



# Zero Trust Business Strategy

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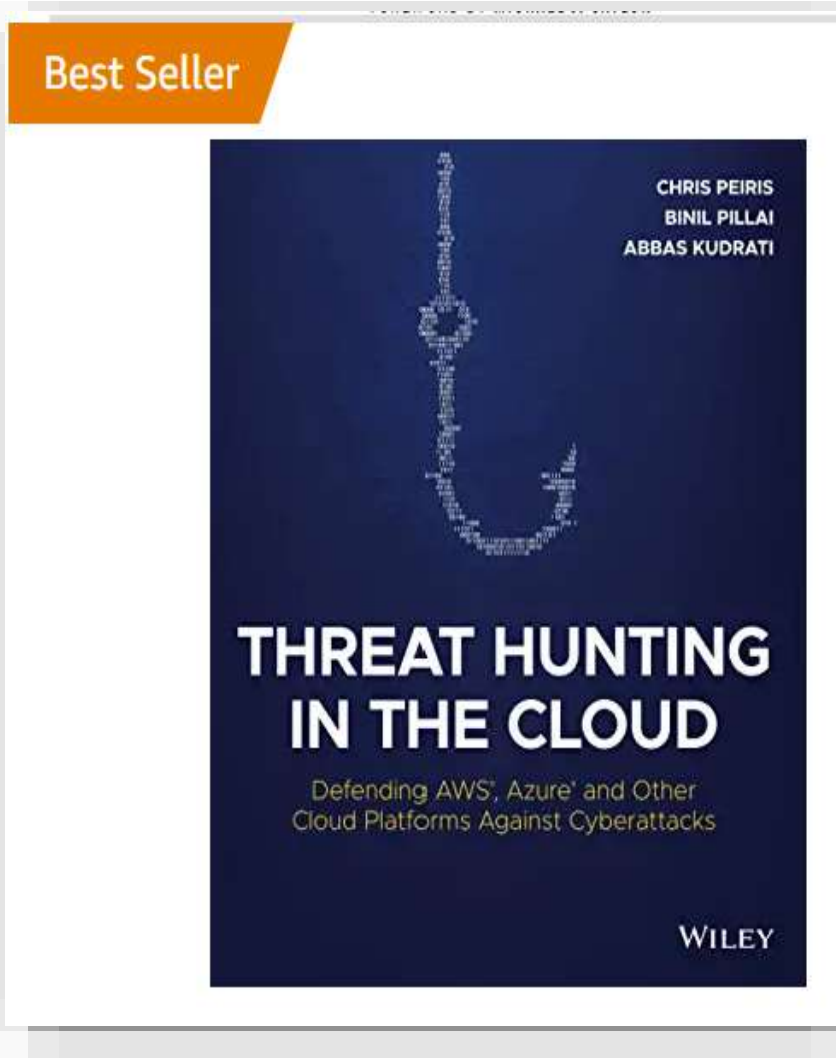
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# My Publications

