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CForum: A Community Approach for Improving Cybersecurity Programs



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CForum is an online community working together to improve cybersecurity



- CForum continues the conversation started during the NIST Cybersecurity Framework workshops as:
 - a place to collaborate about measuring and improving cybersecurity
 - an environment for discussing emerging threats to cybersecurity information and operation technology
 - a forum for thought leaders to share information

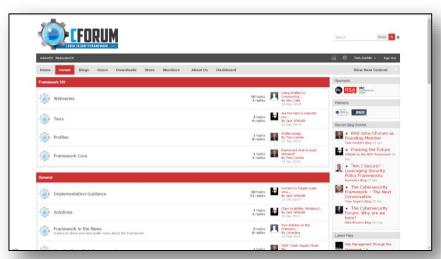
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We will answer several primary questions regarding CForum today



- Why was CForum established?
- What are the objectives of CForum?
- How do you use CForum?



Format of the presentation follows the CSF steps



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CSF Steps 1 and 2
Prioritize, Determine Scope and Orient

Executive Order 13636 asked for the creation of a Cybersecurity Framework for all sectors



- Executive Order Requirements
 - Be flexible
 - Be non-prescriptive
 - Leverage existing approaches, standards, practices
 - Be globally applicable
 - Focus on risk management vs. rote compliance



- Referred to as "The Framework"
- Issued by NIST on February 12, 2014.





CForum continues the dialogue started during the Framework Development







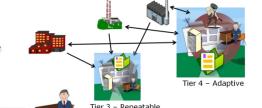
The Framework establishes three primary components



Framework Core

Function	Category	Subcategory	
(II)		ID.OV-1: Organizational information security policy is established	- COB - HA 6 - HO 1 - N152
DENTIFY (D)	regulatory, legal, risk, environmental, and	ID.GV-2: Information security roles & responsibilities are coordinated and aligned with	COS HA HA NES
		ID.GV-3: Legal and regulatory requirements regarding often sourity, including privacy and circl Shenies oftigations, are understood and managed	CO A55 184 5-3-1-209 186 6C 2 7001-2013 A NSI S 25 800-53 Rec. 4-1 of
RECOVER (RC) RESPOND (RS) DETECT (DE) PROTECT (PR)	Anten Casenti (PEAC); Access to assets and asso sand facilities is limited to as thereof store, processes, or devices, and to authorized archivins and researchines.	PRAC-1: Identities and credentials are managed for authorized devices and users	CCS CSC 18 COSHT 5750554-7050560 HAS 61443-1-2109 4-13.5.1 HAS 64443-1-2109 5E.11, 5E.1., 5E.1 LIA ELIS HOTEC 7905-1201 AS 21. AS 22. AS 2.0 NIET SPRASS Rev. ACC., LA Franch
		PR.AC-2: Physical access to assets is managed and protected	COBIT 5 D500104, D500300 HA 65443-1:2009 43333, 43338 HOUSE 0 700:2018 A11.11, A1112, A1114, A1114, NIST 89 800-53 Re. 49 72, 72 -4, 72 -6, 72 -6, 72 -6
DE)		DE.AE-1: A baseline of network operations and expected data flows for users and systems is established and managed	COBIT 5 D8103.01 15A 62443-2-1:2009 4.43.3 NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 AC-4, CA-3, CM-2, SS4
DETECT (As made n and Events (DE.AE): As orations activity is described in a timely measure and the governial impact of events is undestood.	DE.AE-2: Detected events are analyzed to undentand attack tagges and methods	HA 65443-1:2009 413-53, 43-437, 43-435 HA 65443-3:2003 SR 23, SR 29, SR 210, SR 211, SR 212, SR 39, SR 61, SR 62 HOUSE C 7700-1:2013 A 16-11, A 161-4 NIST SP 800-63 Rm: 4 AU-6 CA-7, SR 4, SI 4
		DE AE-3: Event data are aggregated and correlated from multiple sources and sensors	- 18A 62443-3-3:2013 SR 63 - NIST SP 000-53 Rev. 4 AU-4, CA-7, IR-4, IR-5, IR-4, 81-4
(D (RS)	Response Planning (RS.RP): Response processes and procedures are nectured and maintained, to numerically response to describe cybernecturity errors.	R3.RP-1: Repose plan is executed during or after as erest	COBIT 5 BAD110 CCS CIC 13 184 (3143-34:2004 43-4.31 180 (18C 2 7001:2013 43-6.13 NIST 187 0001:2013 43-6.13 NIST 187 0001:2013 43-6.13
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(RC)	Receivery Planning (RCRP) Recovery processes and procedures are executed and maintained to misure timely enstoration of systems or assets affected by cybersecurity events.	RCRP-1: Recoveryylan is executed during or after as event	CCS CSC S COBIT 5 D5501001, D5501.04 ISO IEC 2 T001:2013 A 16.1.5 NIST S P 800-CS Re. a CP - 40, IE-4, IE-4
VER	Improvements (RCIM): Recovery planning and processes are improved by incorporating lessons learned into future activities.	RCIM-1: Recovery glass incorporate lessons	COBIT 5 BAD 507 IBA 62443-2-1 4-4 5 4 NIST SP800-51 Ret. 4 CP-2, IR-4, IR-5
0	Communications (RC.CO): Restoration activities	RC.CO-1: Public relations are managed	- COBIT 5 EDM03.02
REC	are coordinated with internal and extremal parties, such as coordinating centers. Internet Service Providers, urrears of attacking systems, victims, other CSETS and vectors.	RC.CO.3: Reputation after an errent's repaired RC.CO.3: Recovery activities are communicated to internal statebolders and executive and management	COBIT SMEASS 02 NIST SP 806-53 Rev. 4 CP-2, IR-4

