



## Case Study - The Business and Regulatory Value of Third Party Certification to the NIST Cybersecurity Framework

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59,000 different areas of collective best practice - created by industry, for industry

From tram tracks...



... to the  
**Internet of  
Things**



Tea



Information Security



Connected and  
Autonomous Vehicles



Robot Ethics / Artificial  
Intelligence



Smart Cities / Building  
Information Modelling

# Where are we at today?



Privacy protection

Security breaches

Data Integrity

DDOS Attacks

Cyber Hacks & Attacks

Session Hijacking

Malicious Codes



WORLD  
ECONOMIC  
FORUM

"The FBI reports that more than **4,000 ransomware attacks occur daily**, while other research sources state that **230,000 new malware samples** are produced every day."

"By the end of 2018, **one to two million cybersecurity jobs** could remain unfilled."

## **Governance of cybersecurity risk**

- Consider privacy implications of the cybersecurity program
- Responsible individuals report to appropriate management and are appropriately trained
- Top management support compliance of cybersecurity, privacy laws, regulations, and Constitutional requirements
- Continued assess implementation of the foregoing organizational measures and controls





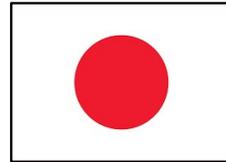
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and Context**

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# International Cybersecurity Framework Use



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Source: NIST



## International Harmonization and Context

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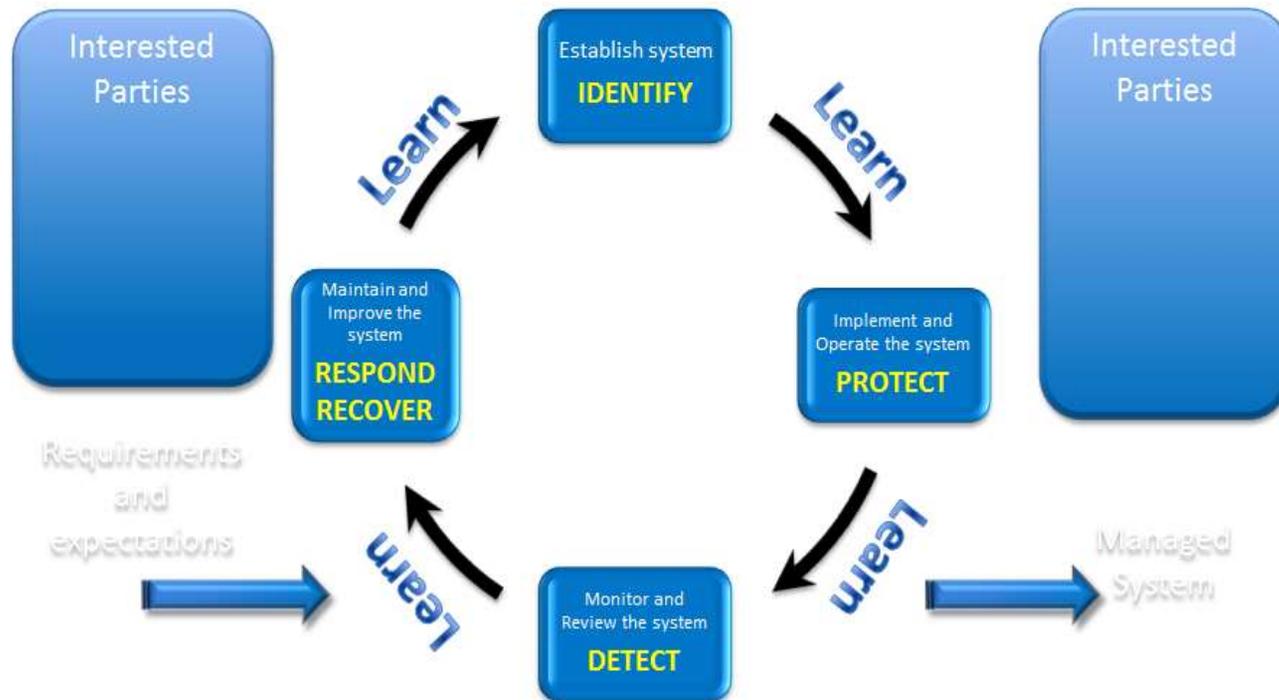


**Common International Threads on  
how the Framework is being used**

**Addressing Gaps and Implementing Controls**



# Aligned with the PDCA Cycle



Function	Category	Subcategory	Informative References
IDENTIFY (ID)	Asset Management (ID.AM): The data, personnel, devices, systems, and facilities that enable the organization to achieve business purposes are identified and managed consistent with their relative importance to business objectives and the organization's risk strategy.	ID.AM-1: Physical devices within the organization are inventoried	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• COBIT 5 BAI09.01, BAI09.02</li> <li>• ISA 62443-2-1:2009 4.2.3.4</li> <li>• ISO/IEC 27001:2013 SR 7.8</li> <li>• ISO/IEC 27001:2013 A.8.1.1, A.8.1.2</li> <li>• NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 CM-8</li> </ul>
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		ID.AM-5: Resources (e.g., hardware, devices, data, and software) are prioritized	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• COBIT 5 APO03.03, APO03.04, BAI09.02</li> <li>• ISA 62443-2-1:2009 4.2.3.6</li> </ul>

