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# Inside Cisco IT: Zero Trust Workplace with TrustSec and Posture

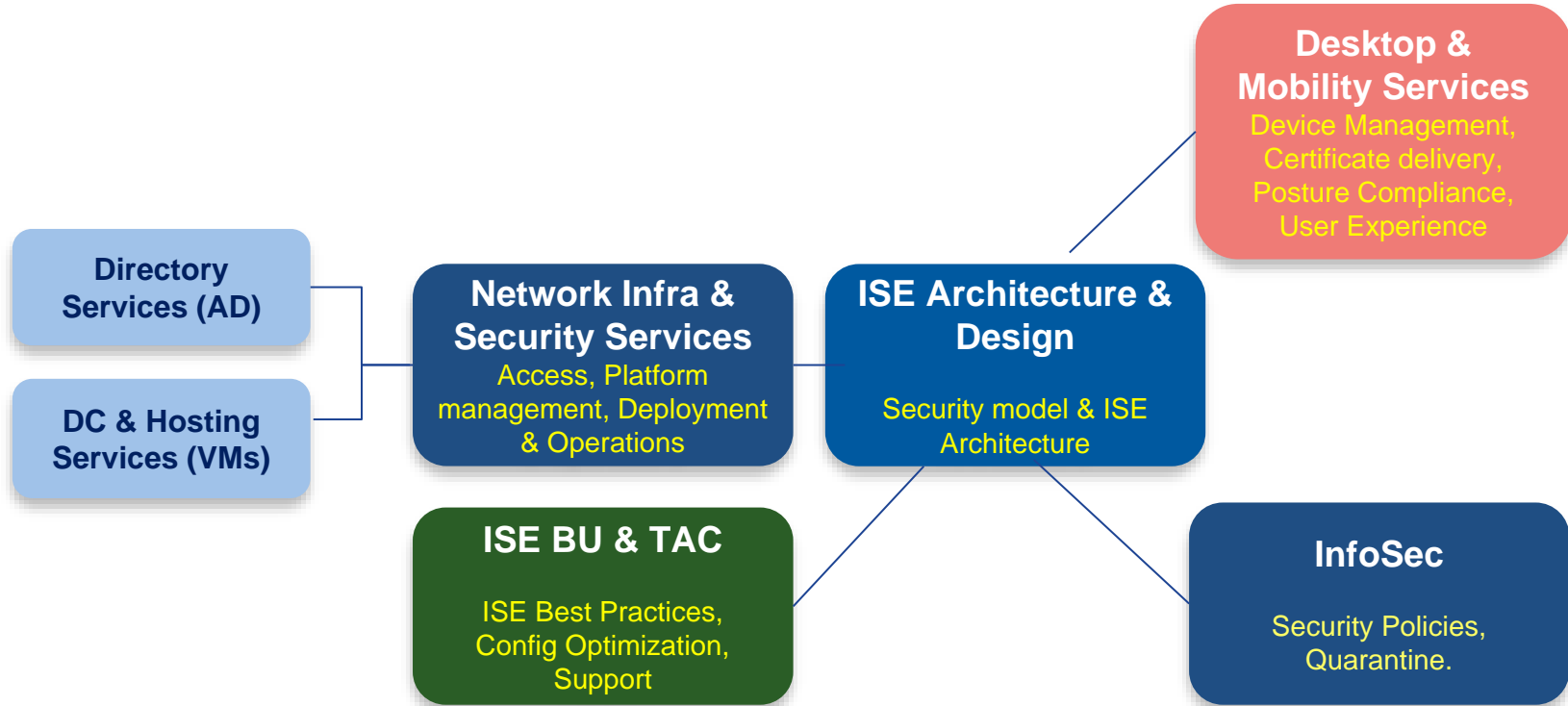
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# Agenda

- Cisco Enterprise Environment
- Users vs Devices
- Network Access Controls
  - VPN access controls
  - On-prem, internal network access (Wired & Wireless)
  - Simplifying the network-join experience
- TrustSec

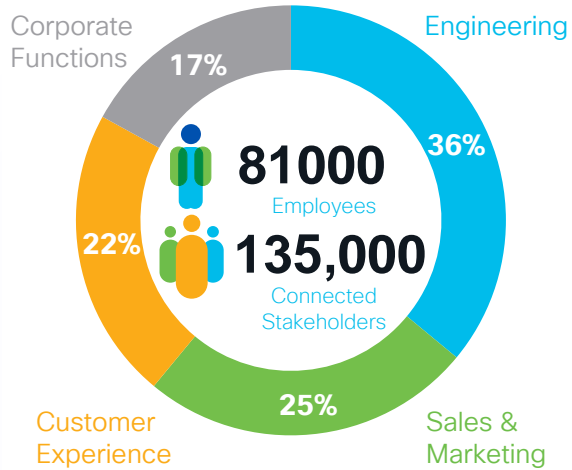
# ISE Program Management Structure



# Cisco Enterprise Environment



# Cisco Enterprise at a Glance



2,483  
Routers



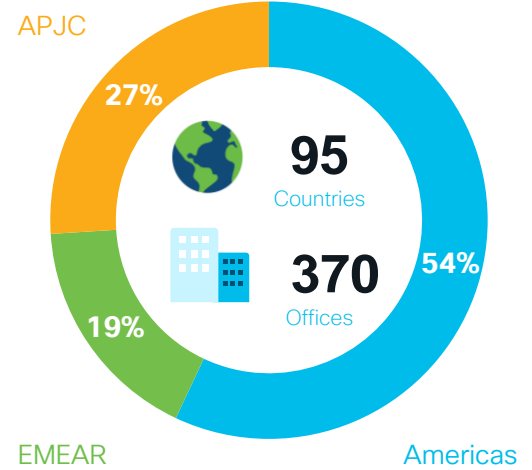
7,194  
LAN Switches



12,553  
Unified Computing  
System Servers

19.5

Billion DNS  
requests per day



22,438

TelePresence  
Units



59,686

Virtual Machines



~527k

Managed End  
Devices

187 PB

Overall Usable  
Storage



1.5 M

Webex Meetings  
per Month



6.25M

Internet Threats  
Blocked Per Day

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# Cisco IT ISE Production Deployment Metrics 2022