Implementation Tiers





Framework Profiles

Function	Category	Subcategory	Priority	Org Policy	Org Practices	Status	/ Evidence
	Asset Management (IDAN): The data, personnel, derece, systems, and facilities that enable the expanization to achieve business purposes are dendified and managed consistent with their relative morporateur to business objectives and the organization's risk strategy.	ID.AM-1: Physical devices and systems within the organization are inventoried	М				
		ID.AM-2: Software platforms and applications within the organization are inventoried	L				
IDENTIFY (ID)		ID.AM-3: Organizational communication and data flows are mapped	н				
		ID.AM-4: External information systems are catalogued	М				
		ID.AM-5: Resources (e.g., hardware, devices, data, and software) are prioritized based on	М				
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The Framework Core establishes a common language



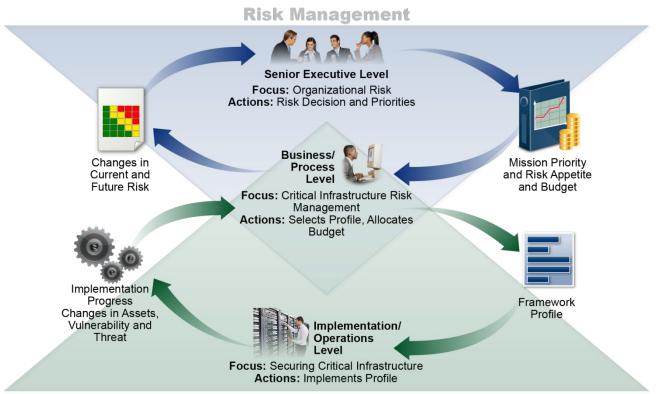
- Consists of 5 Functions
 - Identify, Protect, Detect, Respond, Recover
- Describes a set of cybersecurity activities, desired outcomes
- Includes references to industry proven standards
- Three levels (Function, Categories, and Subcategories) of fidelity

Framework Core						
Function Unique Identifier	Function	Category Unique Identifier	Category			
		AM	Asset Management			
		BE	Business Environment			
ID	Identify	GV	Governance			
		RA	Risk Assessment			
		RM	Risk Management			
		AC	Access Control			
	Protect	AT	Awareness and Training			
PR		DS	Data Security			
		IP	Information Protection Processes and Procedure			
		PT	Protective Technology			
	Detect	AE	Anomalies and Events			
DE		CM	Security Continuous Monitoring			
		DP	Detection Processes			
		СО	Communications			
RS		AN	Analysis			
RS	Respond	MI	Mitigation			
		IM	Improvements			
	Recover	RP	Recovery Planning			
RC		IM	Improvements			
		CO	Communications			



