

Supply Chain Risk Management

Team 1

Purpose

Raise awareness about supply chain risk management and share steps that can be implemented in our own organization to reduce these risks

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Introduction



What is a Third-Party?

A relationship between parties that is not the primary relationship; however, that third-party relationship is relied on to fulfill the primary relationship.

Vendors

Suppliers

Service providers

Outsourcers

Resellers

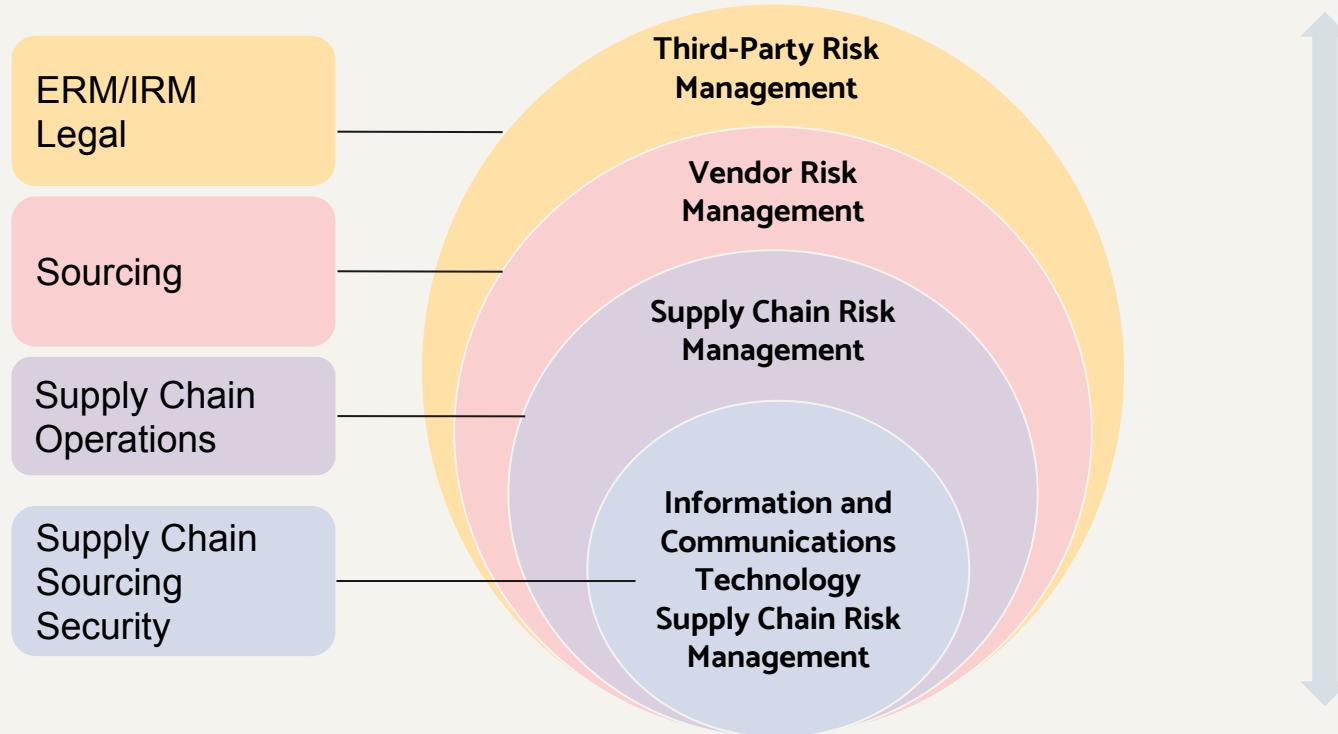
Agents

Channel, brand and joint venture partners

Market utilities

Intermediaries

Risk Management Layers





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Incidents





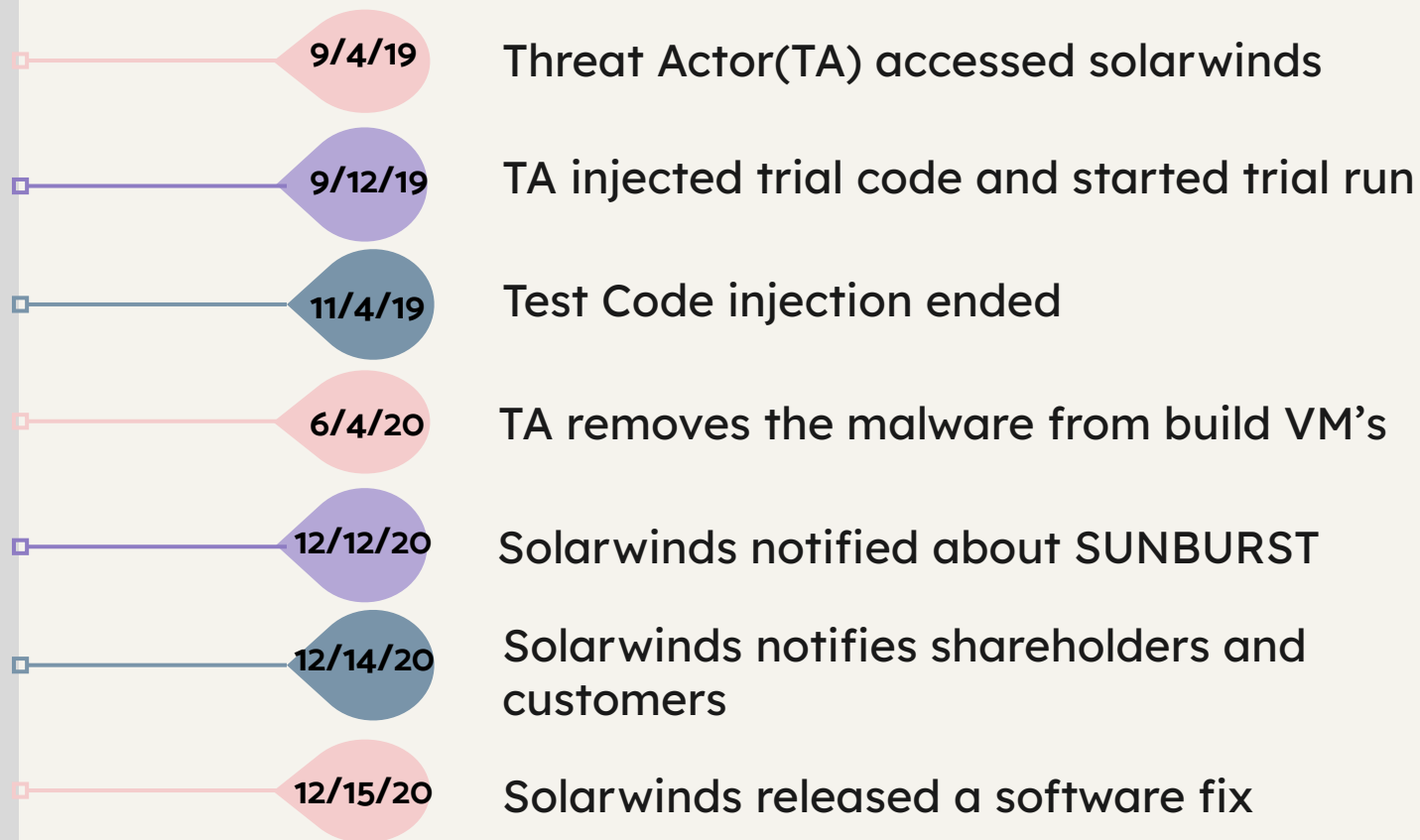
Third party attack
Patching gone wrong!!

Why SolarWinds?

