



Simple strategies to make your business more secure

**How to stop the bad
guys from stealing your
stuff without you
noticing**

What motivates the bad guys

Crime in general



One on one



One on Many



One on Millions



Money, access to money



Intellectual Property / Trade secrets



Client, staff and business information



Your technology

The basics have not changed

Motive



Means



Opportunity



If you think security is...



It will never happen to us

You have a problem!



You have a problem!

My IT / Managed service provider has that covered



You have a problem!

We have nothing of value



You have a problem!

You are too small to be a target



You have a problem!

We take security seriously but have not invested in security

Why US

Work experience

- In the ICT industry since 1984
- Run my own business in the security space since 2011
- Teach at Australian Defence Force College
- Teach at CIT



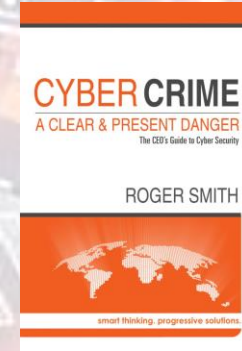
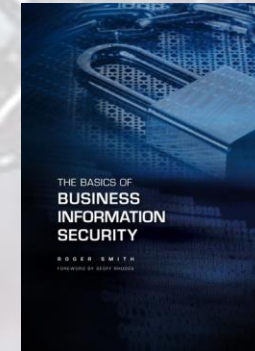
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Achievements



Education

Numerous Vendor and industry certification.
Our competition do not have certs

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Insider Threat & Workforce Assurance

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INSIDER THREAT



Today - Digital Crime is a business!

THERE is

Competition and collaboration between rival gangs

**Web Hosting, Botnets, Zombie networks, Malware
and exploit kits, money laundering, crypto
exchanges**

Operations and Automation

Research and Development

Marketing and Sales

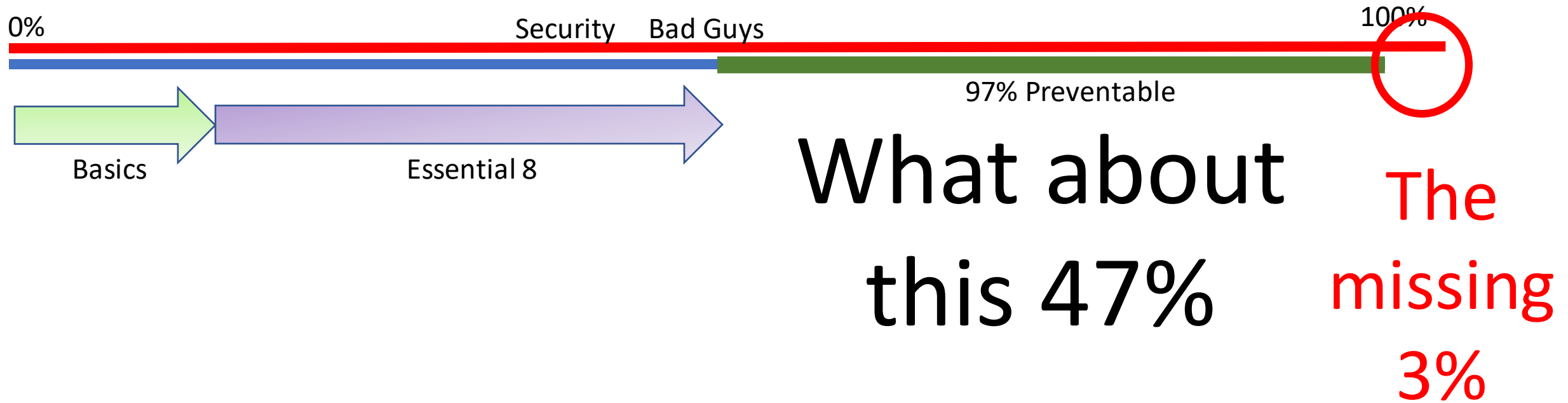
Support

Random Vs Targeted

**ACTION
PLAN**

**The cybercriminal space is Darwinian – the bad
get caught, the good get better! (we have to stop
the good)**

Why we should be concerned with protecting ourselves and our systems



Protecting against the 47%, we call that enhanced business security

What you need to know to protect your organisation

**What are your assets (people, information, property, reputation).
What are the risks to them and how do you mitigate them?**

