical document outlining the results of the analysis. Experts will detail recommendations for malware removal and recovery activities.

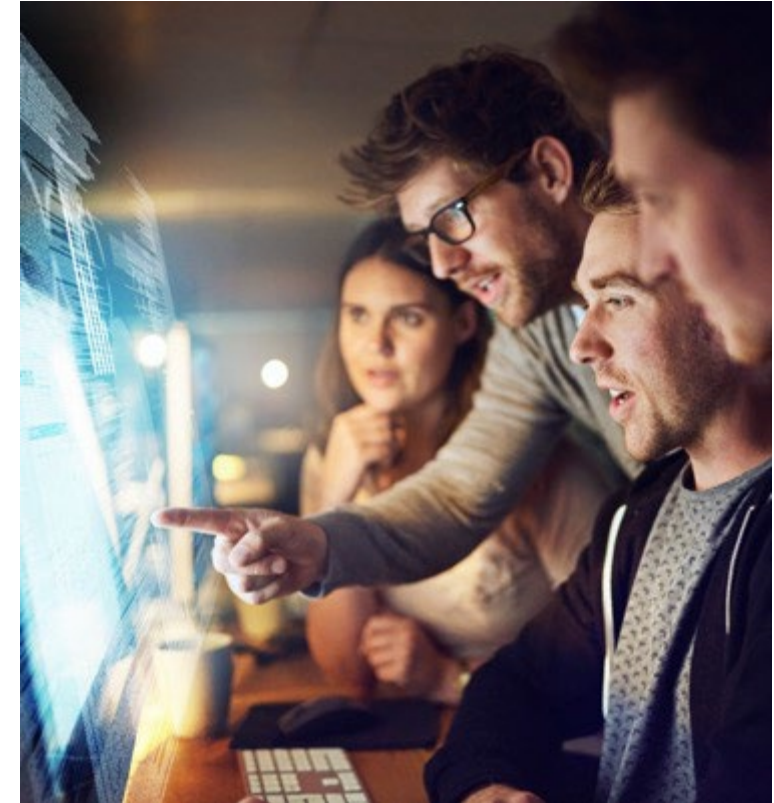


# Next Steps: Partnership Formation

**Would you like to know more about CISA's no-cost cyber resources and partnership opportunities?**

## **Next Steps:**

1. Contact your CISA Regional Office ([Region Offices](#));
2. Request an initial Cyber Protective Visit (CPV) from your Cybersecurity Advisor (CSA) or State Cybersecurity Coordinator (CSC); and
3. Explore discuss how CISA can assist you in assessing and managing your organization's cybersecurity risk.



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**CISA INCIDENT REPORTING SYSTEM**

<https://us-cert.cisa.gov/forms/report>

**CISA CENTRAL - 24/7 Watch**

(888) 282-0870; [report@cisa.gov](mailto:report@cisa.gov)

**FBI's 24/7 Cyber Watch (CyWatch)**

(855) 292-3937; [CyWatch@fbi.gov](mailto:CyWatch@fbi.gov)