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# Changing role of a modern CISO in Digital Transformation Era

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# **Today's Digital Estate**



#### **CISO Challenges**

Narrow perspective

Communication and collaboration

**Talent Shortage** 

False sense of security

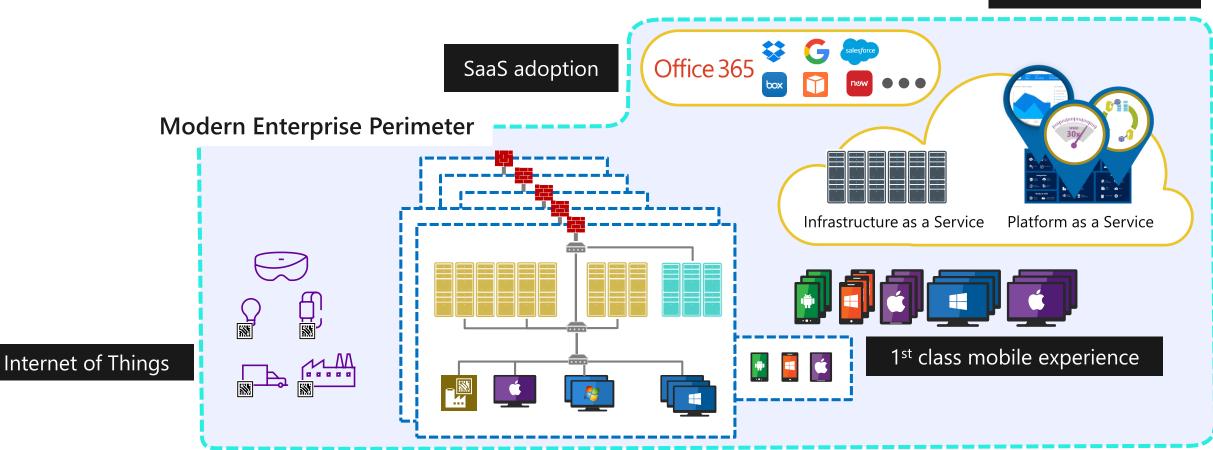
**Competing agendas** 



## Your enterprise in transformation

Requires a modern identity and access security perimeter

Cloud Technology



**ENGAGE**YOUR CUSTOMERS



EMPOWER
YOUR EMPLOYEES



**OPTIMIZE**YOUR OPERATIONS



TRANSFORM
YOUR PRODUCTS



#### **CISO** vs Board of Directors









## Two dreadful questions?

# Have we been breached?

# Are we secure?



#### **Journey**

Untrusted Invisible Traditional

Trusted partner
Visibility
Transformational



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#### **CISO's Focus**

Cybercrime continues to gain pace

Technology got personal

Stakeholders apply mounting pressure

Cyber-enable business has become an imperative

Manage Risk
OR / AND
Deliver Value

Pressure from regulatory compliance increases continuously

The global downturn placed unforeseen pressures on info security



#### **Shift in CISO Role**

Microsoft

Cyber Risk Management

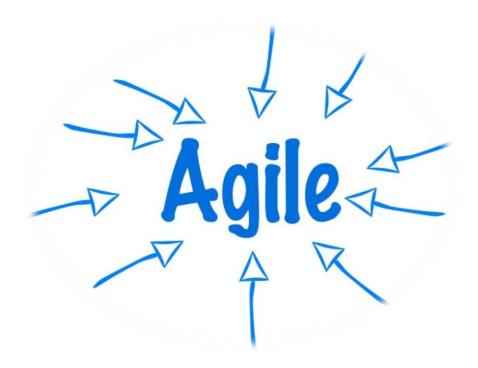
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**Creating Business Value** 

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# **CISO's imperative**





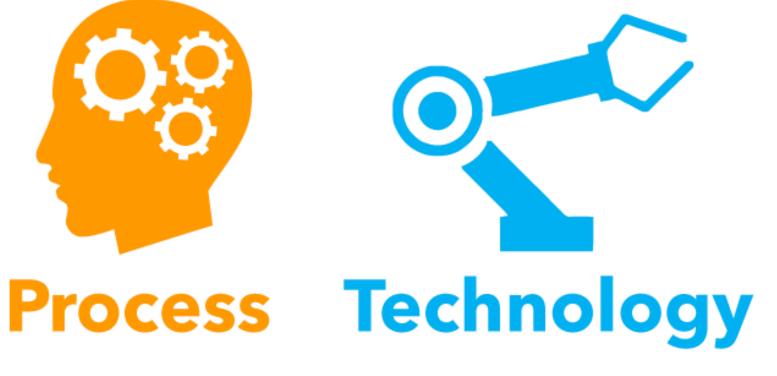






People







#### **Need for Speed**



- Customer experience
- Resiliency speed, how fast you can recover
- Consolidation of tools and technology
- Simplifying your operation