Stop them getting in

**Are you seeing what the cybercriminal see from outside your environment -
(continuous vulnerability scanning, penetration testing, dark web scanning,
social media scraping)**



Insider Threat: Definition

- The **potential** for an individual who has, or had, **authorised access** to an organisation's assets to use those assets, either **maliciously or unintentionally**, to act in a way that could negatively affect the organisation.
- Usually associated with cyber security

Data on Insider Threat

- Pandemic has increased the insider threat:
 - 278 organisations
 - 6803 insider incidents (56% - negligent, 26% - malicious, 18% - credential theft)
 - 44% increase of insider-led security incidents in 2022 (comparison to 2020)
 - \$15.4M - total average annual cost of insider incidents (\$11.45M in 2020)
 - Containment of an insider threat incident rising from 77 days in 2020 to 85 in 2022.

2022 Cost of Insider Threats Global Report (Ponemon Institute)

Why is Insider Threat relevant to you?

- You may have one now.
- You may have more than one now.
- You may recruit one soon.
- How might you know the risks in your current or future **workforce**?

Workforce assurance standards in Australia

Australian Standard for the Workforce Screening (AS 4811:2022)

Protective Security Policy Framework: Adjudicative Guidelines

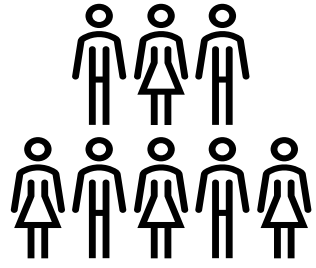
7 key risk factor areas:

- External loyalties
- Personal relationships and conduct
- Finance
- Use of alcohol and drugs
- Criminal history and conduct
- Attitude to security / security violations
- Mental health disorders

... and what nominated and unnominated referees say about you

Available screening options

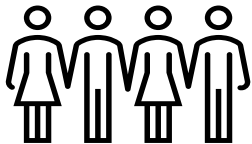
Type of a personnel security check/assessment	AGSVA baseline security clearance	AusCheck background check (Home Affairs)	Private company background checking	Providence Workforce Assurance Model ...
Availability for the private sector	✓ Limited # sponsored by the Australian Government	✓ Critical infrastructure # (limited by legislation)	✓ Yes	✓ Yes
AS 4811:2022	✓ Old standard	✓ No	✓ Old standard	✓ Yes
PSPF	✓ Yes	✓ No (only 2 risk factors)	✓ No (limited risk factors)	✓ Yes
Legislative base	✓ No	✓ Yes	✓ Yes (contract)	✓ Yes (contract)
Validity	✓ 15 years	✓ 2 years	✓ Point-in-time	✓ Ongoing
Timeframes	✓ 12 weeks +	✓ 6 weeks +	✓ 10 days +	✓ Scalable (in house)
Cost	✓ \$884	✓ \$100	✓ \$210.20	✓ Scalable



