

CYBER RESILIENCE SUMMIT NZ

WHERE CYBER LEADERS CONVERGE
TO ADDRESS THE EVOLVING THREAT
LANDSCAPE

AUGUST 21ST, 2025
HILTON, AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND



SPEAKERS



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KEY TOPICS

- Achieving security excellence in the cyber arms race
- Managing the human factor: Building resilience in the business's greatest vulnerability
- Assessing and managing cyber risks in a connected world
- Profiling prominent threat actors: behaviours, capabilities and developments

WHO WILL ATTEND?

- CISOs
- CIOs
- Heads of Information Security
- Heads of Cyber
- Heads of IT
- Heads of Technology Risk

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AGENDA

8:30AM REGISTRATION & REFRESHMENTS

9:00AM WELCOME REMARKS

9:10AM OPENING KEYNOTE

Assessing the global geopolitical stage and it's influence on the cyber threat landscape

9:40AM PANEL DISCUSSION



Achieving security excellence in the cyber arms race

- What does best in class cyber security look like in 2025?
- Anticipating regulation and unpacking the evolving responsibility of cyber leaders
- Implementing and testing recovery and business continuity strategies
- Instilling resilience in all business units through converged security

Laura Ross, Head of Cyber Security Strategy, Architecture & Risk, One NZ

Duncan Hills, Chief Information Security Officer, Fletcher Building

Anusha Chappidi, Business Information Security Officer NZ, Suncorp

Christophe Demoor, Head of Security, Auckland Transport

10:20AM CASE STUDY

Adversarial (Mis)Use of AI; And how to defend against it

Brent Muir, vCISO and Principal Consultant, Mandiant, Google Cloud

10:50AM MORNING TEA & NETWORKING

11:20AM INTERACTIVE



In your tables, put yourself into the shoes of the red team and devise your method of attack for the example provided

11:50AM PANEL DISCUSSION



Assessing and managing third party and supplier risks in a connected world

- Determining critical suppliers and associated risk exposure
- Best practice in ongoing auditing, assessment and monitoring intervals
- Devising standards to contain third party and suppliers risks post assessments

Stuart Gilberd, Head of IT Service and Security, Fisher & Paykel

Kavita Chetty, Senior Manager Line Technology Risk, AA New Zealand

Brad Ward Able, Head of Digital Security & Assurance, MITRE10

Shawn Wang, Head of Cyber Security Governance, Risk & Architecture, Spark NZ

Saif Salih, National Security 3rd Party & Assurance Manager, Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand

12:30PM PRESENTATION

Integrating next generation vulnerability management

1:00PM LUNCH & NETWORKING

1:40PM INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS

- Cyber Intrusion Decoded: Developing a holistic risk mapping framework
- The New Edge of Risk: Securing Everyday Devices in a Hyperconnected World
- Turning Insights into Action – Engaging Key Stakeholders on Cybersecurity Leadership
- Detecting the Undetectable: Building Resilience Against Insider Threats
- Proactive Cyber Defense: Harnessing AI and Automation to Outpace Evolving Threats

2:20PM PANEL DISCUSSION



Managing the human factor: Building a culture of shared cyber responsibility

- Can cyber security awareness programs keep up with increasingly sophisticated social engineering?
- Incorporating governance and adaptive technical controls for effective insider threat management
- Mitigating cyber risk through human psychology and baviour patterns
- Shifting culture to embed cyber hygiene in every department

Laura Marshall, Head of Information Security, LIC

Tony Allwood, Head of Cyber Security, Silver Fern Farms

Rachel Parangi, Information Security Manager, Northpower

Rudo Tagwireyi, Director of Digital Security and Risk, University of Canterbury

3:00PM AFTERNOON TEA & NETWORKING

3:20PM KEYNOTE

Exploring the rapidly advancing landscape of deepfakes and it's implications on cyber security

Dr.Sharif Abuadbba, Distributed Systems Security, CSIRO

4:20PM

CLOSING REMARKS FOLLOWED BY NETWORKING DRINKS

5:20PM EVENT CONCLUDES