- Secure software solutions for DevOps, SecOps and DBAs
- They have more than 300,000 customers
- **ORION**
 - IT performance measurement tool
 - Logs and system performance data
- Nobelium - nation-state hackers



Attack Life Cycle of Solarwinds



Impacts of Solarburst on Organizations

- Biggest cybercrime breaches of 21st century costing upto **\$900 million**.
- Disrupted supply chain of 18,000 organizations.
 - US government (local, state, federal)
 - 40 companies were targeted by the actors
- Access to data and collection of sensitive information for extreme period of time
- Impact on annual revenue, **14% in USA, 8.6% in UK and 9.1% in Singapore**



Third Party Risks are a growing threat



Third party Risks

In 2022, Supply chain attacks were **40% higher** than malware attacks



633% increase

Known malicious software supply chain attacks grow from **12,000** in 2021 to **88,000** in 2022



Cyber resilience

90% of Business and Cyber leaders are concerned with third party security frameworks to avoid **collateral damage**

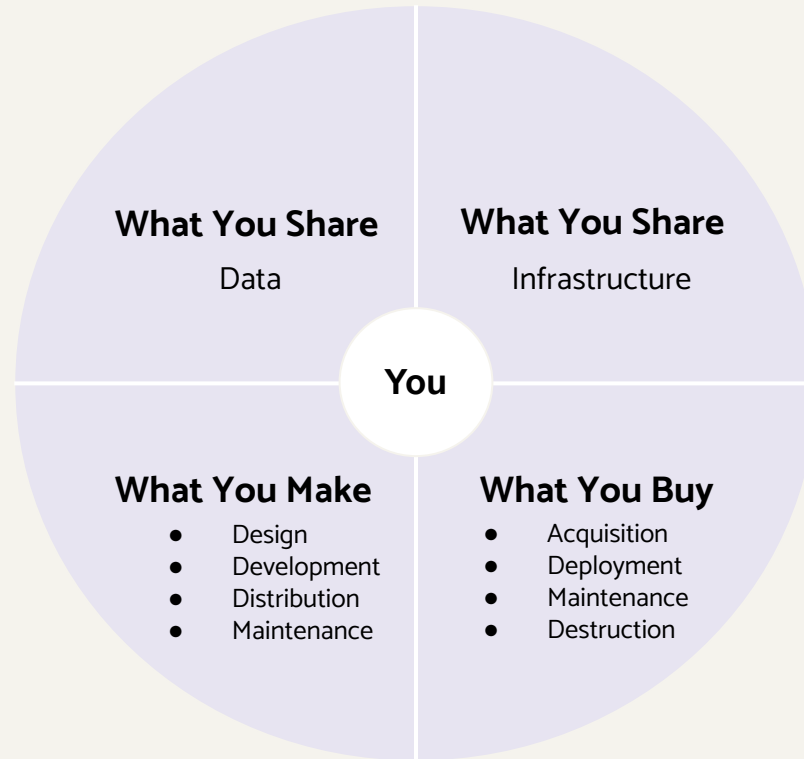


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Challenges



Main Categories of ICT Supply Chain Security Risks



Current State



Management of these risks across four main categories is absent/fragmented. This leaves organisations exposed.



Supply chain regulations and frameworks are emerging globally. US efforts alone will have large impacts on organizations.



Given the complexity of supply chain ecosystems and the scale of data/assets to protect, **risk management efforts are largely in awareness phase and remain siloed.**



Early **best practices** are emerging.

Attacks

Software threat vectors:

- Hijacking updates
- App Store Attacks
- Open-Source Compromise
- Undermining Code Signing



Hardware threat vectors:

- Code injection
- Tampering
- Counterfeits



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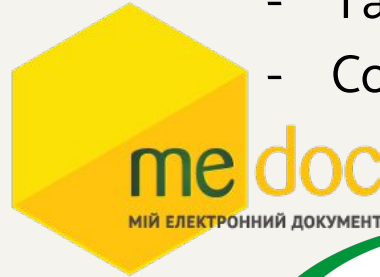