ISE 3.1, 10 VMs, 2 DCs



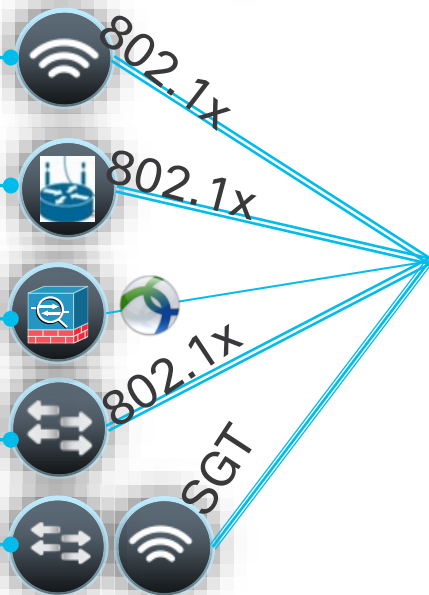
278 WLC

8-9K CVO

62 ASA

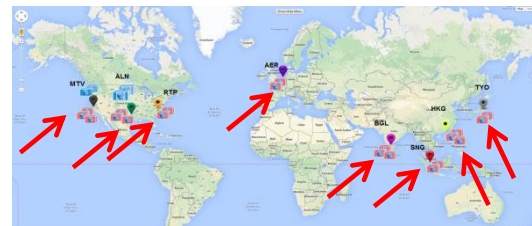
1774 SW

75 Sites



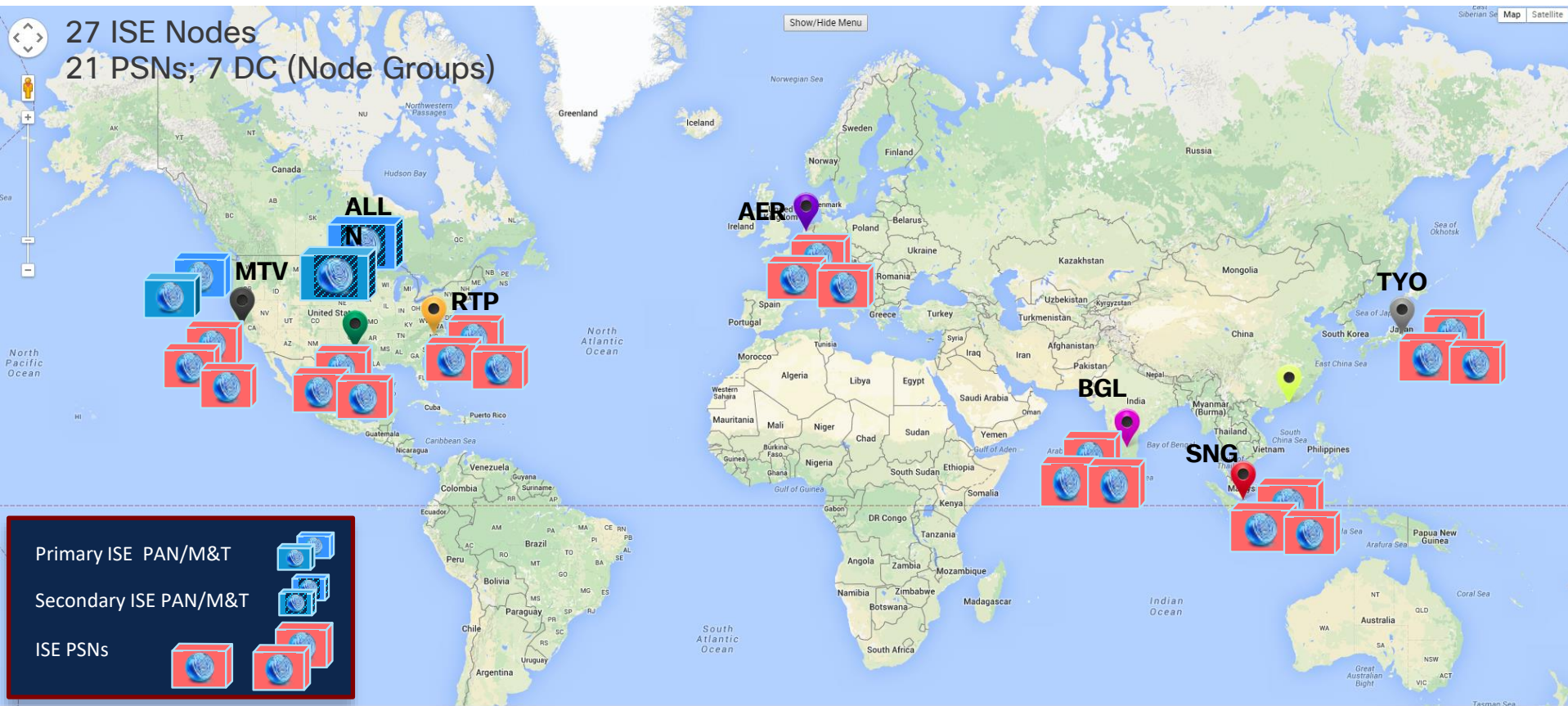
Corporate Access  
WLAN, CVO, VPN,  
LAN

ISE 3.1, 27 VMs, 7 DCs



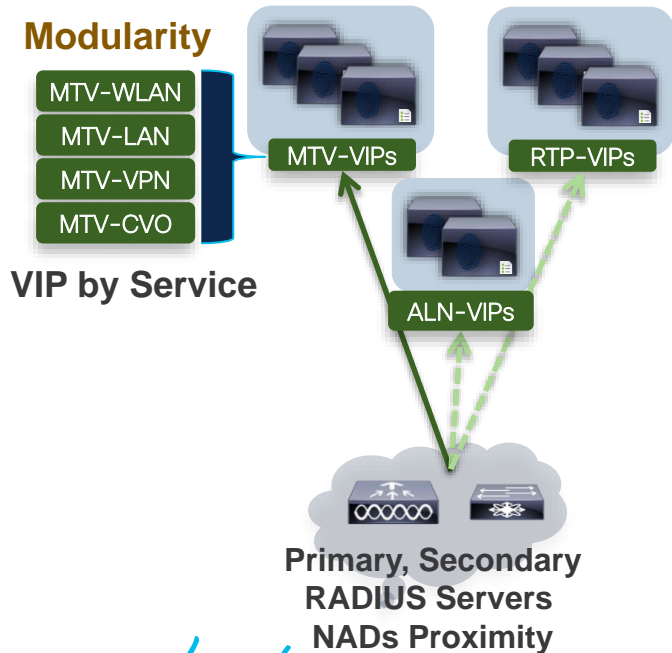
1.36 Million  
profiled  
“Endpoints”

# Global ISE Deployment

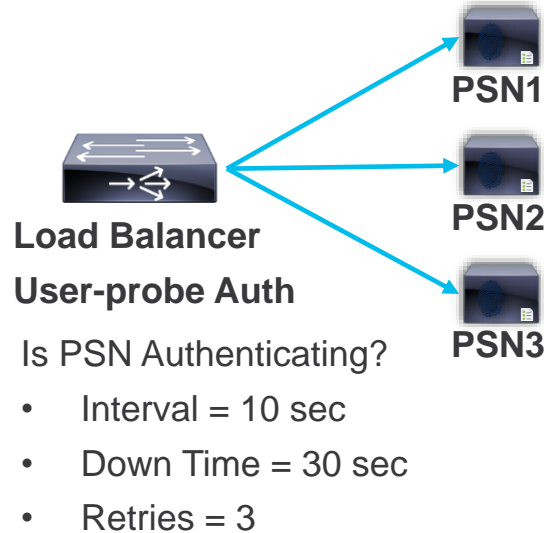


# ISE Deployment High Availability Architecture

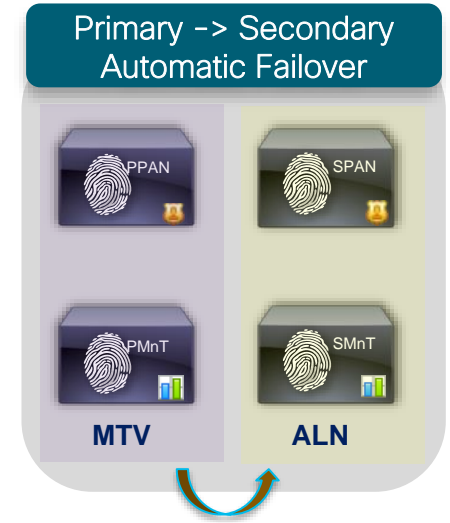
## HA NAD Configuration



## HA SLB Configuration



## ISE Product Evolution





# Guest Access (Internet)

## Registration via Visitor Management System (VMS)

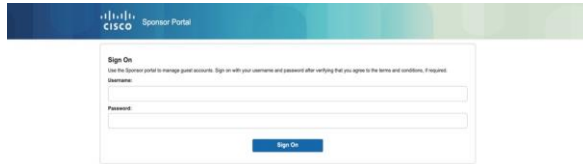


VMS creates Guest Account using API  
Guest Credentials printed on Visitor Badge



ISE

## Employee Sponsored Access



ISE hosted Sponsor Portal



ISE

Employees have differentiated privileges to create Guest Accounts based on Active Directory attributes.  
For example, guest accounts longer than 3 months requires manager approval.  
Create guest accounts in bulk.

Summary

Endpoints

Guests

Vulnerability

Threat

Manage

Total Endpoints

Active Endpoints

Rejected Endpoints

Anomalous Behavior

Authenticated Guests

BYOD Endpoints

1405586

120714

0

0

0

0

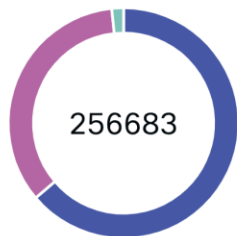
AUTHENTICATIONS

Identity Store

Identity Group

Network Device

Failure Reason

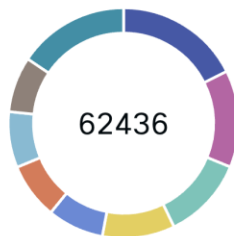


NETWORK DEVICES

Device Name

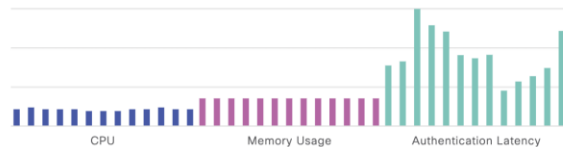
Type

Location



SYSTEM SUMMARY

27 node(s)



BYOD ENDPOINTS

Type

Profile

No data available.

ALARMS

Severity

Name

Occu...