The Framework establishes a common language for cybersecurity







We also need a common language to help normalize and optimize activities



- Goal: Comply once use many
- NIST identified > 450 commonly used standards & practices
- Many of these share categories and families of controls in common
- Keeping up with multiple compliance frameworks is resource intensive and costly
- Need to express requirements and status to supply chain partners



For example: NIST SP 800-53 Control AC-3, ISO 27002:2013 A.9.4.1, and IEC 15408 FDP_ACC.2 all point to "access control" processes



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CSF Steps 3 and 4
Current Profile and Risk Assessment

CForum is an online forum for sharing lessons learned and good practices



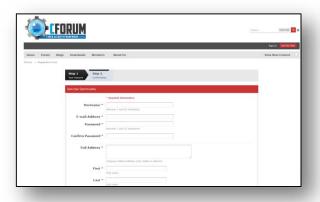
- Industry leaders such as Tony Sager and Mike Brown help spark security conversations
- Several hundred users help ensure a balanced approach
- Relevant topic areas include:
 - Framework specific training and discussion
 - Topics for individual critical information sectors
 - Next iteration of the Framework
 - Implementation Guidance
 - Supply Chain Risk Management



CForum is a free online community bringing all sectors together



- Users can join for free to share experiences and ask questions
- Users can take advantage of the examples and lessons learned posted by others



- Federal agencies are jump starting but aren't the long-term solution – governance will eventually transfer to "Industry"
- Assist industry in owning and leading cybersecurity management practices



CForum Members Responded to the 2015 NIST Request for Information





- CForum members are some of the most CSFinformed participants in the nation.
- The Forum requested feedback on several aspects of CSF usage, update and governance:
 - Components that are/are not useful?
 - Additions, changes or removals?
 - Improvements to CSF information sharing?
 - Private sector's involvement in future CSF governance?
 - Transitioning some/all of CSF coordination?
 - How to evaluate whether the transition partner has capacity to work effectively with domestic/intl organizations and governments?



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Join cybersecurity and industry experts



- Experts in cybersecurity are invited to blog
- Sector specific blogs share relevant information
- Online collaboration provides access to industry leading experts



- A central locations for identifying best practices and guidance on cybersecurity
- Share your challenges to help others avoid similar pitfalls



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CSF Steps 5 through 7
Target Profile, Gap Analysis and Action Plan

Improve Security for the Community by leveraging shared templates



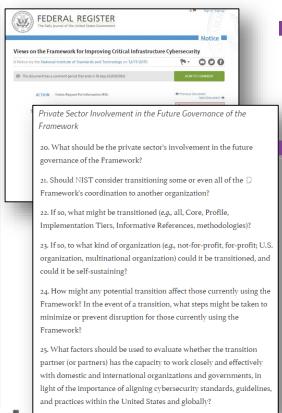
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		ID.AM-6: Cybersecurity roles and responsibilities for the entire workforce and third-party	н				

- Why re-invent the wheel?
- Take advantage of lessons learned by others
- Jump start use of cybersecurity resources by using shared templates
- Identify opportunities for consistency within and across critical infrastructure sectors



Industry leading the evolution of the Cybersecurity Framework





- Our target is for CForum to represent a consortium of security professionals and owner/operators across multiple industries
 - CForum members and organizations helping to implement:
 - Private sector's involvement
 - CSF Governance
 - Criteria for participation and for providing industry resources



Assessing the Gaps and the Road Ahead



- The current forum has hundreds of participants but very few are active we need more voices asking more detailed questions.
- If the site is to provide value, we need more organizations providing anonymized examples of use.
- This is a community opportunity if we want to continue to have a voice in the continued CSF evolution, we need to share our vision and experience.



Action Plan Based on Roadmap



- Now that you know where CForum has been and where it's going, we hope that you will join the conversation within the next week.
- Within three months, share information about how CSF is helping to improve communication in your organization.
- Within six months, your organization can be demonstrating your leadership and vision as you post profiles, informative references and/or sample action plans.



We are available if you have additional questions





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