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android

Google Play



Windows Vista



mobileme



git

mimecast



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Best Practices



Recommendations



Security and Risk Criticality

Prioritize efforts based on security and risk criticality filters



New Regulatory mandates

Prioritize efforts to meet new regulatory mandates if you are subject to them, or learn from them



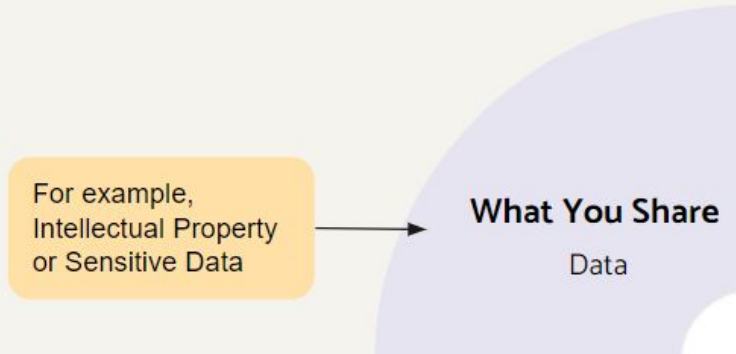
Creating partnerships

Create partnerships with key IT, procurement, supply chain, operations, system owners and create joint governance model

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Category 1



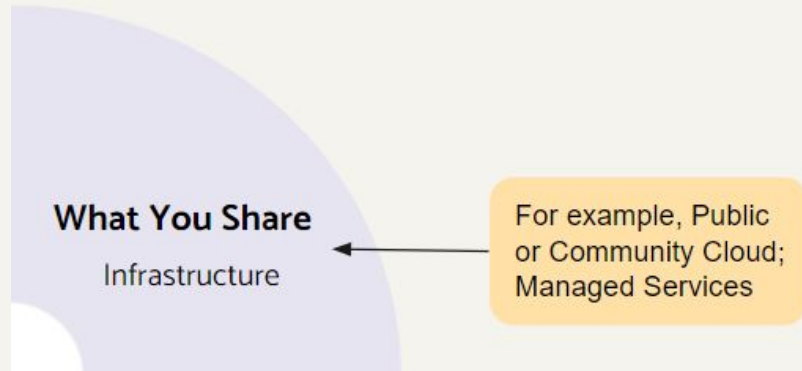
Actions:

- Due Diligence efforts
 - Requests for information
 - Security certifications
 - Secure development practices
- Contractual requirements
- Service-level agreements (SLAs)

Category 2

Actions:

- Same as Category 1 with additional contractual requirements to receive independent security assessments



Category 3 & 4

Software-related - led by security team:

- Software encryption
- Using software bills of material (SBOMs)
- Adopting DevSecOps approaches to continually test software quality
- Follow NIST and CISA guidelines

Firmware/Hardware - led by development teams:

- Creating guidelines for purchasing directly from qualified OEMs
- Use hardware bills of materials
- Use content disarm and reconstruction techniques to prevent malicious code injection



Category 3 & 4 (cont.)

Cyber-physical systems related:

- Contractual requirements to show adoption of vertical- industry specific frameworks
 - NERC-CIP or NIST CSF
- Asking for certifications from labs that test for alert/logging, cryptography, authentication, etc.

Services-related:

- Due diligence efforts, including requests for information on various topics such as location of operations
- Open source information checks on credit worthiness, and whether there have been any history of lawsuits pertaining to IP theft

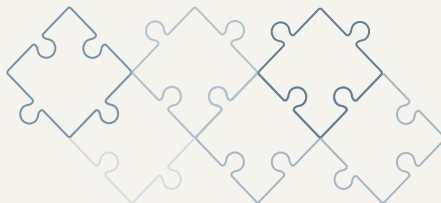


Governance Best Practices

Usually led by enterprise risk management teams or chief security officers.

Efforts include:

- Setting up supply chain risk management councils.
- Prioritizing high-value assets (such as critical systems across the enterprise, including cyber-physical systems as well as information).
- Deploying organization wide asset discovery and management solutions.
- Embracing NIST CSF 1.1.
- Including key suppliers in resilience and improvement activities.