Last Occurred

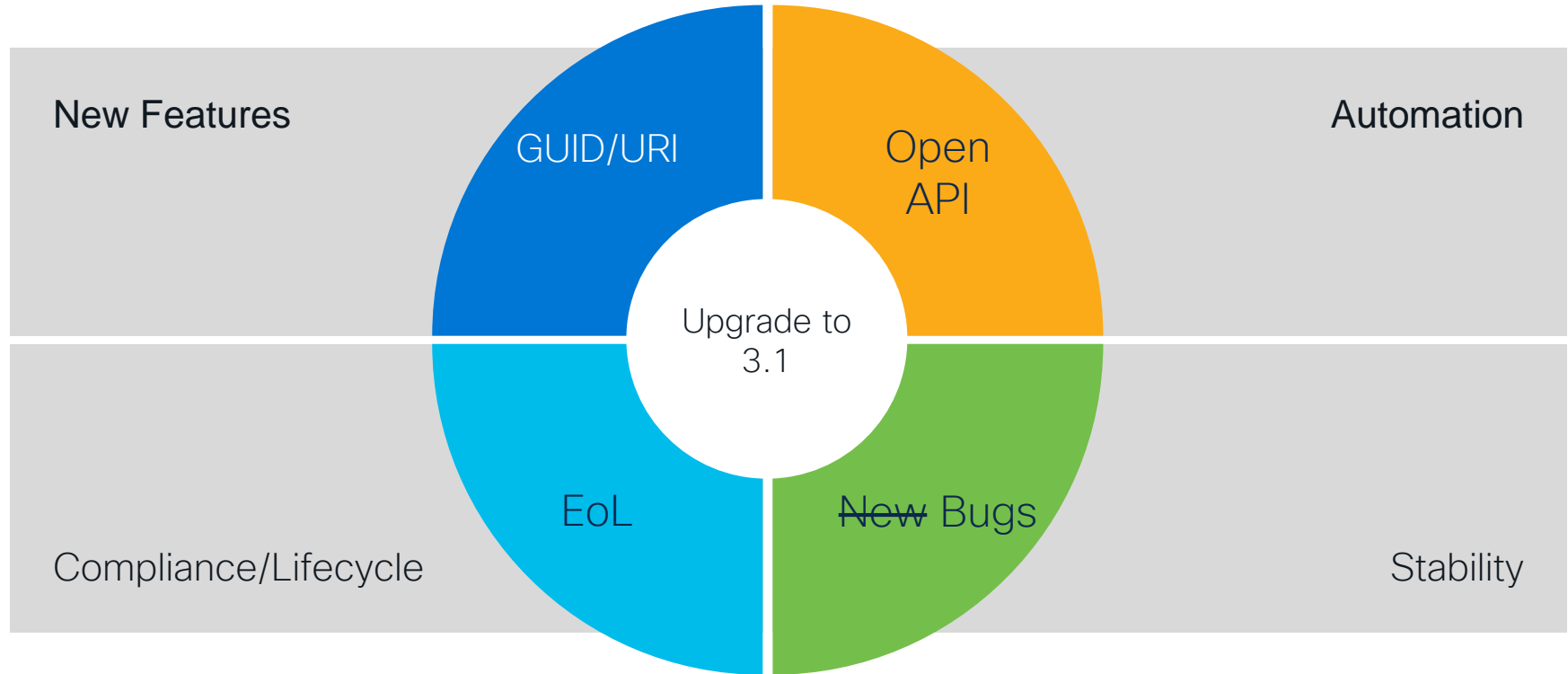
Name

ENDPOINTS

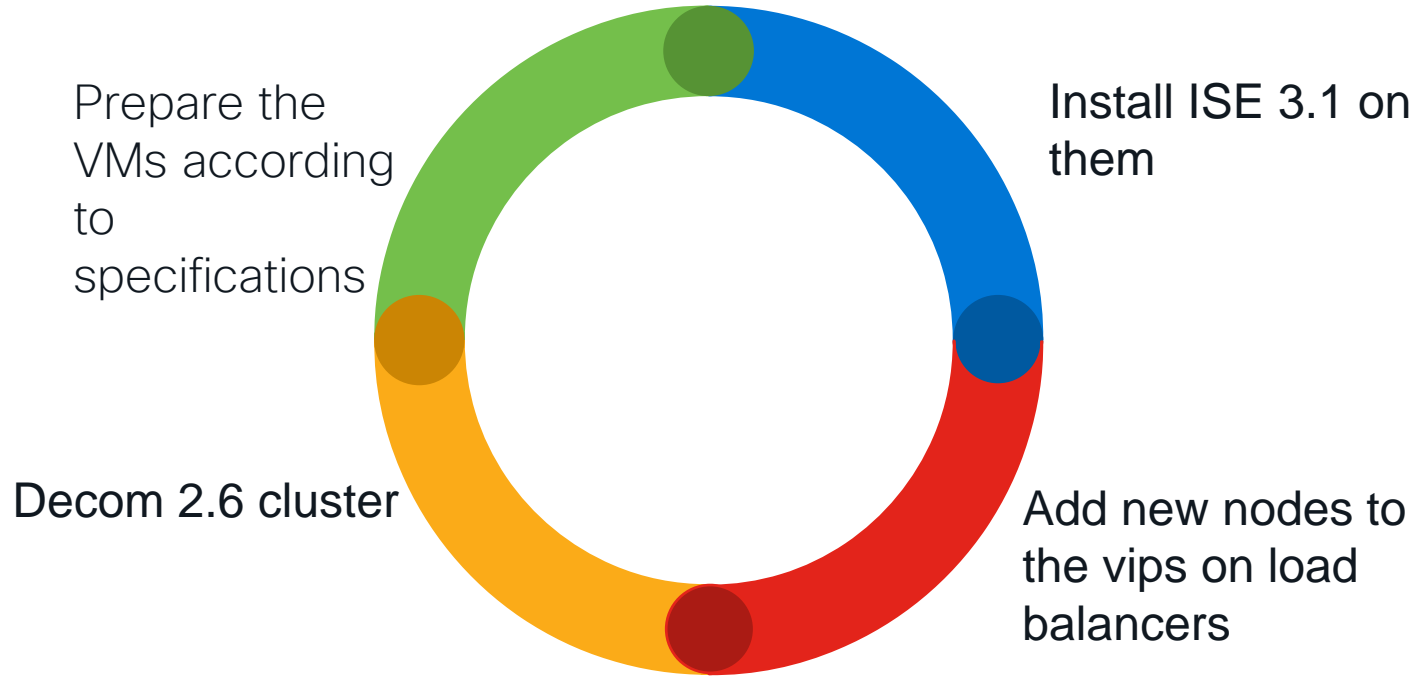
Profile

Logical Profile

# Is it worth the pain?



# This is how we avoid the pain



# Users vs Devices

## *Authentication & Authorization*

# Authentication (AuthC) & Authorization (AuthZ)

## Authentication - “The Process of Verifying the User”

examples:

Authentication: dot1x / EAP-TLS Certificate based / Duo MFA / MAB

Access: VPN, Wireless, Wired

Data source: Active Directory, Duo

## Authorization - “The Process of Verifying what you have access to”

examples:

Authorization policies: Differentiated Network Access based on Device Posture, Quarantine

Agents: AnyConnect Posture Module, Duo Health Agent (DHA)

Data source: Barcode, Secure X, Active Directory

Enforcement: ACLs, Trustsec, Blacklist

# Authentication

Dot1x enabled globally



Certificate (EAP/TLS)



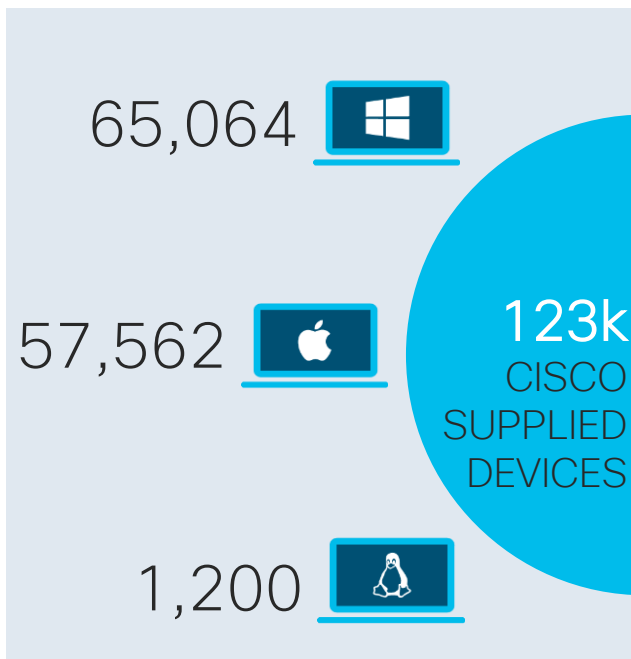
Username & Password (PEAP)