Control Objectives

Controls



# Organizational Tier Levels

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**TIER 1**  
Partial

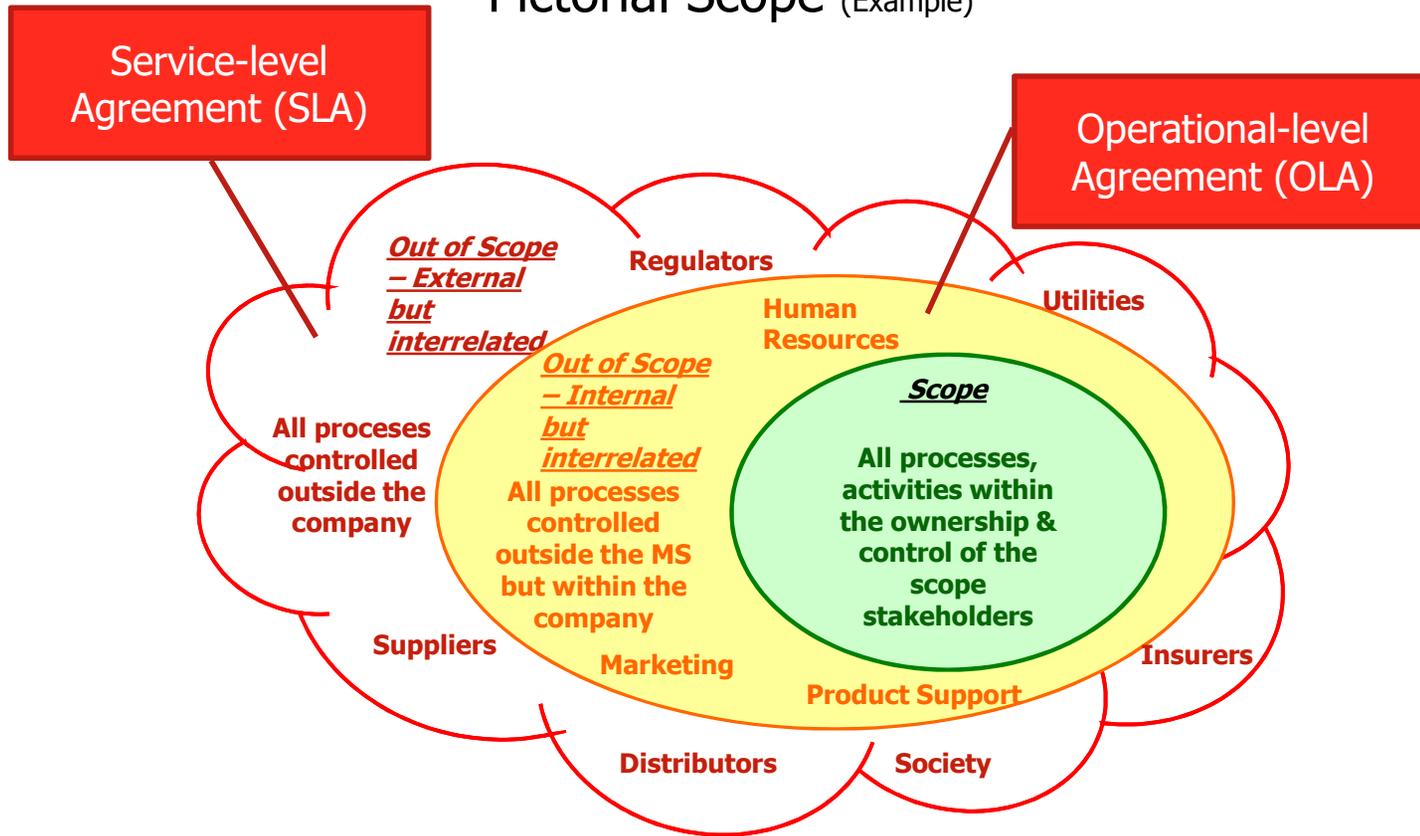
**Tier 2**  
Risk Informed

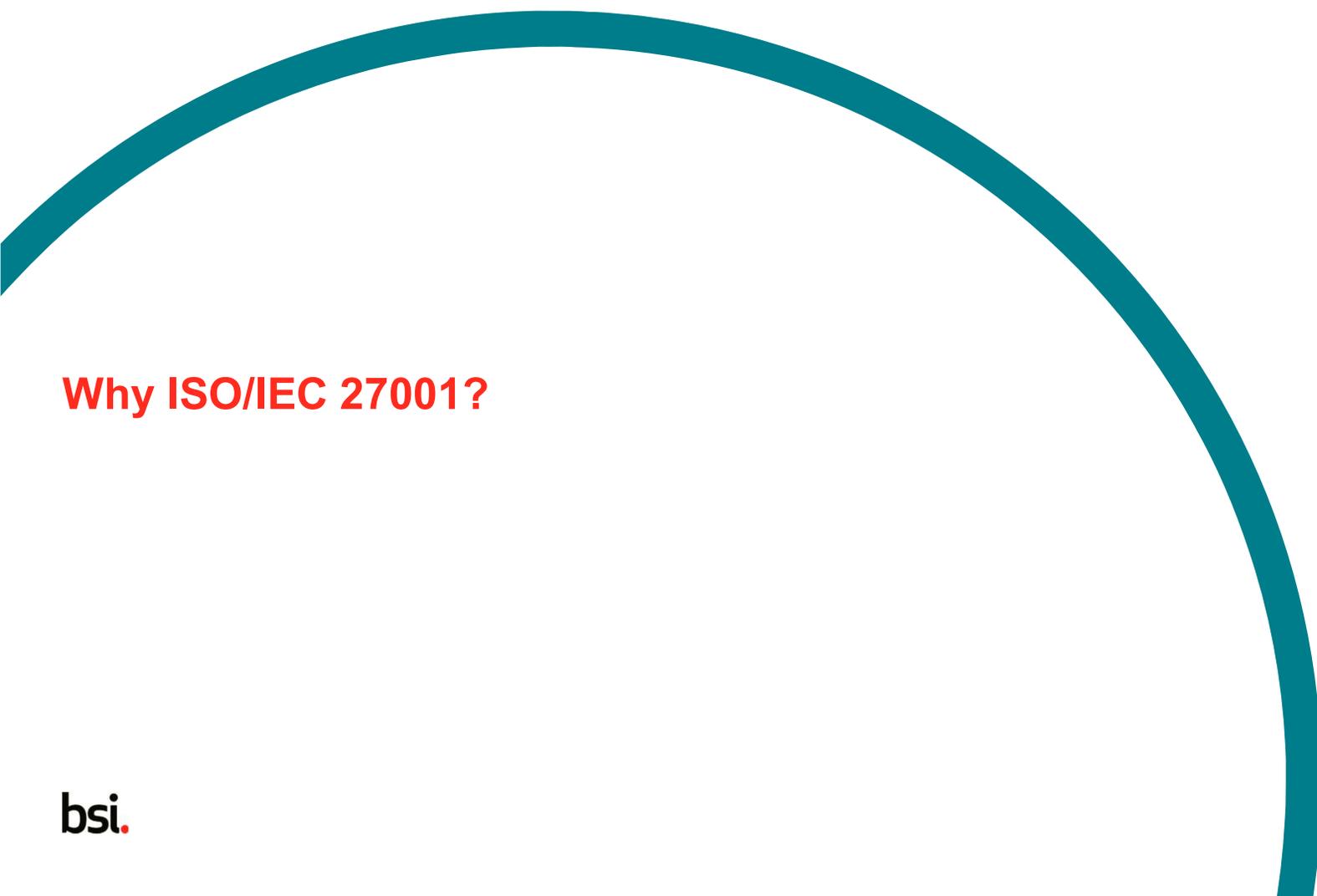