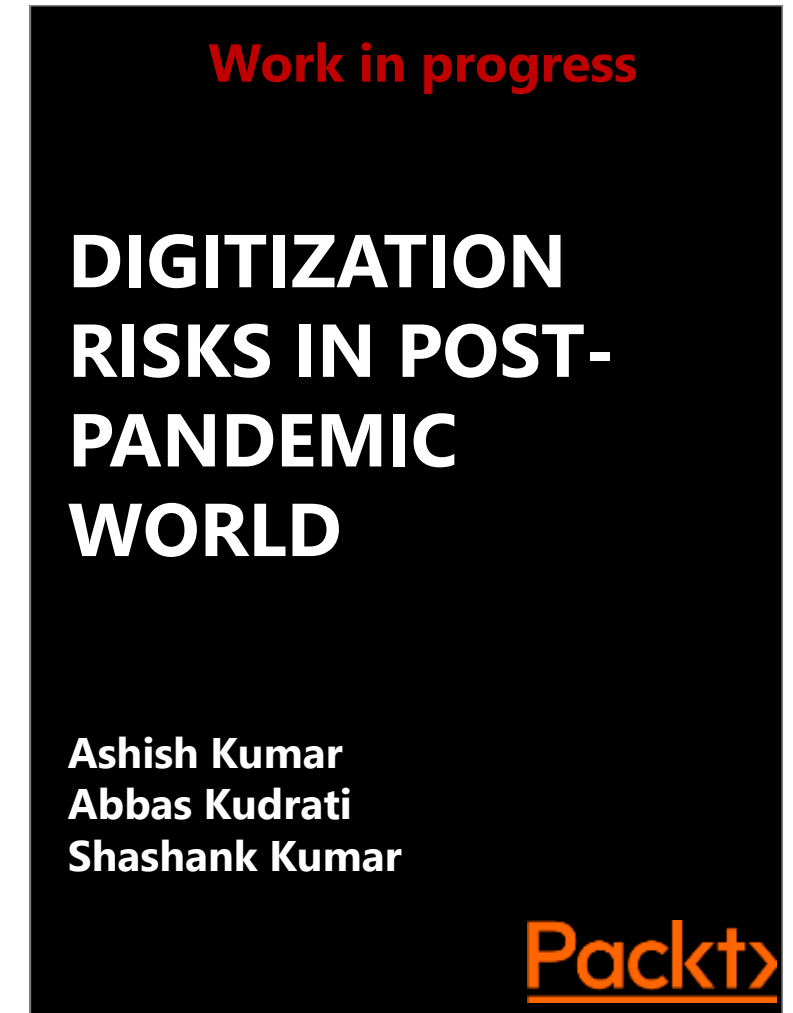


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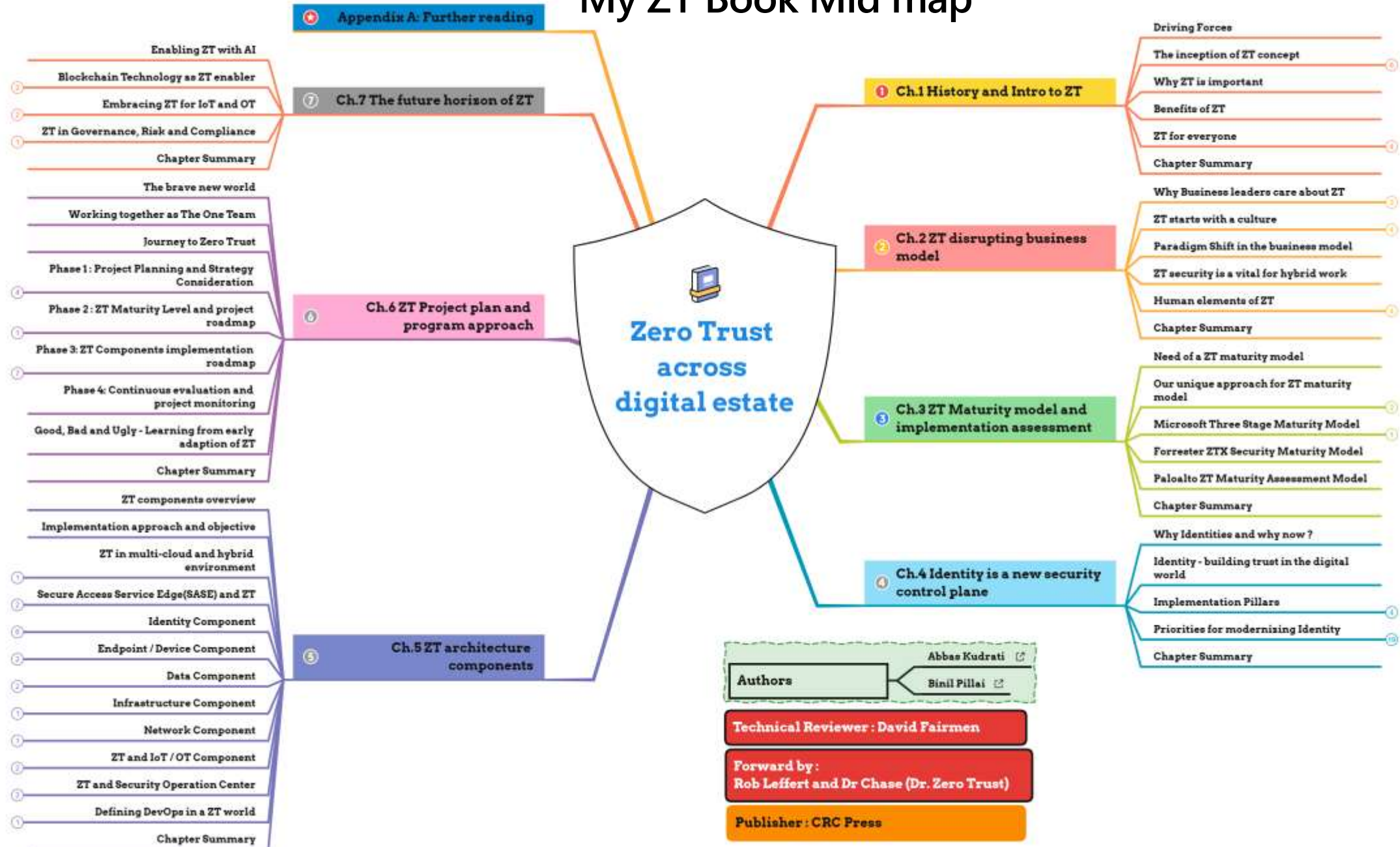
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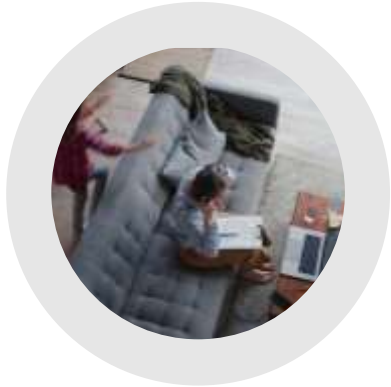
Releasing soon by July 2022



