

# **SECURED INFRASTRUCTURE & SECURITY CONTROLS DEMO**

Presented to: Deloitte Cyber Center  
Directors & Managers

**Objective: Demonstrate a secure AWS environment deployed via  
Infrastructure as Code (IaC) in alignment with NIST CSF v1.1**

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# Goals

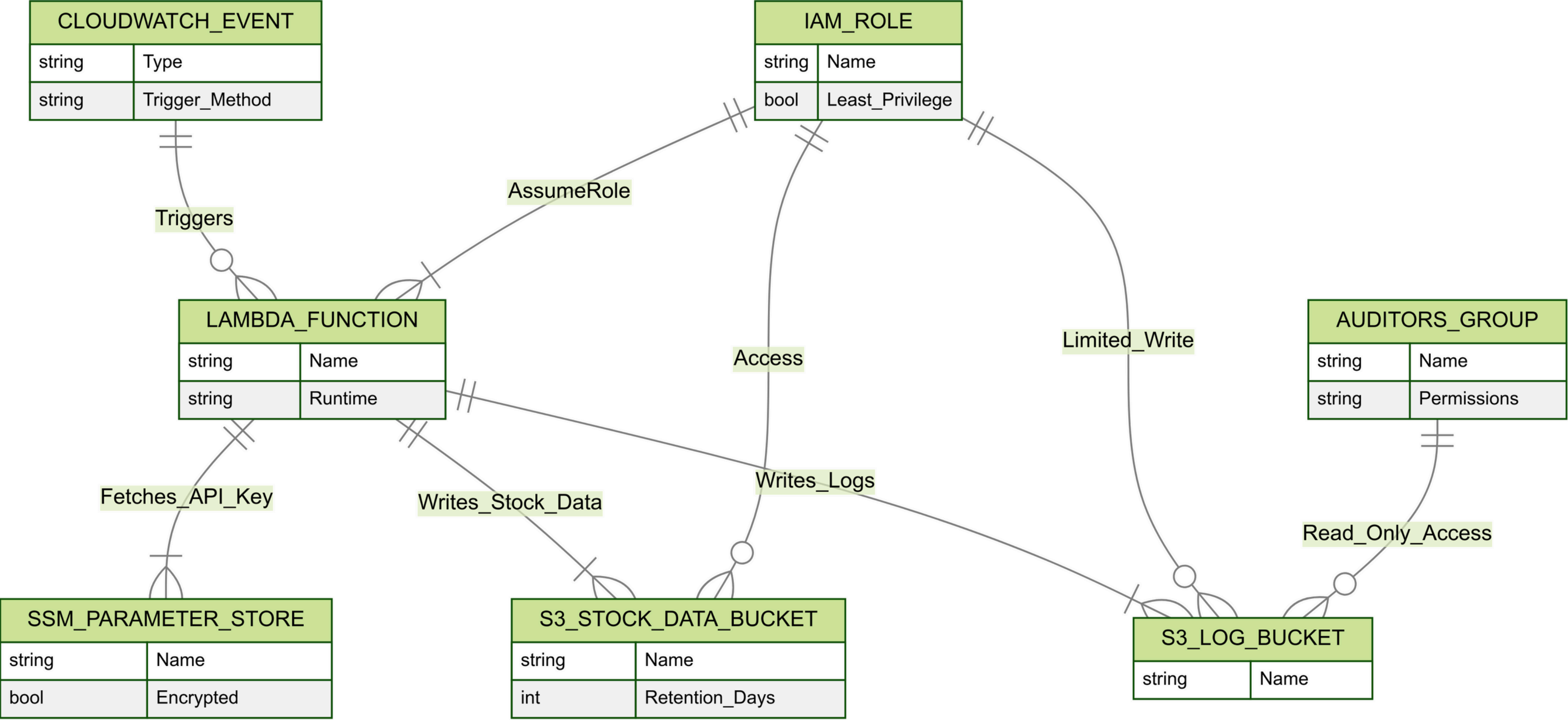
- **Develop and present:**
  - **slide deck demonstrating a secure AWS environment.**
- **Process Run Dows:**
  - **outline steps aligning with NIST CSF (protect function).**
- **Demo:**
  - **AWS-based solution (Lambda, S3, IAM), IaC deployment (CloudFormation), and security controls demonstration (logging, encryption, least privilege).**