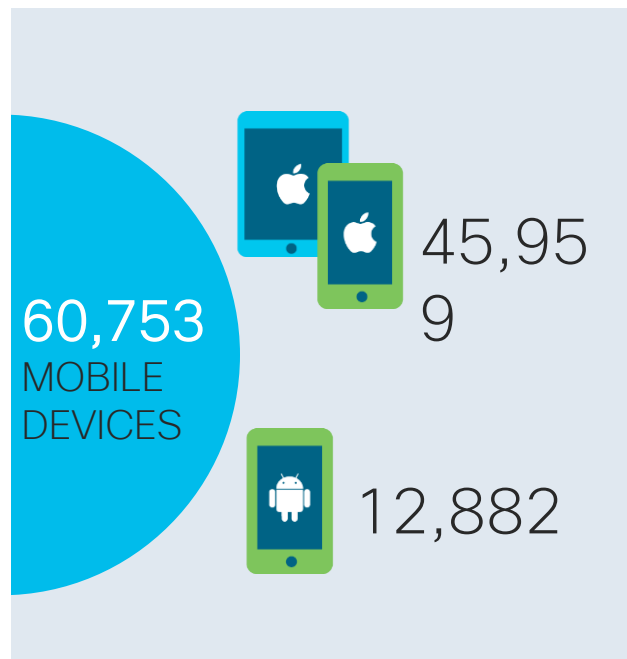
Exception / MAB

# Cisco IT End User Device Landscape

## CISCO SUPPLIED



## BYOD





# Network Access Controls

*Certificate based authentication*

# Passwordless Authentication



Certificate (EAP/TLS)



Username & Password (PEAP)

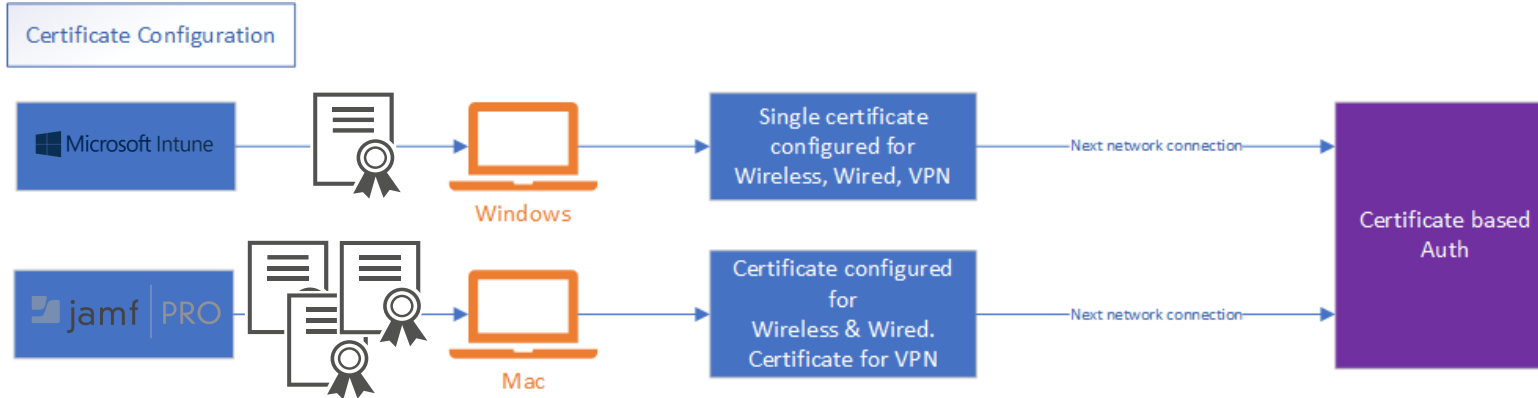
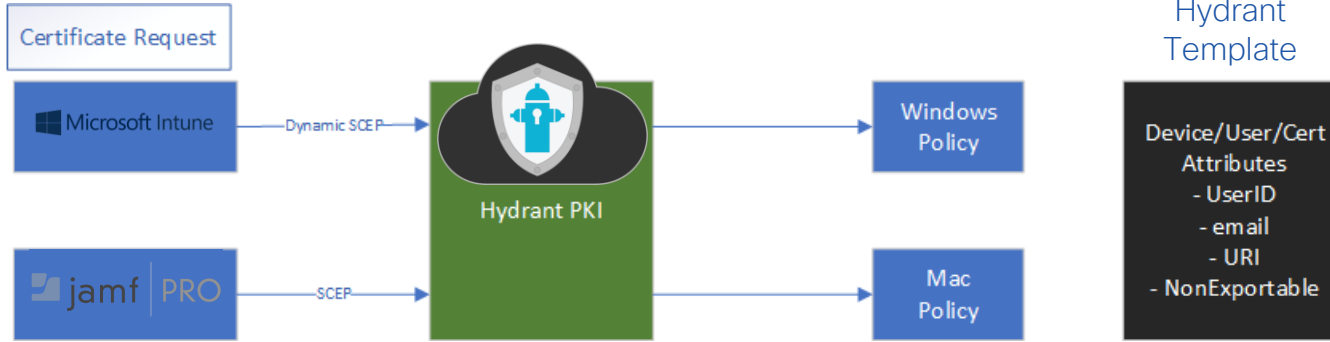