# My ZT Book Mid map



# Today's reality | Distributed and hybrid



**Where we work**  
has continued to rapidly evolve to a mix of locations.



**The tools we use**  
are varied, from corporate to BYOD, cloud-based, or on-prem apps.

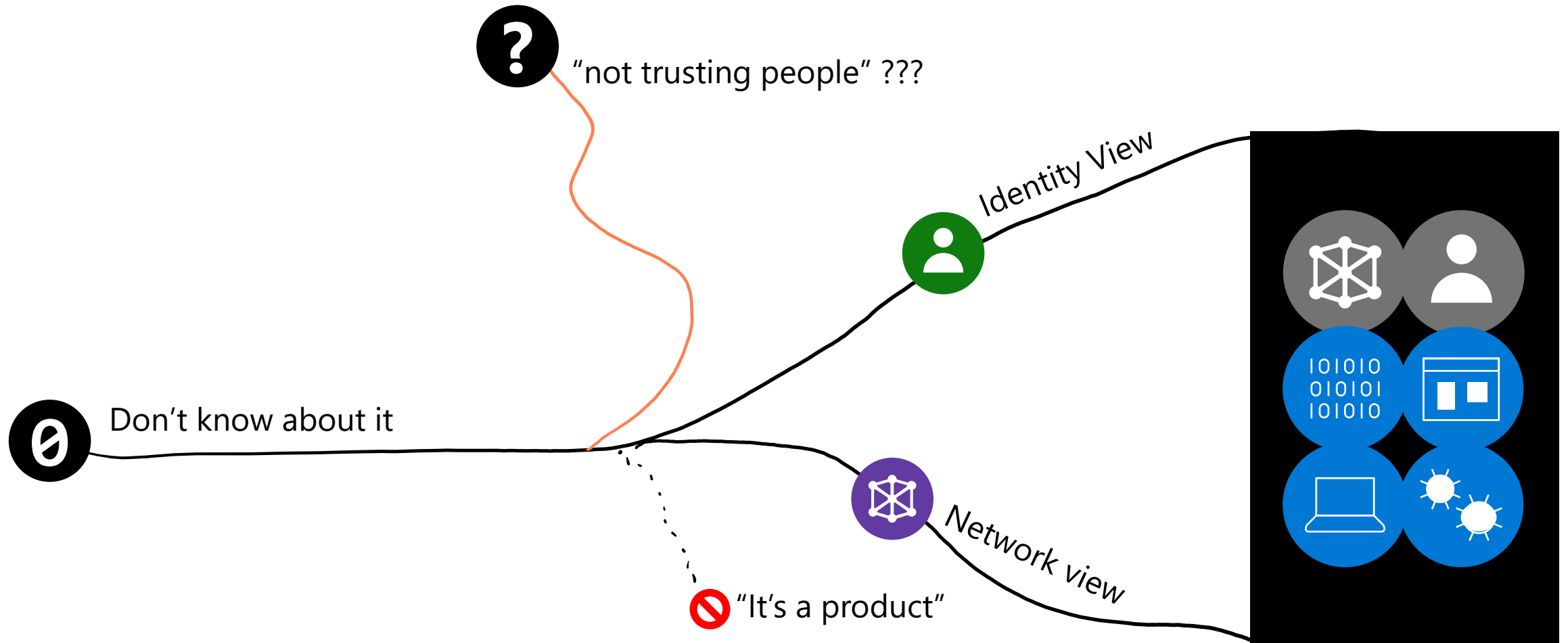


**How we do our work**  
is an evolving mix of virtual, physical, collaborative, and data-driven styles.



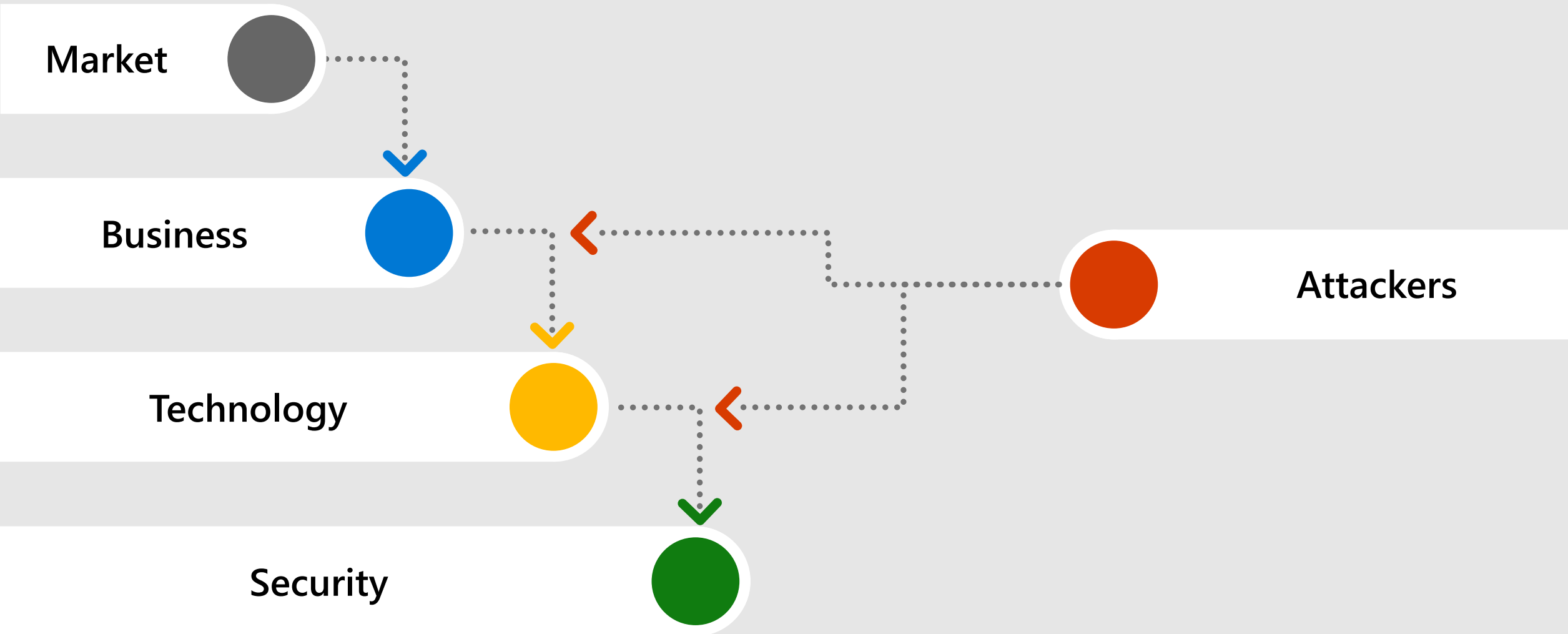
**Evolving risks**  
Increasing volume and sophistication of threats, and a wider, more distributed attack surface.