**Tier 3**  
Repeatable

**TIER 4**  
Adaptive



# Pictorial Scope (Example)





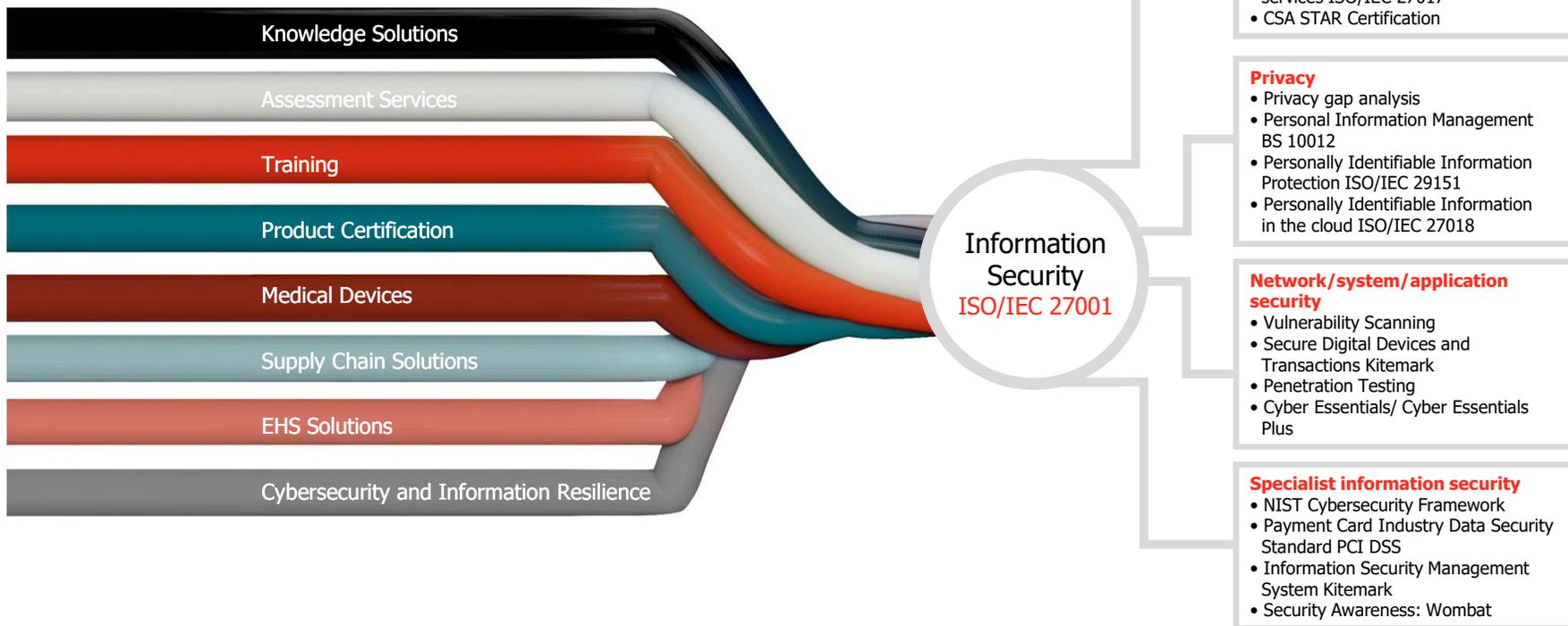
**Why ISO/IEC 27001?**

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# Why did we chose ISO/IEC 27001?