Exception / MAB

# Certificate deployment with Device Management



# Certificate request & delivery

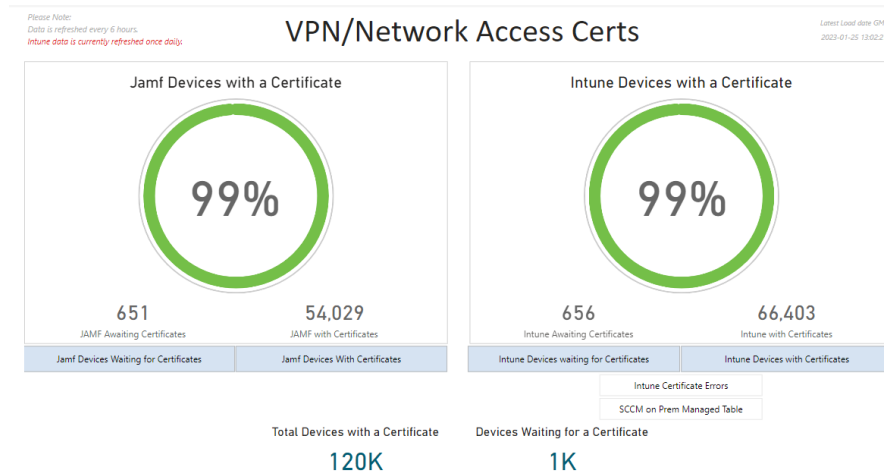


# Lessons Learnt

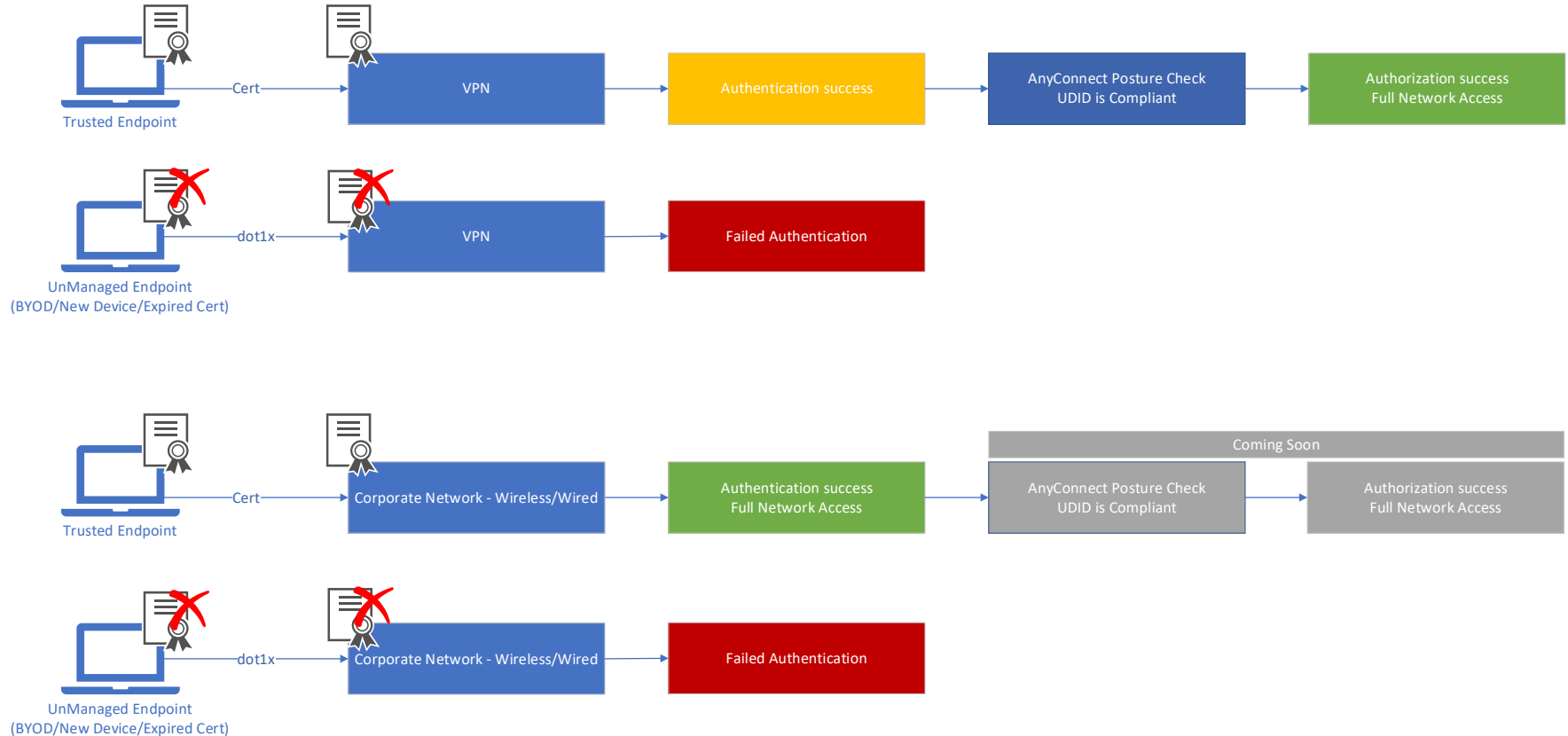
Cloud MDM



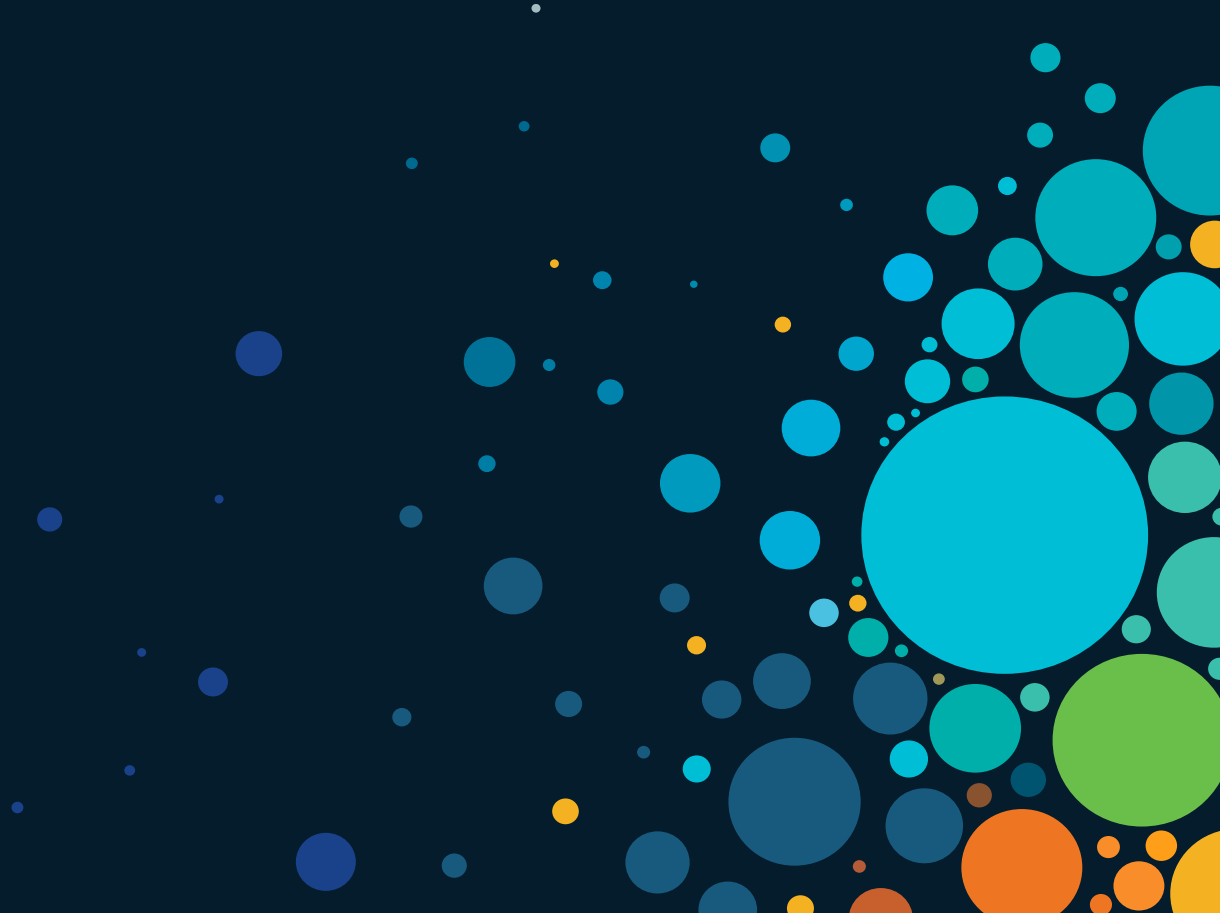
Data driven  
decisions



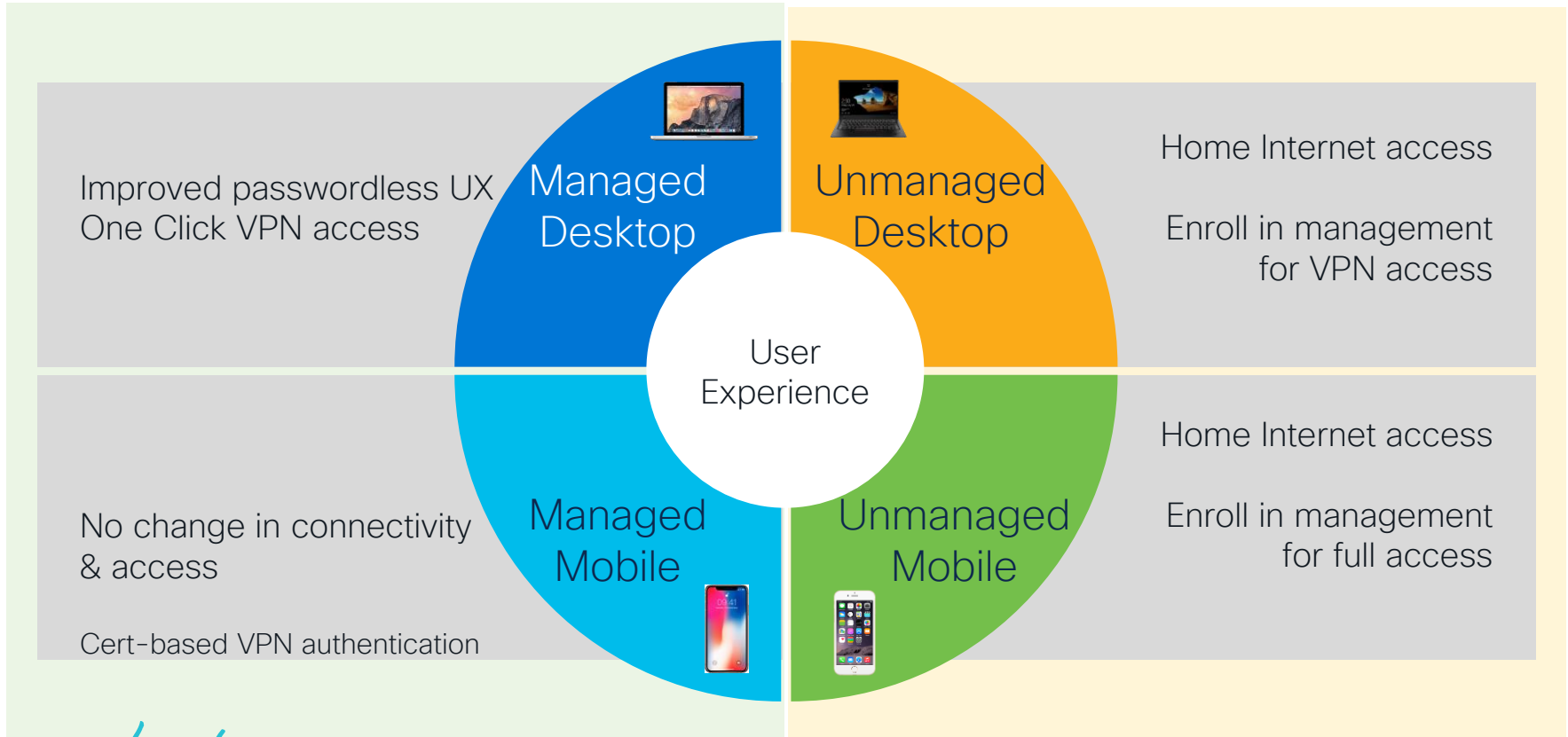
# Certificate based Authentication User Experience



