**Invitation for Thursday, 14th of November NZISF seminar (on ZOOM)**

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**Seminar topic: Beyond the Board Report: the CISO-Board Relationship in NZ Companies**

With cybersecurity finally becoming a priority for boards, this draws into focus the relationship between the board and you, the organisation’s IT Security Manager or CISO. But your interaction with the board is limited and filtered – and do you truly understand the board's composition, functions, and expectations?

 Is this you, today?

a. The board scrutinises your capital projects for security improvement but, in return, they demand to see a monthly report, along with all audit reports and penetration tests.

b. You identify with 3 meta-risks in the corporate risk register: the cybers (ransomware and fake invoices), the clouds, and the 3rd parties.

c. None of the board has attempted your awareness training, nor read your 8 pages of Acceptable Use Policy and high-level Information Security Policy.

d. Your last real involvement was when you reviewed a business case to replace printed board packs with iPads.

 This presentation goes beyond the usual cybersecurity reporting clichés to explore who’s behind the curtain, where we’ll uncover:

* The structure of NZ boards and how it affects your security strategy.
* Why board members aren't just retired executives, but governance professionals with their own career paths.
* The role of the Audit and Risk Committee and how to leverage it.
* The relationship between the CEO and the Board Chair, and how this works during a major cyber incident.
* Your opportunities for board engagement and influence.

So, join us for an eye-opening exploration of the CISO-Board dynamic, tailored specifically to the New Zealand corporate landscape. We’ll consider cybersecurity through the board's eyes and how to change your interactions into powerful opportunities for organisational change. Don't miss this chance to boost your own strategic impact and align cybersecurity with boardroom priorities.

**Presenter: Stephen Coates**

Stephen Coates is a pragmatic consultant in a security advisory role. He has come a long way since he started out as a software student apprentice back in the 80's in Wiltshire (England). He now has many years of experience that cover information security, cloud, risk management, privacy, e-commerce, IT infrastructure and IT Service Management. Having worked in these fields for so long, he has accumulated both a wealth of war stories (some experienced first-hand, some witnessed, and very many near misses), and a treasure chest of badges and certifications.

**Details for registration:**

* Registration fee: $10.00.
* Registrations will be accepted until the morning of Wednesday, 13th of November.
* ZOOM login will be circulated to attenders on Wednesday, 13th of November.

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