# Where are you on zero trust journey?



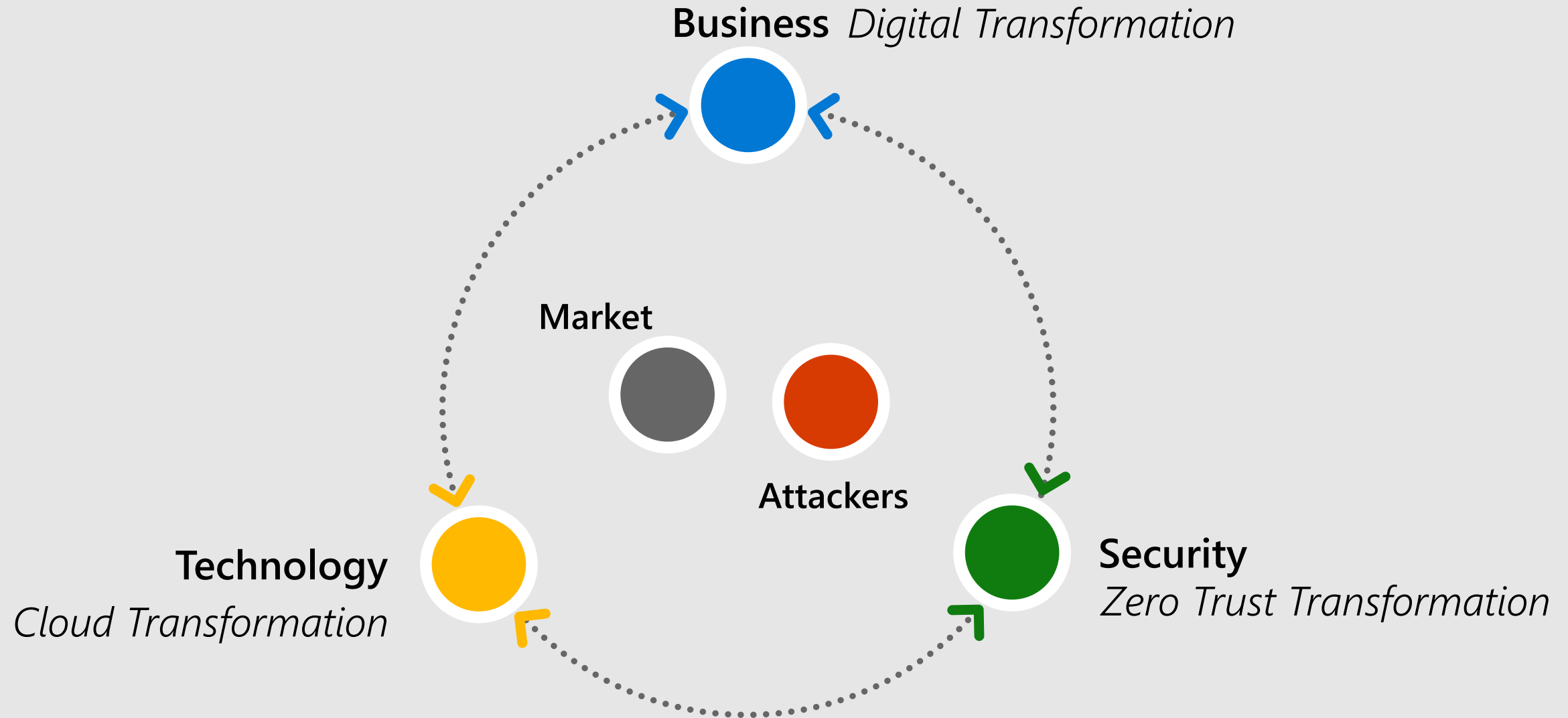
# Introduction - Why Zero Trust is Important

# The world is transforming rapidly





# Working together



# What is Zero Trust?

*Assume breach / Explicitly Verify / Least privileged*

**Zero Trust Security Strategy** - includes *multiple* modernization initiatives

## Modern Access Control

*Modern approach to access management*

*Secure Access  
Service Edge (SASE)*

Modern Security Operations (SOC)

Infrastructure & Development Security

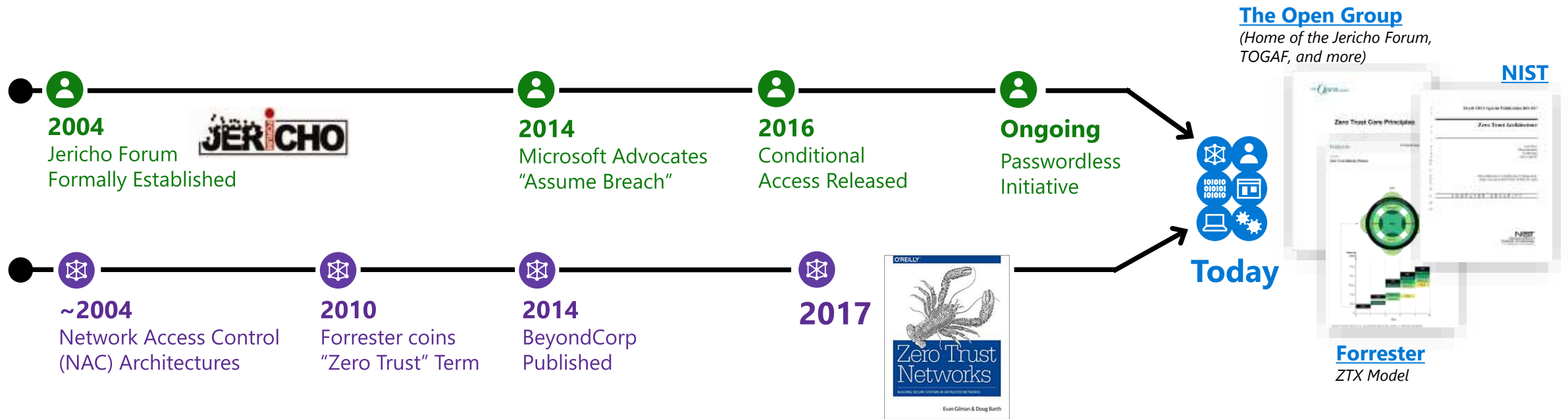
Data Security & Governance, Risk, Compliance (GRC)