# The User Experience

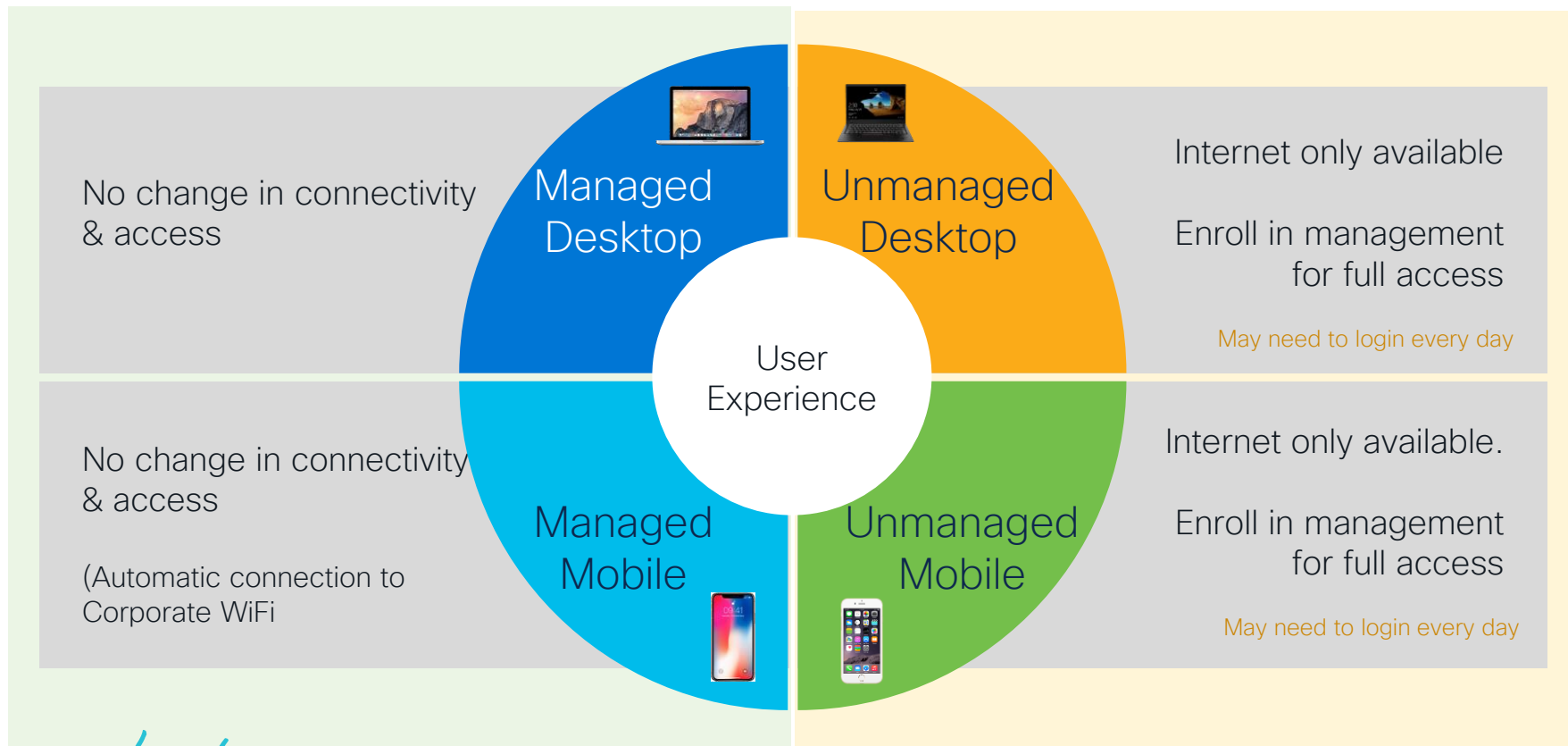


# Improved UX VPN

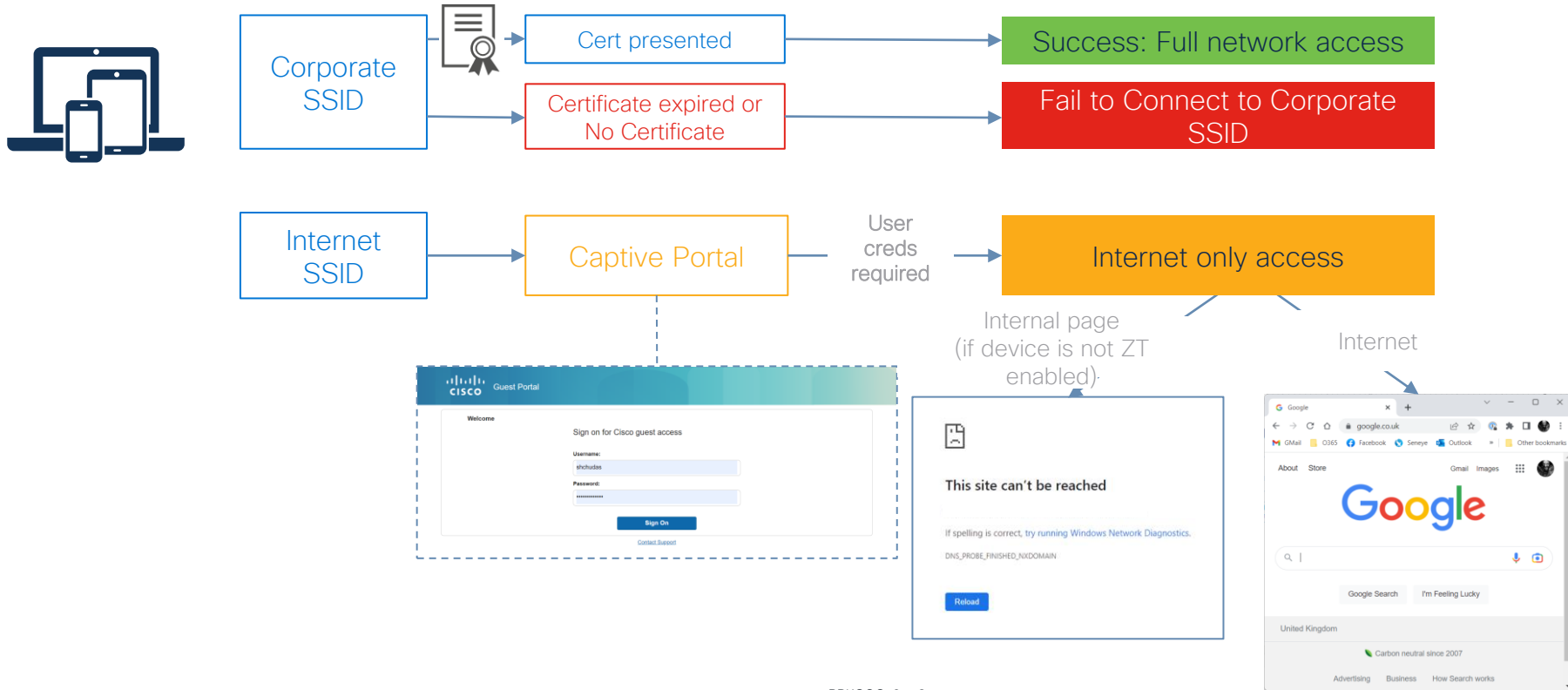




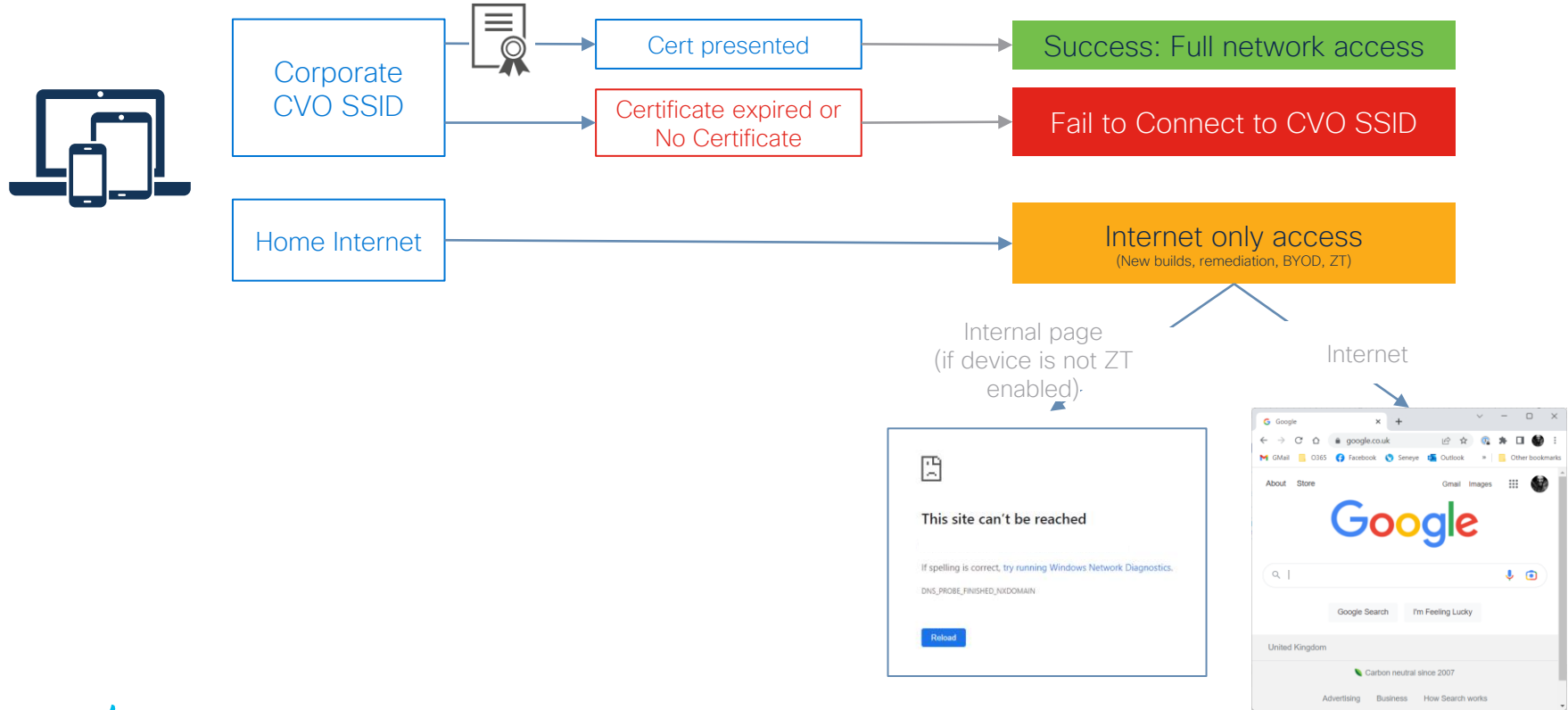
# New UX Corporate Network (Wired/Wireless)



# Expected UX: On-prem Wired/Wireless – Corporate Network



# Expected UX: CVO



# Network Access Controls

*Posture Based Authorization*

# Authorization

Only allow “trusted devices”  
on the Cisco Corporate Network

VPN – Wireless – Wired

# What is a Trusted Device?

1. Device Registration
2. Anti-Malware
3. Encryption (Cisco Data)
4. Minimum OS
5. Software Patching
6. Remote Wipe (Cisco Data)
7. Password/Screen-lock Enforcement
8. Hardware/Software Inventory
9. Rooted Device Detection (Mobile Only)



# Trusted Device with Device Management



# What is Posture?

## Posture

Security configuration of the device