## **Being more Agile**



- Centralize vs De Centralize
- Be part of your business team
- DevSec Ops
- Empower team



## **Creating Visibility in your Eco-system**



- Accuracy and Coverage
- Use of Al and ML
- Quickly predict and respond
- Remove Alert Fatigue





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Dawn of a New Era

#### The Future of the CISO - A view from Gartner

More companies are appointing a CISO with "decreasing responsibility for day-to-day security operations, and a greater level of participation in strategic business decisions"

http://www.iweek.co.za/training-and-recruitment/new-security-order

#### **Gartner says:**

"CISOs must be leaders for digital transformation"

https://www.gartner.com/en/information-technology/role/security-risk-management-leaders

"By proactively assessing risk appetite and the value of the desired business outcome, CIOs and chief information security officers (CISOs) can transform digital risk management into a competitive advantage."

John A. Wheeler
Director, Gartner Research & Advisory



## The Emerging role of Digital CISO .... Cont'd

- Technical security is becoming an operational issue
- Information security is emerging as a strategic business issue, addressed through risk management processes
- Resulting in "more authority and influence being invested in the security manager or CISO"
  - More CISOs are participating in "crucial business decisions" and are reporting outside of IT
- Ceding turf to a "more powerful security function also raises political issues," especially with the CIO position.



#### **Split within the role of CISO**

#### **CITSO**

- Security Operations
- Vulnerability assessment
- Firewalls
- Platform security
- AV, IPS, IDM
- Technical

#### CIRO

- Business continuity
- Technology Risk
- Policy and Standard
- Risk Management
- Operation Risk
- Compliance
- Managerial

#### CCSO CDSO

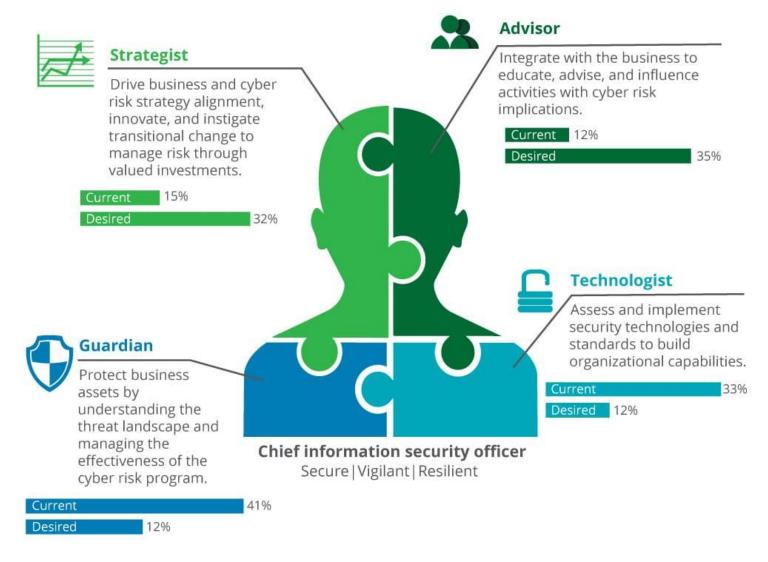
- Cyber Resiliency
- Cloud Security
- Third Party Risk Management
- Highly focus on Architecture
- Threat Management
- Incident Management



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#### The four faces of The Modern CISO

Figure 2. The four faces of the CISO





#### **Summary and End Note**

- The CISO role will grow and gain respect, will become an ENABLER rather then a DISABLER.
- Develop a communications strategy and plan for continuation stakeholder engagement and education.
- Focus on your most important mission i.e. Preserve customer/user trust, Prevent damage to your environment and Ensure compliance.
- Reduce operational complexity will result in the consolidation of IT security vendors and tools.



## Board communication tips from Microsoft's CISO

- Updates and Discussion, have discussion as and when needed and updates 2 or 3 times a year.
- 5 questions CISOs need to ask themselves before presenting to the board
  - 1. Can you demonstrate a good governance process?
  - 2. Do you have the right talent in place?
  - 3. What are you doing to ensure a culture of cybersecurity?
  - 4. How are you dealing with Technical Debt
  - 5. How are you and what are you doing to Future Proofing the company?



https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/videoplayer/embed/RE30ldv?autoplay=true

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Next step.....
Transform yourself from...

"Chief Infosec Scapegoat Officer" to

"Chief Influence Security Officer"

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**Questions!!** 

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