Action Plan Avanade

Improving governance and
supply chain risk
management efforts



Action 1: Upgrading Risk Assessment Framework

To accommodate continuous supply chain risk monitoring and regularly updating to incorporate emerging threats and changes

Our Proposal:

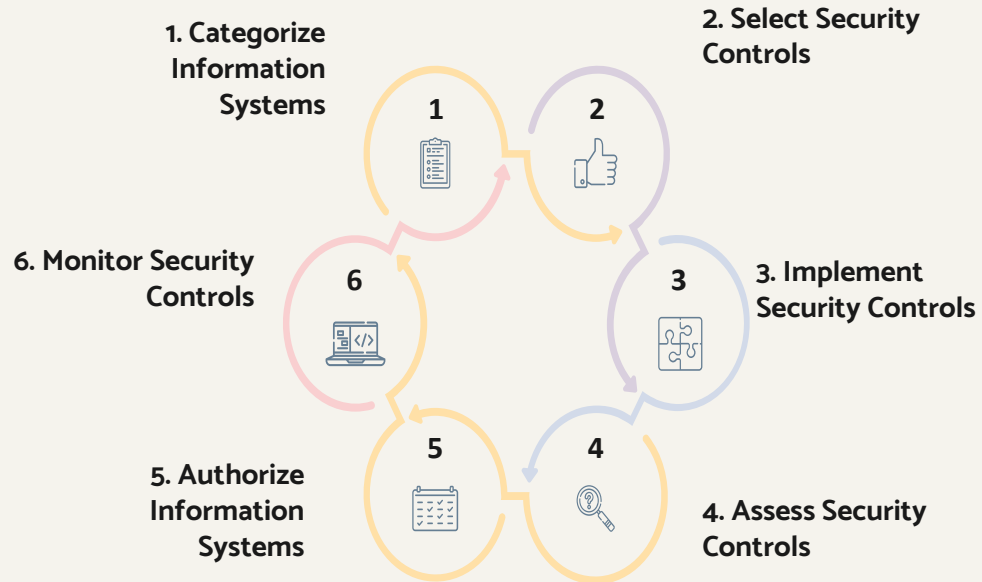
- Conduct Audit and reassessment of risk ratings
- Planned and detailed risk assessment plan

High

Priority Level

**1
Month**

Projected Timeline



Action 2: Supplier Risk Management Program

Will ensure that potential suppliers and vendors are vetted on their security practices

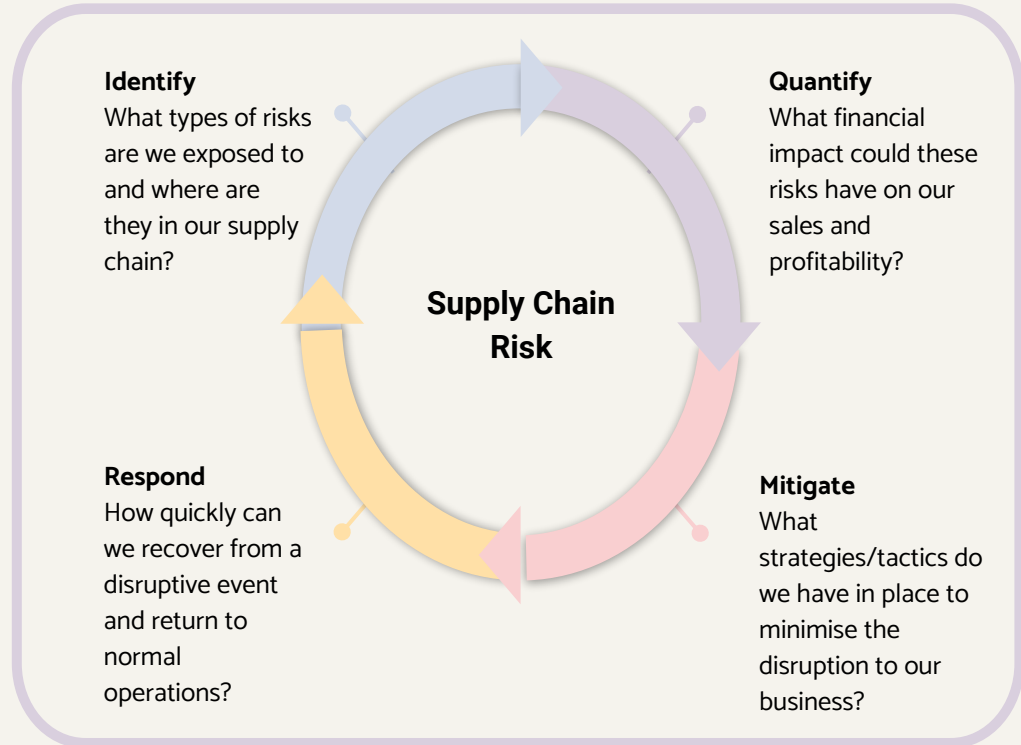
- Suppliers are fulfilling our organizations and regional government minimum security requirements
- Regular streamlined assessment of our partners
- Structured support for partners
- Our operations and procurement teams will be trained under this program