## Assessment

Measure and check against  
Company requirements

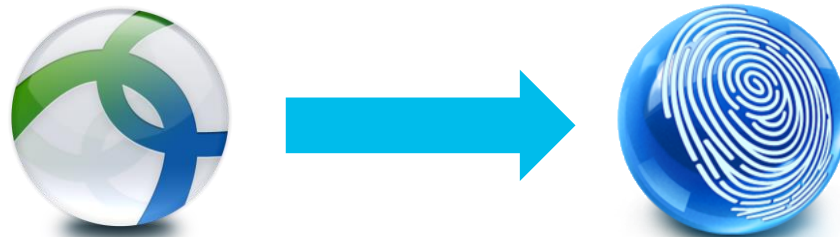




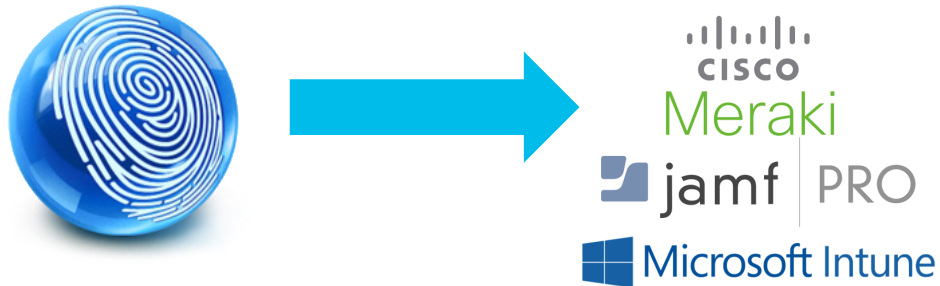
# Posture with ISE & AnyConnect



## ISE & AnyConnect – Posture Conditions



## ISE & AnyConnect – Device Management Integration



# Uncertain Identities

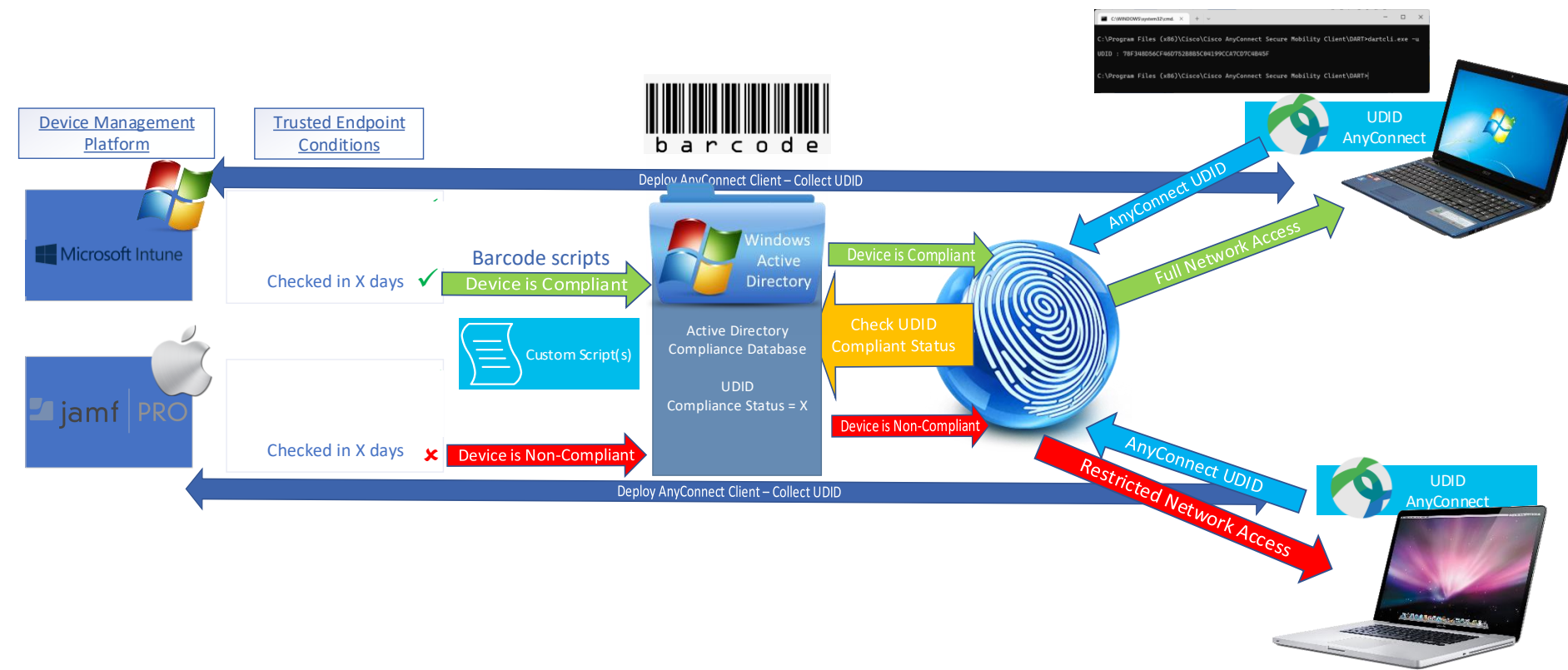


# Desktop Posture with UDID & ISE External Datasource Condition



# Desktop Posture VPN/Wireless/Wired

## ISE External Datasource Condition & AnyConnect Posture Module



# Network Access Controls *The Future*

# ISE and Device Management Integration (2023)

## Cert based Authentication and URI in certificates



# TrustSec



# Cisco TrustSec? A Quick Refresher..

## The Three Pillars of TrustSec

### Classification

- User or device connects
- Assignment of specific Scalable Group Tag (SGT)