IoT and OT Security

**Modernization, Integration, and Automation across technical controls**

*Identity, Endpoint, Network, Application, Infrastructure, Data, and Infrastructure*

# "Zero Trust" has been around for a while



Historically slow mainstream adoption for both network & identity models:



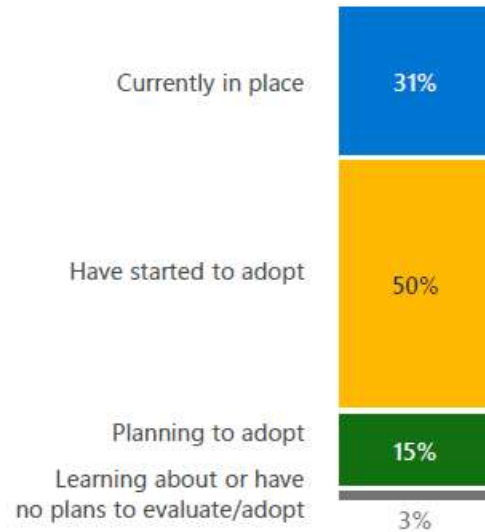
**Network – Expensive and challenging to implement**  
*Google's BeyondCorp success is rarely replicated*



**Identity – Natural resistance to big changes**  
*Security has a deep history/affinity with networking*

**Increasing consensus and convergence (though still some variations)**

### EXHIBIT 3. HYBRID WORKPLACE INTENT

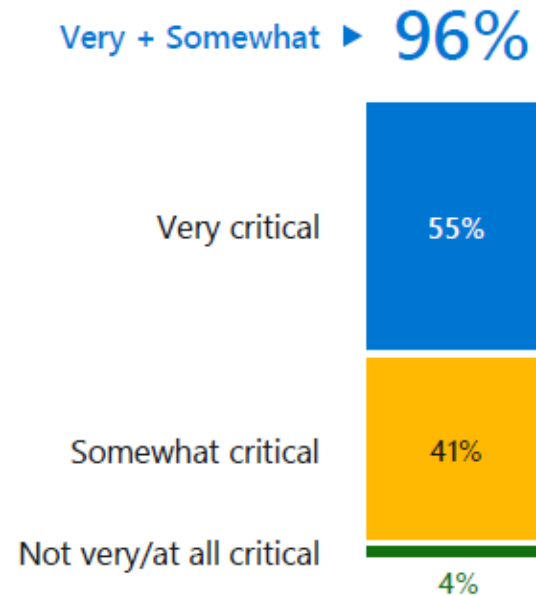


### EXHIBIT 4. HYBRID WORKPLACE CONCERNS

Employees downloading unsafe apps	37%
An increase to IT workload	37%
Ransomware attacks	36%
Phishing attacks	35%
Improper use of personal devices	34%
Unauthorized access to data	31%
Inability to manage all devices	30%
Use of personal email accounts	30%
Non-compliance with data regulations	24%

# Zero Trust Adaption report 2020 /21

### EXHIBIT 1. ZERO TRUST IS CRITICAL



### EXHIBIT 2. ZERO TRUST MOTIVATORS

#### Top Motivators

Improve overall security posture	47%
Improve end user experience and productivity	44%
Transform the way security teams work together	38%
Simplify security stack	35%
Reduce security costs	35%