LOW



HIGH



HIGH

MULTIDISCIPLINARY GROUP

**WORKFORCE ASSURANCE
MODEL (CULTURE)**

**ACCESS AND TECHNICAL
CONTROLS**

MONITORING

**DATA
ANALYSIS &
REPORTING**

MONITORING



**INSIDER THREAT PROGRAM
FOUNDATION**

Return on Investment: Insider Threat Program



Holistic and risk based, in-house



Shared responsibility within organisation



Integrated protection of critical assets



Early detection capability, minimising impact



Adequate organisational response minimising threat

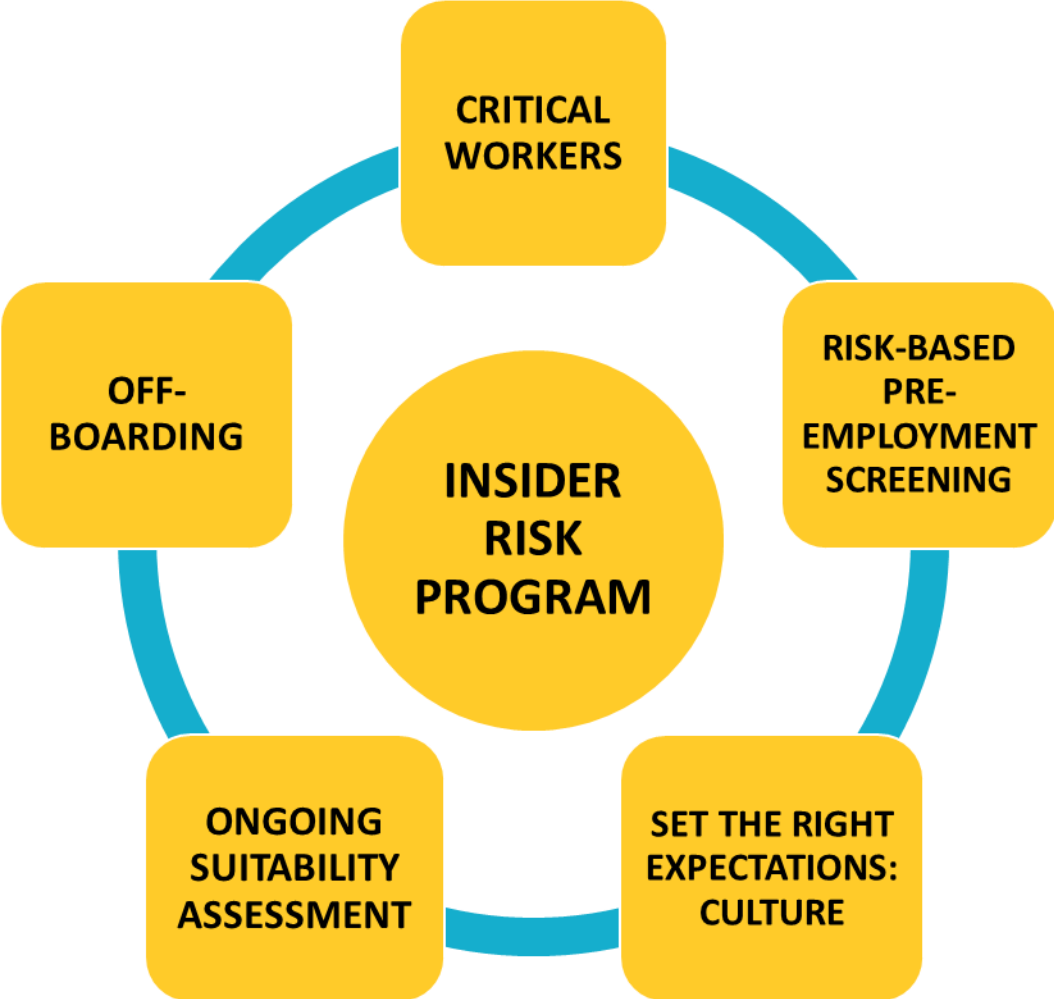


Enhance organisation's security culture



Bolster wellbeing, performance & diversity

SOCI PERSONNEL SECURITY REQUIREMENTS



What you need to know to protect your organisation

The background of the slide features a complex graphic of interlocking gears. A large gear in the center has the words 'ACTION PLAN' written across it in a stylized, outlined font. To the left, a smaller gear contains a padlock icon. The overall aesthetic is technical and industrial, with a color palette of greys, blues, and oranges.