## Information Resilience



# Typical ISO/IEC 27001 Statement Of Applicability (SOA)

Statement of Applicability  
 Legend (for Selected Controls and Reasons for controls selection)  
 LR: legal requirements, CO: contractual obligations, BR/IBP: business requirements/adopted best practices, RRA: results of risk assessment, TSE: to some extent

ISO/IEC 27001:2013 Controls		Control Details		Current Control (Y/N/TSE)	Selected Controls and Reasons for selection or inclusion (multiple columns maybe ticked)			Justification for Exclusion	Overview of implementation
Clause Title	N°	Control Objective/Control	HIPAA Controls		Function	Category	Subcategory		
A.5 Information security policies	A.5.1	Management direction for information security Objective: To provide management direction and support for information security in accordance with business requirements and relevant laws and regulations.							
	A.5.1.1	Policies for information security	A set of policies for information security shall be defined, approved by management, published and communicated to employees and relevant external parties.					ID.BE-1: The organization's role in the supply chain is identified and communicated	
	A.5.1.2	Review of the policies for information security	The policies for information security shall be reviewed at planned intervals or if significant changes occur to ensure their continuing suitability, adequacy and effectiveness.					ID.BE-2: The organization's place in critical infrastructure and its industry sector is identified and communicated	
A.6 Organization of Information security	6.1	Internal Organization Objective: To establish a management framework to initiate and control the implementation and operation of information security within the organization.						ID.BE-3: Priorities for organizational mission, objectives, and activities are established and communicated	
	A.6.1.1	Information security roles and responsibilities	All information security responsibilities shall be defined and allocated.					ID.BE-4: Dependencies and critical functions for delivery of critical services are established	
	A.6.1.2	Segregation of duties	Conflicting duties and areas of responsibility shall be segregated to reduce opportunities for unauthorized or unintentional modification or misuse of the organization's assets.	Security		Business Environment (ID.BE): The organization's mission, objectives, stakeholders, and activities are understood and prioritized; this information is used to inform cybersecurity roles, responsibilities, and risk management decisions.		ID.BE-5: Resilience requirements to support delivery of critical services are established	
	A.6.1.3	Contact with authorities	Appropriate contacts with relevant authorities shall be maintained.	Security Management Process 164.308(s)(1)				ID.GV-1: Organizational information security policy is established	
	A.6.1.4	Contact with special interest groups	Appropriate contacts with special interest groups or other specialist security forums and professional associations shall be maintained.						
	A.6.1.5	Information security in project management	Information security shall be addressed in project management, regardless of the type of the project.						
	A.6.2	Mobile devices and To ensure the security of teleworking and use of mobile devices.							
	A.6.2.1	Mobile device policy	A policy and supporting security measures shall be adopted to manage the risks introduced by using mobile devices.						
	A.6.2.2	Teleworking	A policy and supporting security measures shall be implemented to protect information accessed, processed or stored at teleworking sites.			Governance (ID.GV): The			





**BSI's Journey in  
development of Certification  
to the Cyber Security  
Framework**



## Objectives

There are an increasing number of organisations claiming they are compliant to the CSF. However it is unclear what confidence can be placed on the statement of 'compliance'.

The CSF was intended to manage cybersecurity risk in a cost-effective way based on business needs without placing additional regulatory requirements on businesses.

Therefore the Framework relies on a variety of existing standards, guidelines, and practices to enable critical infrastructure providers to achieve resilience. These should be recognised in any certification scheme.



# Development Timeline



# Mapping ISO 27001 to CSF

## **Risk assessment/management**

- There exists a risk management approach in ISO 27001 that meet many the requirements of the CSF

### **Core**

- Many of these map to ISO 27001. Those are relatively easily be added during an ISO 27001 assessment and have already been mapped

### **Tiers**

- It will be hard to state or even verify the tier selected but we assess the process by which the organisation evaluated the tier and validate effectiveness of the process