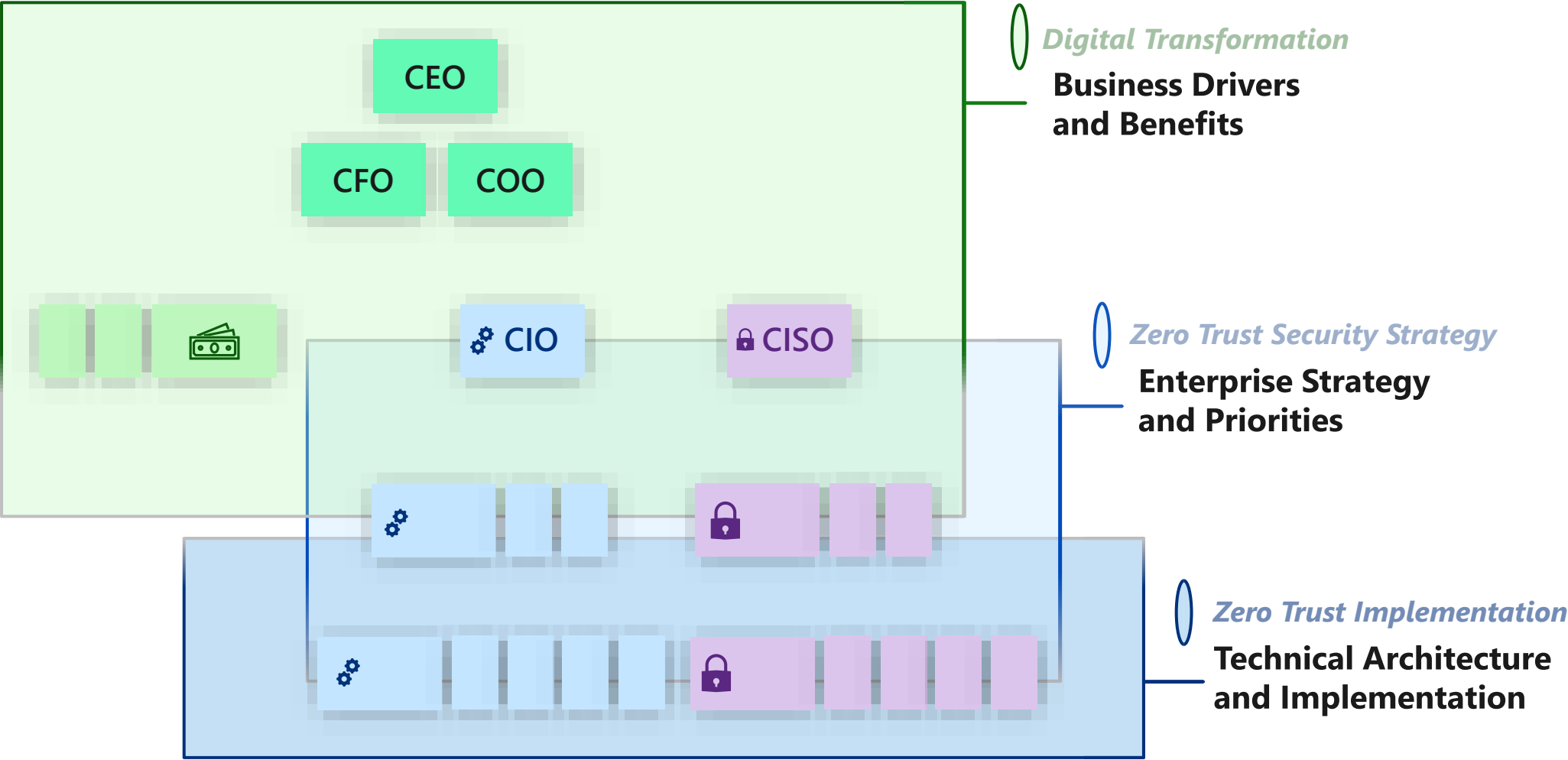


	US (2020)	US	DE	JP	AUS/NZ
Zero Trust implementation	70%	79%	75%	76%	71%
• Fully implemented	27%	44%	19%	32%	28%
• In progress	43%	35%	56%	44%	43%



# Perspectives on Zero Trust Security Strategy

*A Journey that affects everyone a little differently*





# What Zero Trust is not about...

**Literal**

**An Adjective**

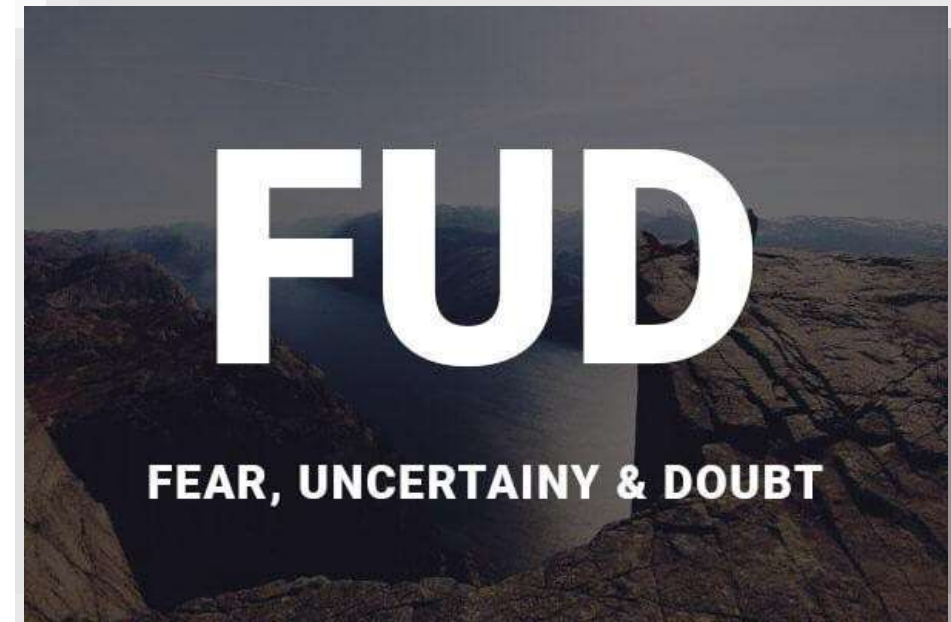
**For Sale**

**Instant**

**A Destination**

**One Size Fits All**

**A Revolution**



# ZT Business Strategy

- **Create clarity**
  - Synthesize the complex
  - Ensure shared understanding
  - Value understood
- **Generate energy**
  - Inspire optimism, creativity, and growth
  - Create an environment where everyone does their best work
  - Build organizations/teams that are stronger tomorrow than today
- **Deliver success**
  - Drive innovation that people love
  - Be boundary-less in seeking solutions for the Zero Trust program
  - Tenaciously pursue the right outcomes

# Do's and Don't

- Is ZT right for you ?
- Gain support from and buy in from key executives
- Identifying key inter dependencies across the organization
- Understanding your information assets.
- Understanding your user population
- Identifying your application exposure / risk exposure
- Understanding and grouping of key business user population and core application combination
- Start with few basic fine-grained controls

# Next Steps

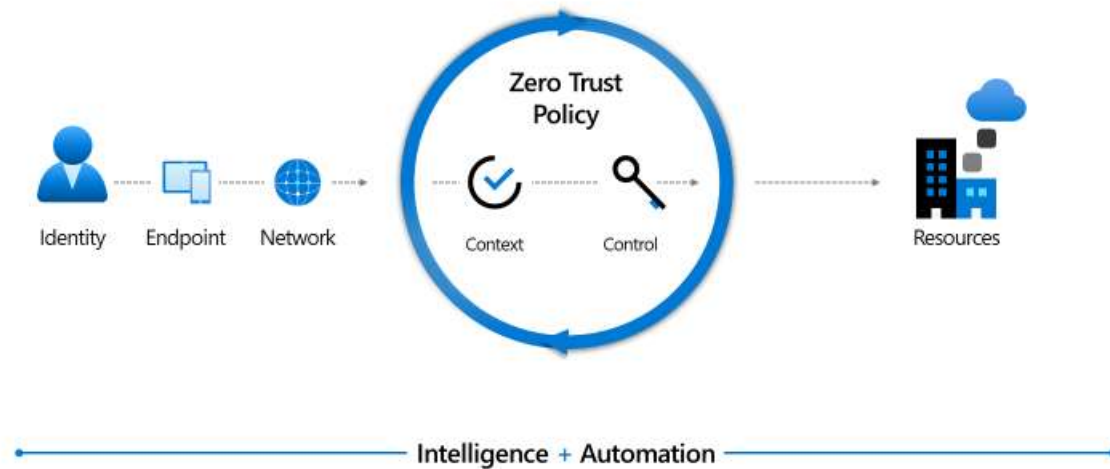
- Prepare, engage and unify key stakeholders across your organization on your vision for Zero Trust.
- Start the discovery of your current state and objectives for the Zero Trust program.
- Identify personas for your Zero Trust program.
- Work together with Microsoft to Identify capabilities and technical security gaps in your existing environment.
- Document and prioritize in a solution backlog prior to Program/Sprint planning.