# Approach & Tools

- **Framework: NIST Cybersecurity Framework v1.1**
- **Selected Subcategories:**
  - **PR.PT-1 (Audit/log records).**
  - **PR.DS-1 (Data-at-rest protection).**
  - **PR.AC-3 (Remote access management).**
- **AWS Services:**
  - **Lambda for stock data retrieval.**
  - **S3 for data & log storage.**
  - **IAM for least-privilege roles/groups.**
  - **SSM Parameter Store for secret management.**
  - **IaC: AWS CloudFormation (GitHub: [almogzach/deloitte](https://github.com/almogzach/deloitte)).**

# Architecture & Demo Flow

- **Lambda Function:**
  - Fetches stock prices using an API key in SSM Parameter Store.
  - Writes data to StockDataBucket.
- **S3 Buckets:**
  - StockDataBucket for fetched data.
  - LogBucket for Lambda logs.
- **IAM & Auditors:**
  - Least-privilege role for Lambda (S3 + SSM access only).
  - AuditorsGroup read-only access to LogBucket.
- **Encryption:**
  - Server-side encryption (SSE-S3) for data-at-rest.
  - No plaintext secrets (API key in SSM Parameter Store).



# NIST CSF Controls Implementation

- **PR.PT-1 (Audit/Log Records)**
  - CloudWatch triggers Lambda.
  - Logs stored in LogBucket.
  - AuditorsGroup can review logs regularly (segregation of duties).
- **PR.DS-1 (Data-at-Rest Protection):**
  - S3 server-side encryption.
  - API key secured in SSM Parameter Store.
- **PR.AC-3 (Remote Access Management):**
  - Least-privilege IAM role for Lambda.
  - Read-only policy for auditors.

# Results & Next Steps

- **Results:**
  - **Secure AWS environment deployed via CloudFormation.**
  - **Logging, encryption, and access control aligned with NIST CSF.**
- **Next Steps:**
  - **Integrate with more services (e.g., EC2, VPC).**
  - **Add CI/CD pipelines with automated security checks.**
  - **Expand monitoring with AWS Security Hub, GuardDuty, etc.**