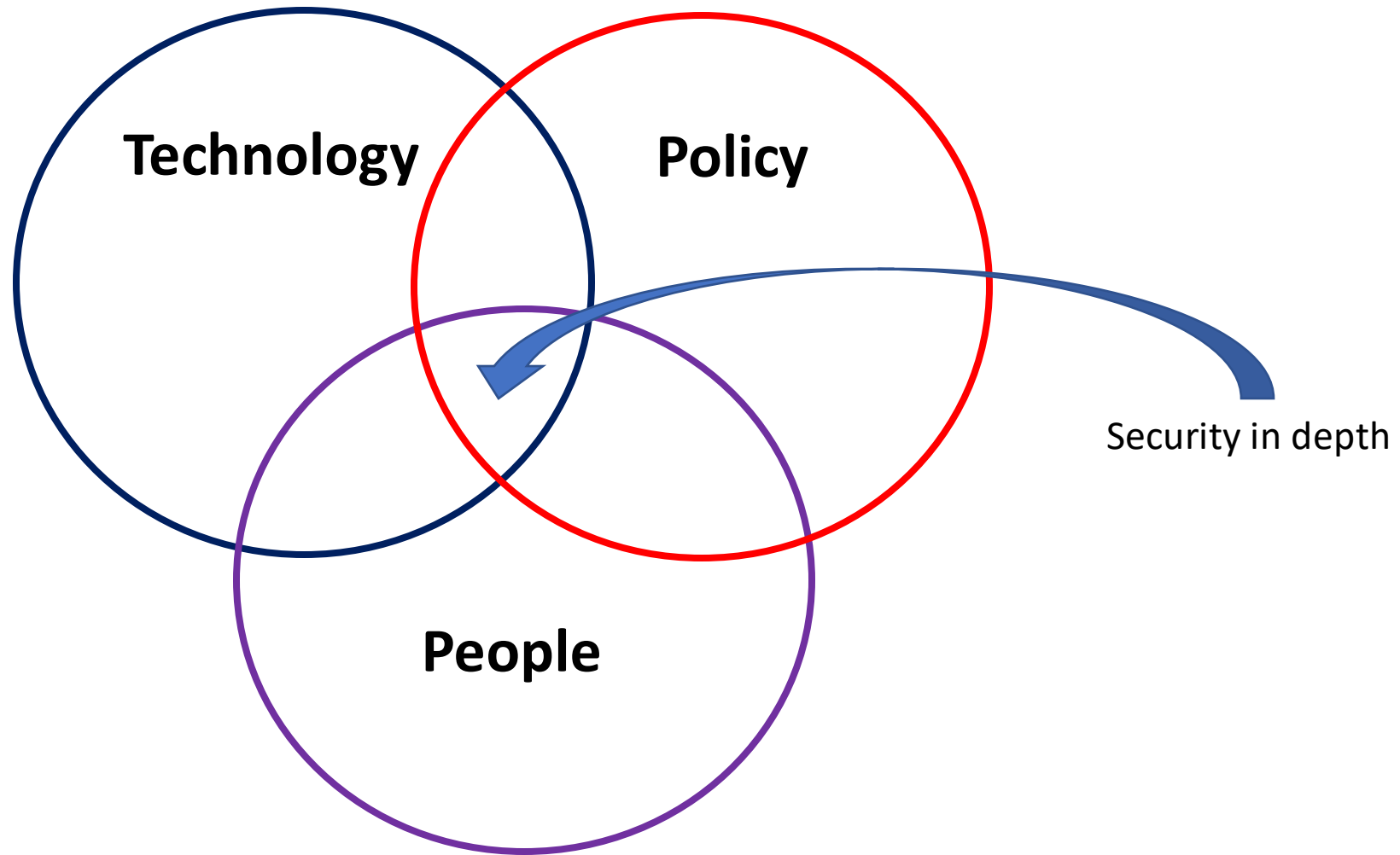
Know what they have done

What can you see inside your environment (System information and event management - SIEM, Reports, alerts, visuals)

Can you recover

How can you get back to business as normal with minimal down time?

The basic building blocks of business security



Why this is important?

There is no “set and forget” when it comes to security

If we do not know who they are, how do we protect against them?

If we do not know what needs to be secure, how do we stop them?

If we do not do the basics, we cannot build better security?

If we are not proactive, how do we anticipate them?

If you do not start, how can you protect your business.



Your people can be your worst enemy or your best defence.

The insider threat needs to be addressed

Awareness, training and education is the key