High

Priority Level

**6-9
Months**

Projected Timeline



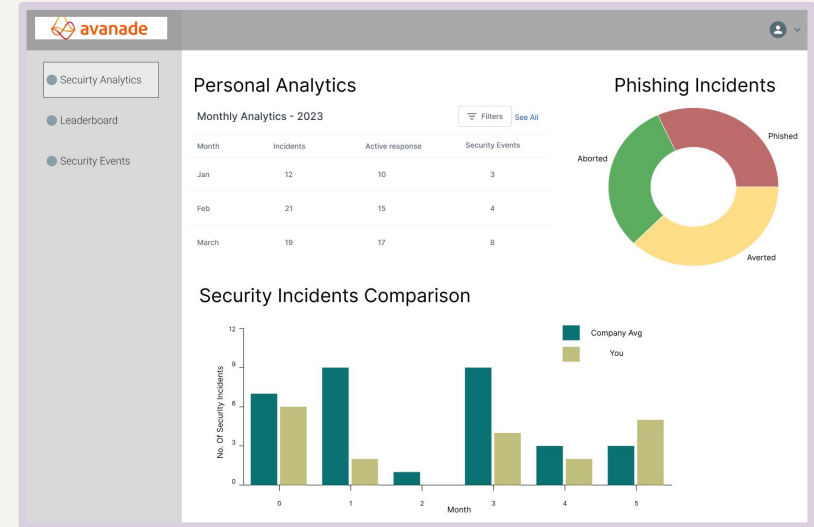
Action 3: Eliminating “Human Factor”

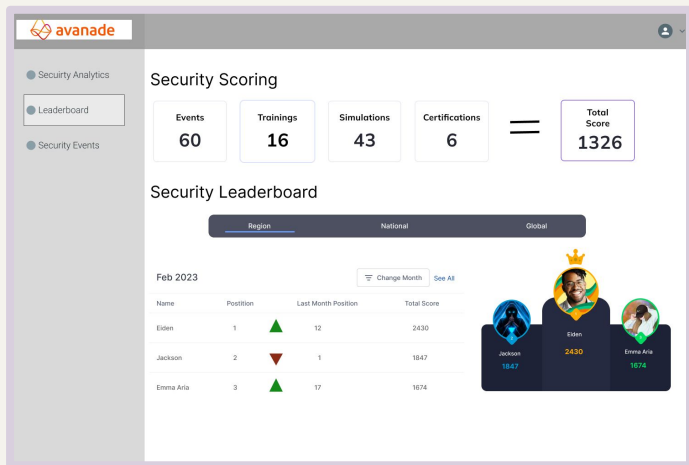
Improving human awareness of potential supply chain risks:

- Security Education, Training, and Awareness (SETA) programs
- For both in-house employees and critical partner employees