## Appendix: Resources and Learning links

# Zero Trust networking maturity model

## Zero Trust



### Traditional

**Few network security perimeters and flat open network**

**Minimal threat protection and static traffic filtering**

**Internal traffic is not encrypted**

Many ingress/egress

### Advanced

cloud micro-perimeters with some micro-segmentation

Cloud native filtering and protection for known threats

User to app internal traffic is encrypted

Fully distributed

### Optimal

ingress/egress cloud micro-perimeters and deeper micro-segmentation

ML-based threat protection and filtering with context-based signals

All traffic is encrypted

Microsoft has rich set of cloud native services designed to help you move to zero trust model



# Zero Trust Rapid Modernization Plan (RaMP)

Prioritize rapid progress on highest positive impact

**Roll out to IT Admins first**

- Targeted by Attackers
- High potential impact
- Provide technical feedback

## *Top Priorities – critical security modernization steps*



### User Access and Productivity

1. **Explicitly validate trust for all access requests (via Azure AD Conditional Access)**
  - a. **User Accounts** - Require Passwordless or MFA for all users + measure risk with threat intelligence & behavior analytics
  - b. **Devices** - Require device integrity for access (configuration compliance first, then XDR signals)
2. **Increase security for accessing key resources**
  - a. **Apps** – Enable Azure AD for all SaaS, for VPN authentication, and publish legacy on-premises/laaS via App Proxy
  - b. **Data** - Discover and protect sensitive data (via Cloud App Security, CA App Control, Microsoft Info Protection)
3. **Governance** to continuously monitor security posture and reduce risk (via Secure Score)



### Modernize Security Operations

4. **Streamline response** to common attacks with XDR for Endpoint/Email/Identity + Cloud (via M365 & Azure Defender)
5. **Unify Visibility** with modern Security Information and Event Management (SIEM via Azure Sentinel)
6. **Reduce manual effort** - using automated investigation/remediation, enforcing alert quality, & proactive threat hunting

## *As Needed – typically driven by cloud adoption or OT/IoT usage*



### Operational Technology (OT) and Industrial IoT

- Discover** – Find & classify assets with business critical, life safety, and operational/physical impact (via Azure Defender for IoT)
- Protect** – isolate assets from unneeded internet/production access with static and dynamic controls
- Monitor** – unify threat detection and response processes for OT, IT, and IoT assets (via Azure Defender for IoT)