### **Profile**

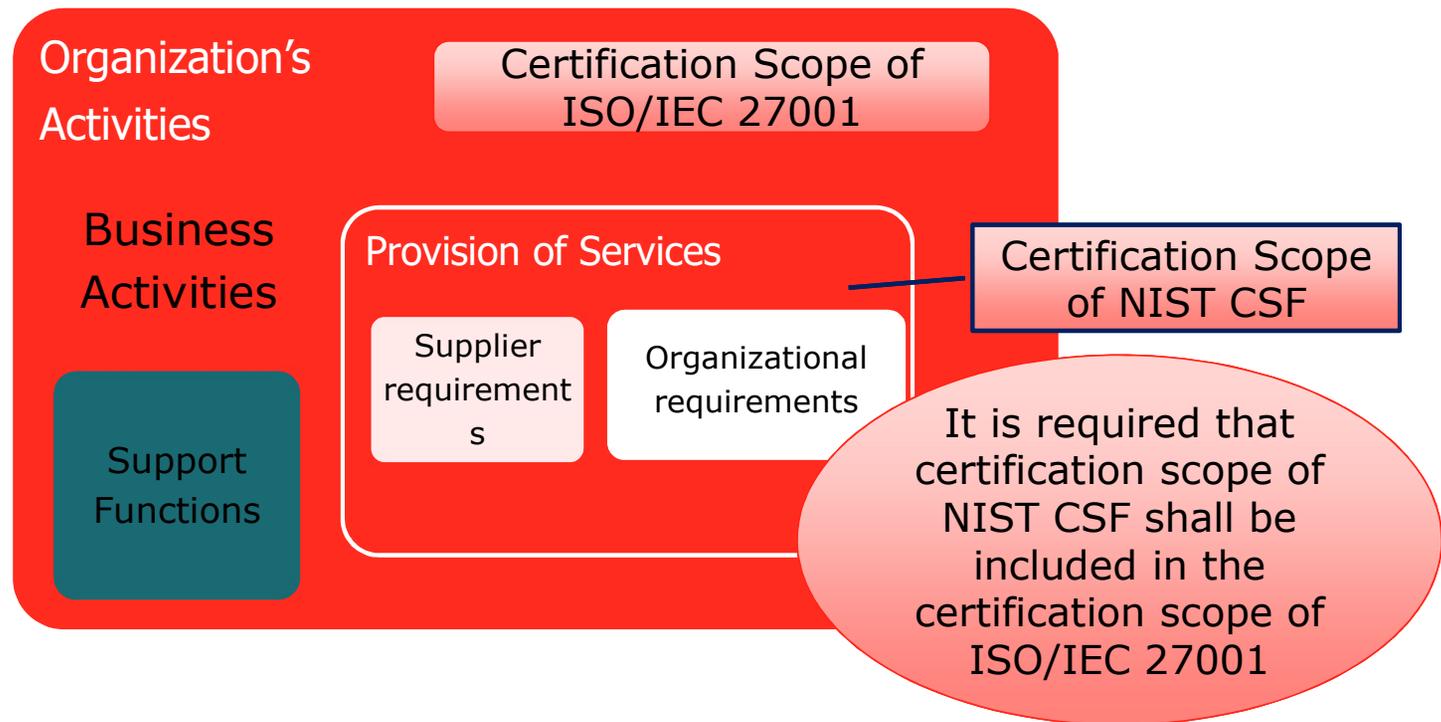
- Current state is well covered by control selection process in ISO 27001 plus a process for assessing the tier
- Will be expanded by a number of additional clauses to create a future state
- A requirement that the profiles be documented

### **Description of Decision Making and Information Flows (no specific requirements)**

- Reasonably well covered by the core clauses of 27001 (High Level Structure). Some additional documentation requirements are assessed

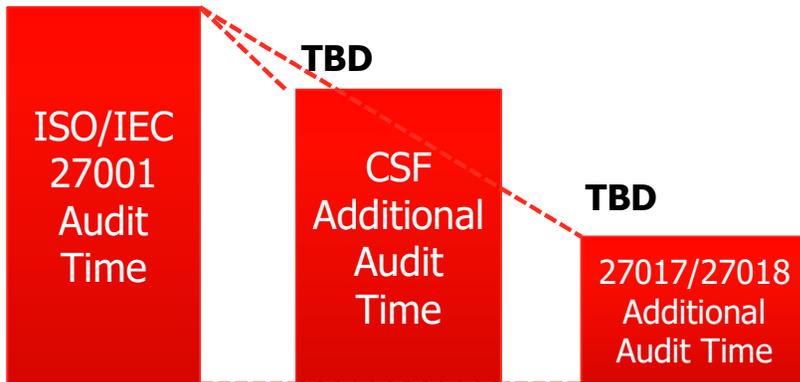


# Certification Scope of NIST CSF



## Additional audit durations for NIST CSF

The additional audit time for subsequent NIST CSF audit is calculated based on the audit time for ISO/IEC 27001 audit.



Audit type	Audit Time for NIST CSF
Extension to NIST CSF in conjunction with ISO/IEC 27001 IA, CAV or RA	Initial Certification Audit Time for ISO/IEC 27001 x
Special Audit to extend to NIST CSF	Plus X day to the above
Subsequent RA for NIST CSF	RA Audit Time for ISO/IEC 27001 x
Subsequent CAV for NIST CSF	CAV Audit Time for ISO/IEC 27001 x



Score	1 to 3	4 to 6	7 to 9	10 to 12	12 to 15
	No formal approach	Partial	Risk Informed	Repeatable	Adaptive
<b>Evidence / Definition</b>	1. There is some evidence of a system in place to manage the control area.	4. There is evidence of a system in place to cover to key operations in the control area. Where required, the system is documented.	7. There is evidence of a robust system in place that covers all routine operations in the control area	7. There is evidence the system for managing the control area is capable of managing contingency events as well as routine activity.	13. Control area owners actively share best practice to support development in other areas of the organization based on their experience in this control area.
<b>Managed</b>	2. There is some evidence of either a documented system or an accepted way of working is in place.	5. There is a clearly identified owner for the control area who understands their scope of responsibility.	8. There is evidence that the control area is actively monitored and measured and actions evaluated based on the evidence.	11. Input from a variety of sources is considered to decide how to manage risk and improve operations in this control area.	14. Control area owners can demonstrate that they actively review best practice from their industry and across their organisation and apply it to the control area.
<b>Followed / Effective</b>	3. There is some evidence of an accepted way of working that is broadly understood and followed.	6. There is evidence the system is understood and routinely followed.	9. There is evidence that critical people operating in the control area are appropriately trained / skilled to manage routine operations in the control area.	12. There is evidence that inputs from a range of stakeholders and monitoring and measure systems has been taken into account when improving operations in the control area.	15. Changes in the control area are evaluated against the strategic objectives of the organization.