Our Proposal:

Development of **Security training platform**





High

Priority Level

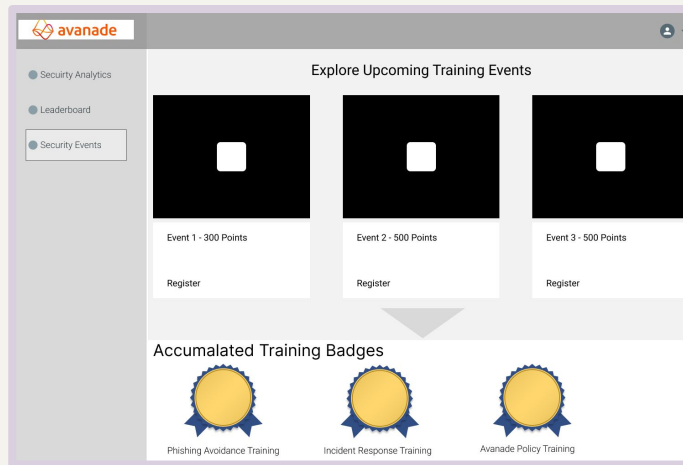
6
Months

Projected Timeline

- Product development: **4 months**
- Training program development and adoption: **2 months**

Platform Plan

- Gamify training programs
- Provide incentives for users to complete structured programs



Action 4: Incident Response Plan

Activities:

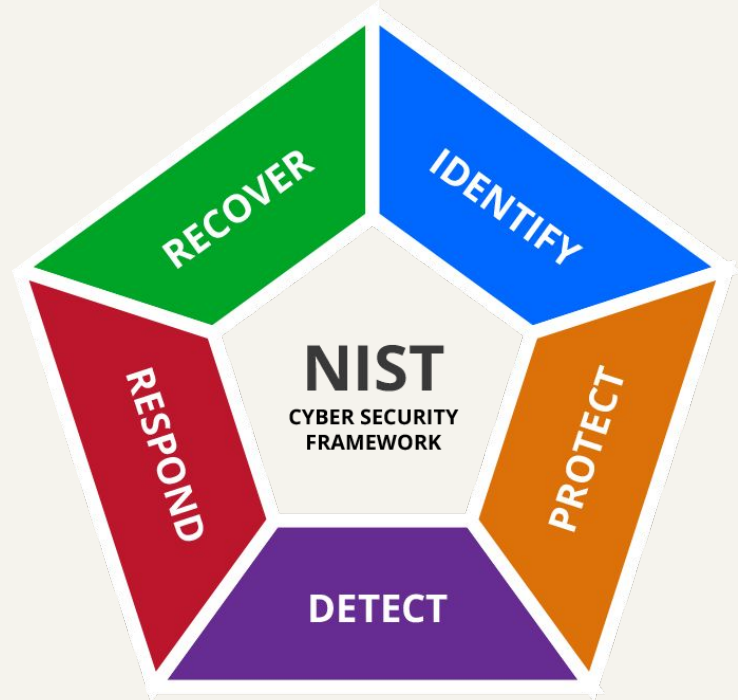
- Audit and updation of current Incident response plans, as per action 1
- Development of supply chain specific IRP, utilizing NIST framework
- Inclusion of critical vendors, stakeholders in supply chain specific IRPs

Medium

Priority Level

**3
Months**

Projected Timeline



Conclusion

Increasing globalization of services have lead to an increase in supply chain risks and incidents over the past few years. Hence, it becomes paramount for organizations to adopt best practices to shield ourselves from these attack areas.

Optimizing Security and Risk Criticality

- Streamlined auditing and updating security practices
- Prompt implementation of regulatory norms
- Action plan 1 and 2



Eliminating Human Factor

- Training workforce and Zero trust implementation
- Action plan 3



Creating critical partnerships and IRP

- Joint governance and implementation with critical vendors
- Action plan 2 and 4



Thanks!

Do you have any
questions?



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