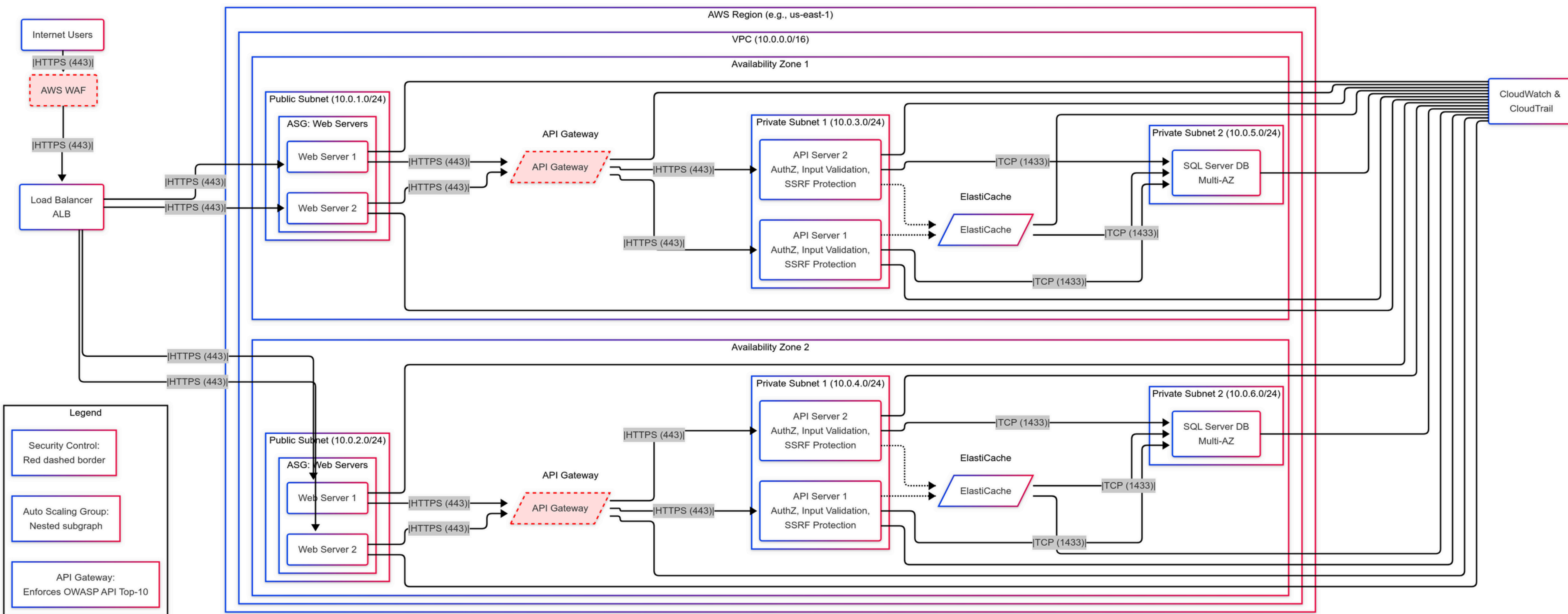
# Q&A

- **Git Repository: GitHub: almogzach/deloitte**
- **AWS Console Demo (S3, Lambda, IAM, CloudWatch)**
- **Contact: [Zach Almog / zalmog@gmail.com]**

**Let get to part 2...**



# Secure Three-tier Web Application



# High Availability & Scalable Cloud Architecture

- **Objective:**
  - Design a highly available, scalable, and secure web application infrastructure.
  - Ensure protection against API security threats (OWASP API Top-10).
- **Key Components:**
  - 1 AWS Region, 2 Availability Zones.
  - Load Balancer (ALB) for traffic distribution.
  - Auto Scaling Groups for web & API servers.
  - VPC with Public & Private Subnets.
  - ElastiCache & Multi-AZ SQL DB for performance & redundancy.
  - Security controls at every layer (WAF, API Gateway, IAM, Security Groups, Encryption).

# Addressing Scalability & Traffic Growth

- **Auto Scaling Groups (ASG):**
  - Web servers and API servers scale horizontally based on demand.
  - ALB distributes traffic evenly across multiple instances.
  - ElastiCache (Caching Layer):
    - Reduces load on SQL database by caching frequent queries.
    - Ensures faster response times & cost efficiency.
- **Multi-AZ Database (SQL Server):**
  - Primary & Standby DB for high availability.
  - Failover enabled for automatic recovery.
- **API Gateway + AWS WAF:**
  - Filters malicious requests & scales automatically to handle spikes.

# **Security & OWASP API Top-10**

## **Mitigation**

- **Web Application Security Controls:**
  - **AWS WAF:** Protects against common web attacks (SQL Injection, XSS).
  - **API Gateway:** Implements authentication, rate-limiting, and OWASP API protections.
  - **IAM Roles & Policies:** Enforces least privilege for access control.
- **API Security Based on OWASP API Top-10:**
  - **Authentication & Authorization (API Gateway & IAM) → Prevents Broken Auth (API1).**
  - **Input Validation & SSRF Protection (API Servers) → Prevents SSRF Attacks (API10).**
  - **Logging & Monitoring (CloudWatch & CloudTrail) → Detects Security Misconfigurations (API7).**

# Secure Data Flow & Compliance

- **Secure Data Flow Across Tiers:**
  - **HTTPS (443) Everywhere:** Encrypts traffic from users → ALB → API → Database.
  - **Security Groups & ACLs:** Restrict access between subnets.
  - **Encrypted S3, Multi-AZ DB, IAM MFA:** Data-at-rest protection.
- **Final Takeaway:**
  - The architecture scales efficiently, maintains high availability, and meets security best practices.
  - API security measures ensure protection from OWASP API Top-10 threats.
  - Optimized performance with caching & multi-tier design.

 **Ready for enterprise deployment!**  
**Thank you for your time!**