### Propagation

- SGT must be propagated from where classification took place
- Inline Tagging or SXP



### Enforcement

- Propagation leads to where enforcement action is invoked
- Determination of an allow or deny



DENIED



PERMITTED

## The Theme Park Analogy



# So, what's an SGT?

- 1 A Scalable Group Tag (SGT) is a 16-bit value Cisco ISE assigns to the user or endpoint upon login (Classification stage)
- 2 Upon the propagation of said SGT (Inline or SXP) – decisions for enforcement can be made at destination based off of the Source SGT/IP
- 3 Inline Tagging allows for packets send/received to have the SGT embedded (carried via the CMD header) under EtherType 0x8909

✓	TelePresence	EndPoints:LogicalProfile EQUALS TelePresence	ReauthTimer	UC_MAB_Permit_Access...	TelePresence	207422	⚙
IP_Phone_MAB	OR	IdentityGroup-Name STARTS_WITH Endpoint Identity Groups:Profiled:Cisco-IP-Phone	ReauthTimer	UC_MAB_Permit_Access...	IPT_UCV_ENDPOINTS	749259	⚙
		IdentityGroup-Name STARTS_WITH Endpoint Identity Groups:Profiled:Cisco-IP-Phone-DX650					

# And what's an SGACL?

1

Security Group Access Control Lists (SGACLs) allow control over the operations a user can perform, whilst also stripping the requirement for IP addressing

2

SGACLs are defined within ISE / associated to SGTs resulting in agnostic 'role-based permissions' based upon the SGT assigned to a user/endpoint

TrustSec Policy Policy Sets SXP ACI Troubleshoot Reports Settings

Security Groups ACLs List > AD\_ACCESS

Security Group ACLs

\* Name  Generation ID: 1

Description

IP Version ☒ IPv4 ☐ IPv6 ☐ Agnostic

\* Security Group ACL content

```
permit udp dst eq 464
permit tcp dst eq 636
permit tcp dst eq 3268
permit tcp dst eq 3269
permit tcp dst range 55150 55750
permit udp dst range 55150 55750
```

Edit + Add Clear Mapping Configure Push Monitor All - Off

Source Security Gro... ^

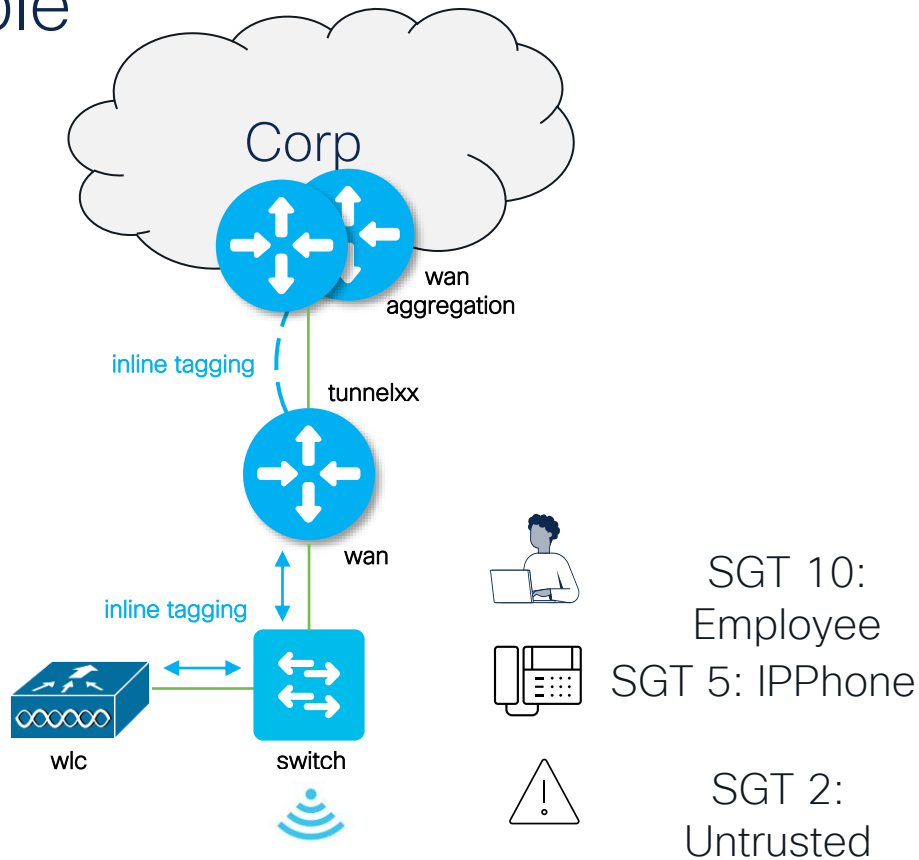
☐ Untrusted (2/0002)

Source Inner Table			
	Status	Destination Security Gr...	Security Group ACLs
<input type="checkbox"/>	✓ Enabled	Cisco_Internal	Deny IP
<input type="checkbox"/>	✓ Enabled	Cisco_AD	Deny IP
<input type="checkbox"/>	✓ Enabled	Printers	Deny IP

## Our Small Office Example

### Active IPv4-SGT Bindings Information

IP Address	SGT	Source	
10.2.32.0/22	3193	SXP	} SXP IP-SGT mappings
10.16.0.0/12	3000	SXP	
10.22.27.17	3123	SXP	
10.22.31.64	3123	SXP	
10.22.31.65	3123	SXP	
10.28.21.224/27	3026	SXP	
10.28.24.0/21	3026	SXP	
10.28.25.43	3014	SXP	
10.10.10.1	2	LOCAL	} Local Site Mappings present / sent
10.10.10.2	5	LOCAL	
10.10.10.3	5	LOCAL	
10.10.10.4	5	LOCAL	
10.10.10.5	17	LOCAL	
10.10.10.6	17	LOCAL	
10.10.10.7	10	LOCAL	
10.10.10.8	10	LOCAL	
10.10.10.9	10	LOCAL	
10.10.10.10	10	LOCAL	
10.10.10.11	10	LOCAL	



# Production Example of TrustSec

## User Access Session (Classified via ISE)

```
Device-xxx# show access-session interface gig1/0/4 det
```

```
Interface: GigabitEthernet1/0/4  
MAC Address: xxxx.xxxx.xxxx  
IPv4 Address: xx.xx.xx.xx  
User-Name: xxxxxx  
Status: Authorized
```

```
...  
<output omitted>
```

```
...  
Server Policies:  
ACS ACL: xACSACLx-IP-PERMIT_ALL_TRAFFIC  
SGT Value: 10
```

```
Method status list:  
Method      State  
dot1x       Authc Success  
mab         Stopped
```

## Role-Based Permissions

```
Device-xxx# show cts role-based permissions
```

```
IPv4 Role-based permissions from group 2:Untrusted to group  
10:Employee: Deny IP-00
```

```
IPv4 Role-based permissions from group 5016:Quarantine to  
group 10:Employee: Deny IP-00
```

```
IPv4 Role-based permissions from group 2:Untrusted to group  
3:Trusted: Deny IP-00
```

```
IPv4 Role-based permissions from group 5016:Quarantine to  
group 3:Trusted: Deny IP-00
```

```
IPv4 Role-based permissions from group 2:Untrusted to group  
4:CTS_Device: Deny IP-00
```

```
IPv4 Role-based permissions from group 20:Camera to group  
15:Video_Recorder: TCP_9000 Deny IP-00
```

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Tuesday, February 7th	8:45	9:45	1:00	Hybrid Workplace - The Future of Work	Ifeoma Nembhardt	Collaboration, Webex	BRKCOC-2738
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Tuesday, February 7th	17:00	18:30	1:30	Inside Cisco IT: Zero Trust Workplace with Trustsec and Posture	Adam Cobbsky Callum Corneille Maria Dede	Security, Switching	BRKCOC-2778
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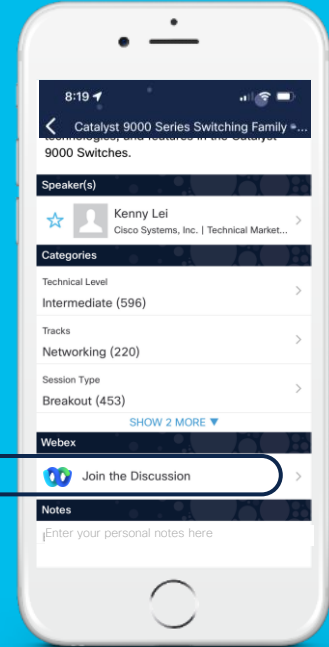
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