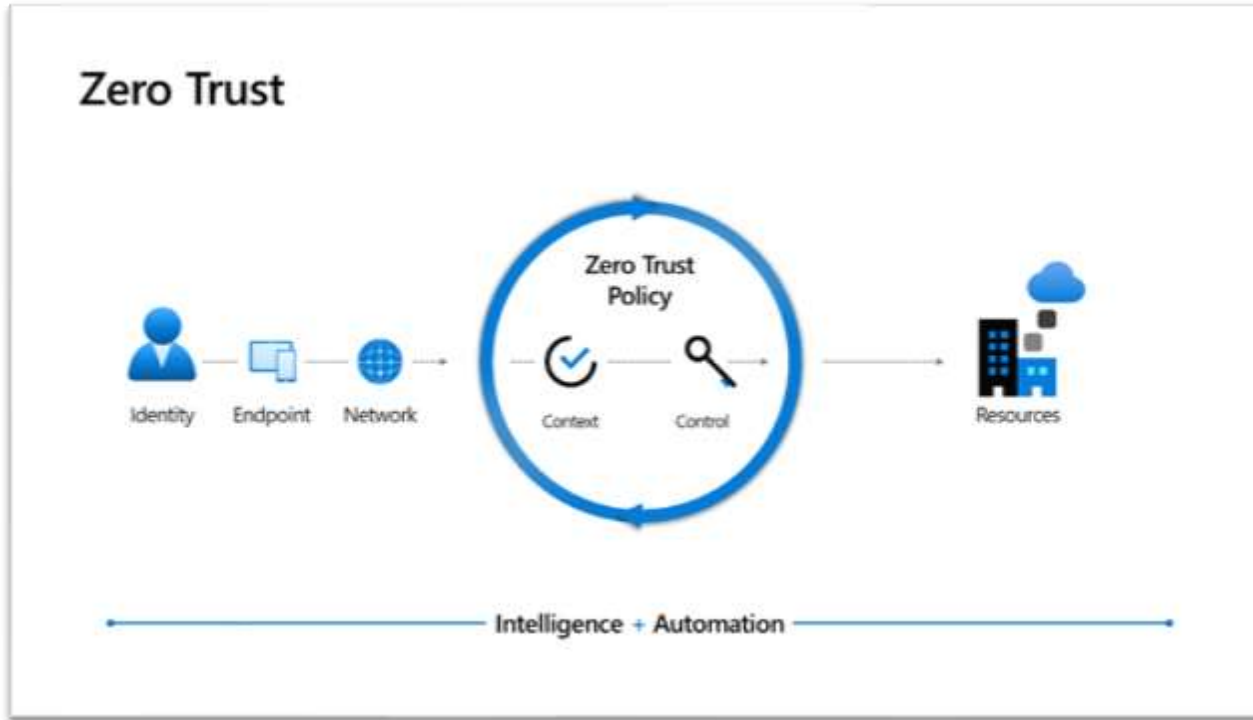


### Datacenter & DevOps Security

- Security Hygiene** – Rigorously monitor + remediate security configurations, security updates, MFA, and more
- Reduce Legacy Risk** – Retire or isolate legacy technology (Unsupported OS/Applications, legacy protocols)
- DevOps Integration** – Integrate infrastructure + development security practices into DevOps with minimal friction
- Microsegmentation** – Additional *identity and network* restrictions (dynamic trust-based and/or static rules)

**ZT builds on classic security**  
Align to cloud migration schedule

# Zero Trust Resources

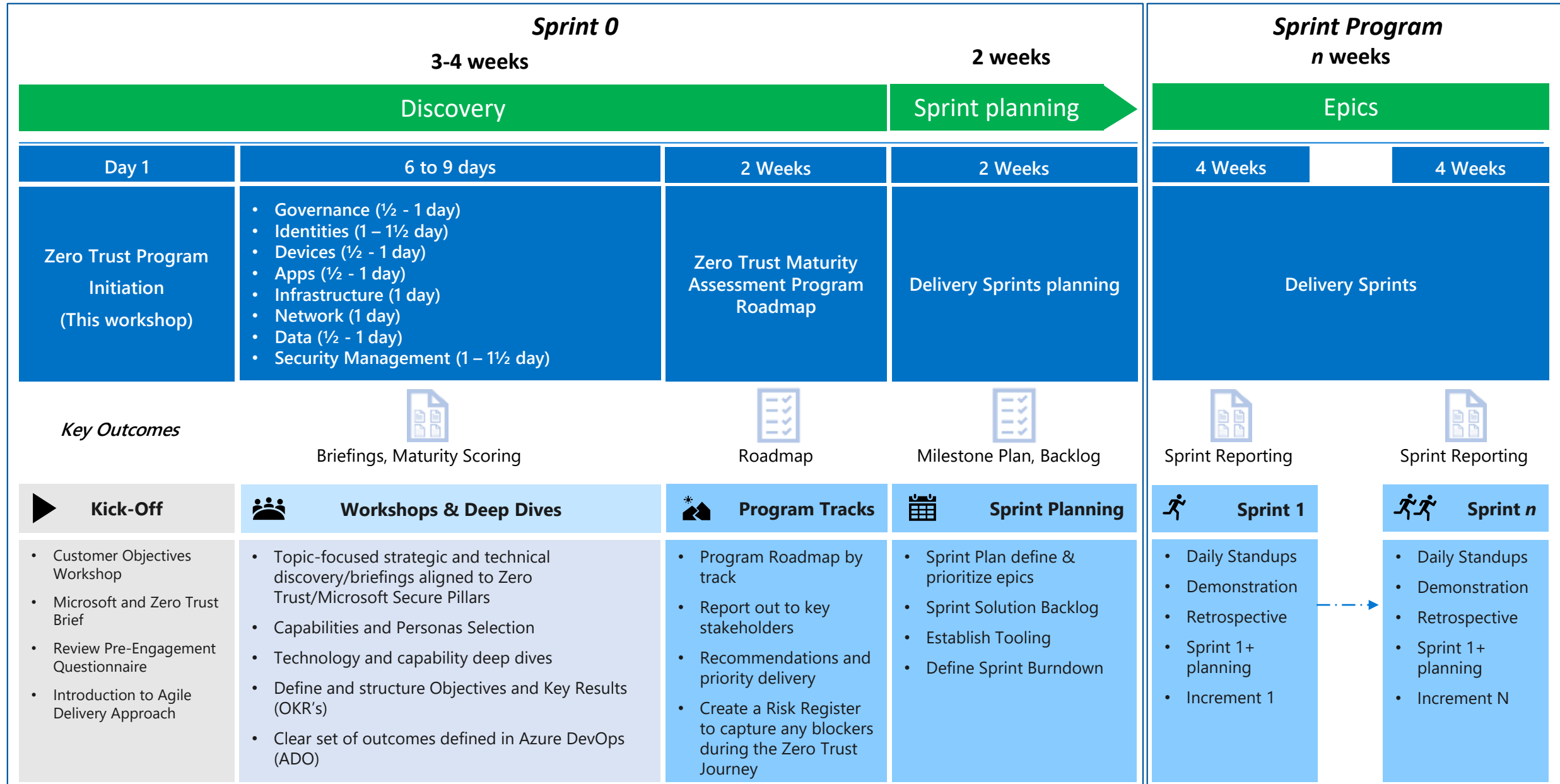


- Zero Trust page: <https://aka.ms/zerotrust>
- Business Plan: [aka.ms/ZTbizplan](https://aka.ms/ZTbizplan)
- Zero Trust maturity model: <https://aka.ms/ztmodel>
- Zero Trust assessment: <https://aka.ms/zttool>
- Zero Trust deployment guidance: <https://aka.ms/ztblogs>
- Implementing a Zero Trust security model at Microsoft [LINK](#)
- Microsoft's approach to Zero Trust Networking and supporting Azure technologies [LINK](#)
- Microsoft helps employees work securely from home using a Zero Trust strategy [LINK](#)



- Zero Trust: Security Through a Clearer Lens session ([Recording](#) | [Slides](#))
- [CISO Workshop Slides/Videos](#)
- [Microsoft's IT Learnings](#) from (ongoing) Zero Trust journey

# Zero Trust Program Approach (Example)





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