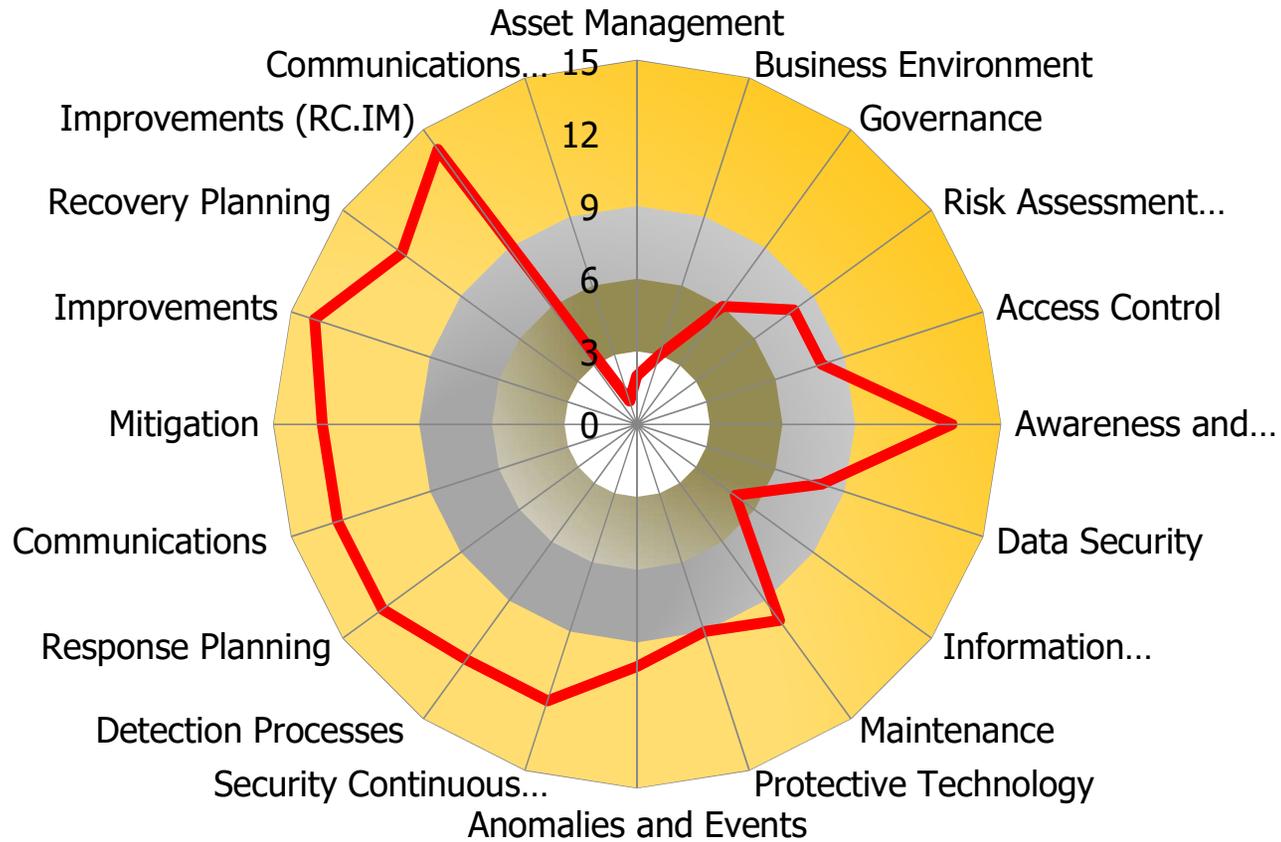
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# Certificate of Registration

QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM - NIST CSF

This is to certify that: **2H Offshore Engineering Ltd**  
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Woking  
GU21 6EE  
United Kingdom

Holds Certificate Number: **NIST 676578**

and operates a Quality Management System which complies with the requirements of NIS scope:

For and on behalf of BSI:

Andrew Launn, EMEA Systems Certification Director

Original Registration Date: 2018-03-15

Latest Revision Date: 2018-03-15

Effective Date:  
Expiry Date:

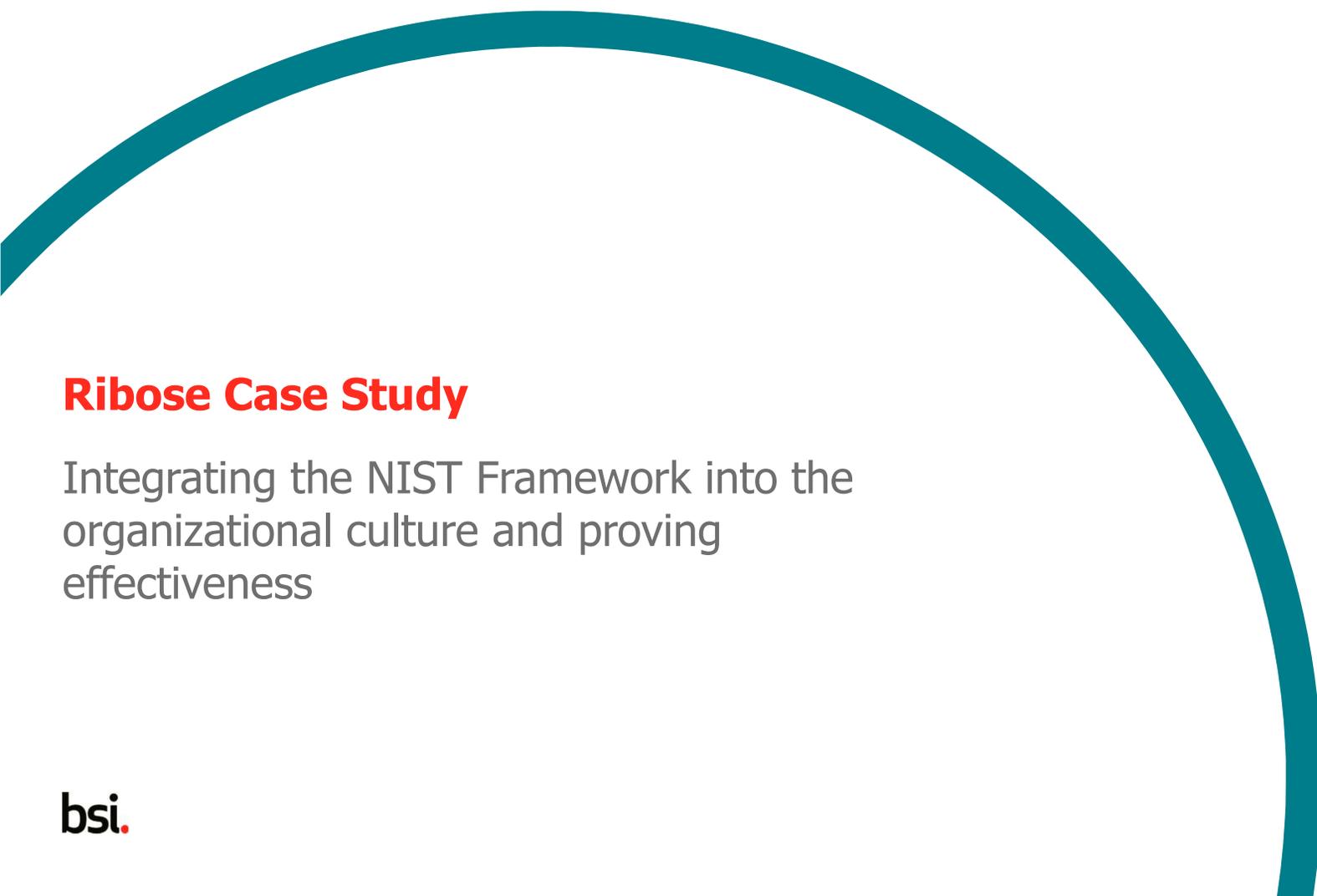


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## **Ribose Case Study**

Integrating the NIST Framework into the organizational culture and proving effectiveness

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# Ribose is defined by the universal pursuit of freedom and liberty

Our mission:

"To allow individuals and organizations alike to *freely communicate and achieve productivity for the greater good.*"

We achieve our mission through focusing on:

- Security and privacy
- Open standards, transparency and interoperability

Everything we do relate to these goals.

And this is why the **NIST CSF** fits us.



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**CSA APAC**  
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Security Innovation of the Year

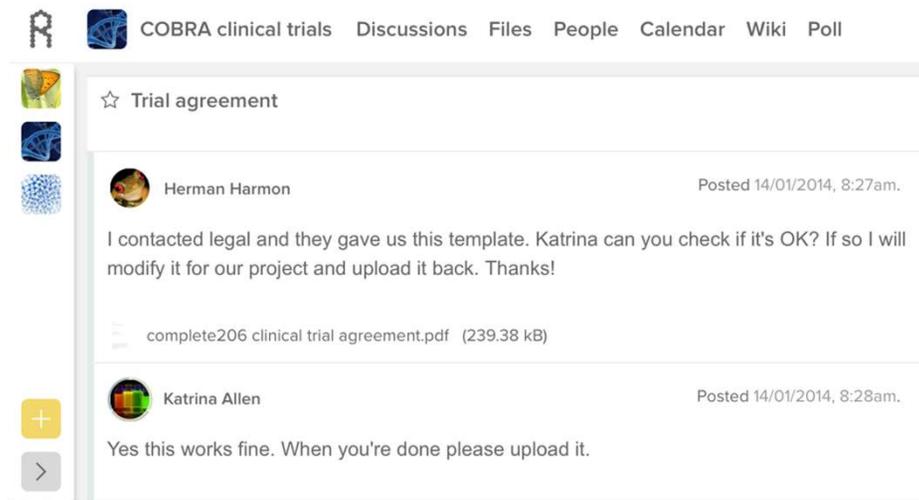
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# Our offerings demonstrate we practice what we preach

## Ribose, the secure collaboration platform

- Provider-opaque security
- Hierarchically-managed data
- Proprietary security technologies



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## Related open technologies

- RNP: high-performance OpenPGP suite
- Nereon: universal configuration
- Riffol: secure initialization system
- Retrace: application integrity monitoring and active interception

## Heavy contributions to third-party projects

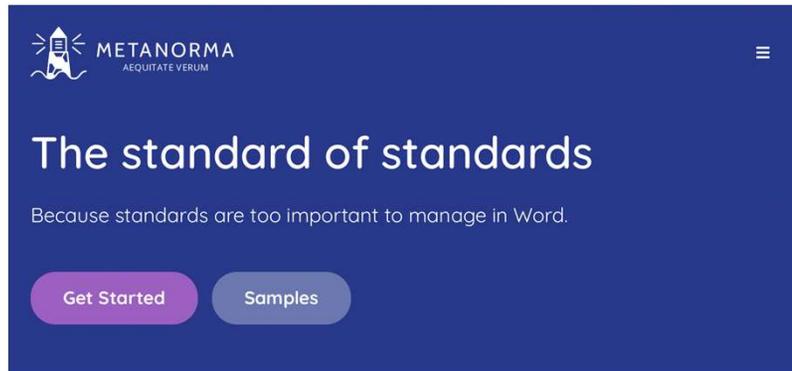
- OpenSSL
- Botan
- Terraform



# Our open technologies form the basis of international standards

Metanorma, the open-source publishing toolchain

- Author-to-paper publishing flow
- Separates content and presentation concerns



**M**et Metanorma: an open-source framework for writing & publishing standards documents with a focus on semantic authoring and flexible output support.

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Related open technologies

- Metanorma StandardDoc: standardized standardization documents
  - Adopted by authors of **ISO, IETF, CalConnect, CSA, UNECE, M3AAWG** documents
- Engyon: secure documents
- Relaton: interoperable citations



# Advancing the world with open international standards, one at a time

## Security

- ISO/PWI Information security -- Vulnerability assessment process
- CSA SaaS security guidelines for cloud customers
- CSA Agile security

## Standardization documents

- ISO 36001 Standardization documents -- Metanorma -- Document metamodel
- ISO 36002 Standardization documents -- Metanorma -- Representation in XML

## Information exchange

- ISO 19160-6 Addressing -- Digital addresses
- ISO 56001 Directory -- Common profile -- Personal and organization information (vCard v4 successor)

## Core data

- ISO 8601-1/2 Date and time -- Representation for information interchange (FDIS)
- ISO 34000 Date and time -- Concepts and vocabulary
- ISO 34002 Date and time -- Timezones
- ISO 34003 Date and time -- Codes for calendars



# We strongly advocate cybersecurity assessments, and do them for good reasons

## Regional

World's first Singapore MTCS

(highest Level 3)



First non-China-based C-STAR



## Cloud

First SaaS



First cloud provider



Only CSP triple-assured by CSA

World's first STAR Attestation



... and more security



## Independent auditors are the true value in third-party certification

“The (audit) journey is the reward.”

The audit report is **not** where value lies.

### Rationale

- "You can't improve what you can't **measure**"
- Measurements have to be **interpreted**
- **Independence** helps in interpretation of measurements

### Facts

- **Independent and competent external auditors** can provide expert insights about your security stance.
- They have a keen sense in **finding problems** and can **signal potential improvements**.
- They do more audits than you think, their **experience** will **allow everyone involved in the process to learn**.



# The business value of a certification is in self-improvement

## Value of dynamic interactions

- Going to school vs reading textbooks at home?
- In-person course vs self-taught option?
- You wanted to **learn the subject** well!
  - Helps you understand the topic with a **broader view and depth**
  - Immediate **feedback**
- A little **pressure** also helps you get there
  - **Motivation** from peers compassionate with your cause and familiar with your context

## A way to **get better**

- Third-party auditors are your **sparring partners** in information security management.
- A certification is a (paid) continuous commitment to improve one's information security stance. This **external pressure applies to all involved** in the organization.
- Serves a **consistent reminder** that the "good enough" bar for information security is an **ever-raising** one.

That said, a shiny badge is a useful extra.



## Business rationale for Ribose's certification

### International harmonization

- Philosophy of "Implement once, certify many"
- Harmonization for us means "**highest bar**", not "lowest common" or "average"
- Want to demonstrate to customers we can **do the right thing**:
  - Raison d'être of "best practices"
  - Doing the right thing means doing it everywhere!
    - (i.e. there is only one Internet)

### Operational benefits

- Better **align** organizational **goals and risks** with operational controls.
- Push our existing system and **fill in any gaps**
  - We realized better ways of doing things with every extra security standard we comply with
  - Continuously improve on efficiency and effectiveness
- Applicable control for continuous improvement!



## Implementer's view: CSF takes a more holistic approach than ISO/IEC 27001

	<b>ISO/IEC 27001</b>	<b>NIST CSF</b>
<i>Orientation</i>	Process-oriented	Outcome-oriented
<i>Action drivers</i>	Risk-driven control requirements	Focused on risk mitigation
<i>Approach</i>	Prescriptive, management system	Adaptive, risk-driven
	Rule-based	Open to prioritization, improvise
<i>Mantra</i>	<b>"What you have to do"</b>	<b>"What you want achieved"</b>

SMBs often find ISO/IEC 27001 too complex to apply.  
CSF gives them a good start.



## CSF subcategories are worded to allow possibilities

### **ID.AM-2**

*Software platforms and applications within the organization are inventoried.*

**Straightforward**, outcome-oriented, yet literally **open-ended** specification:

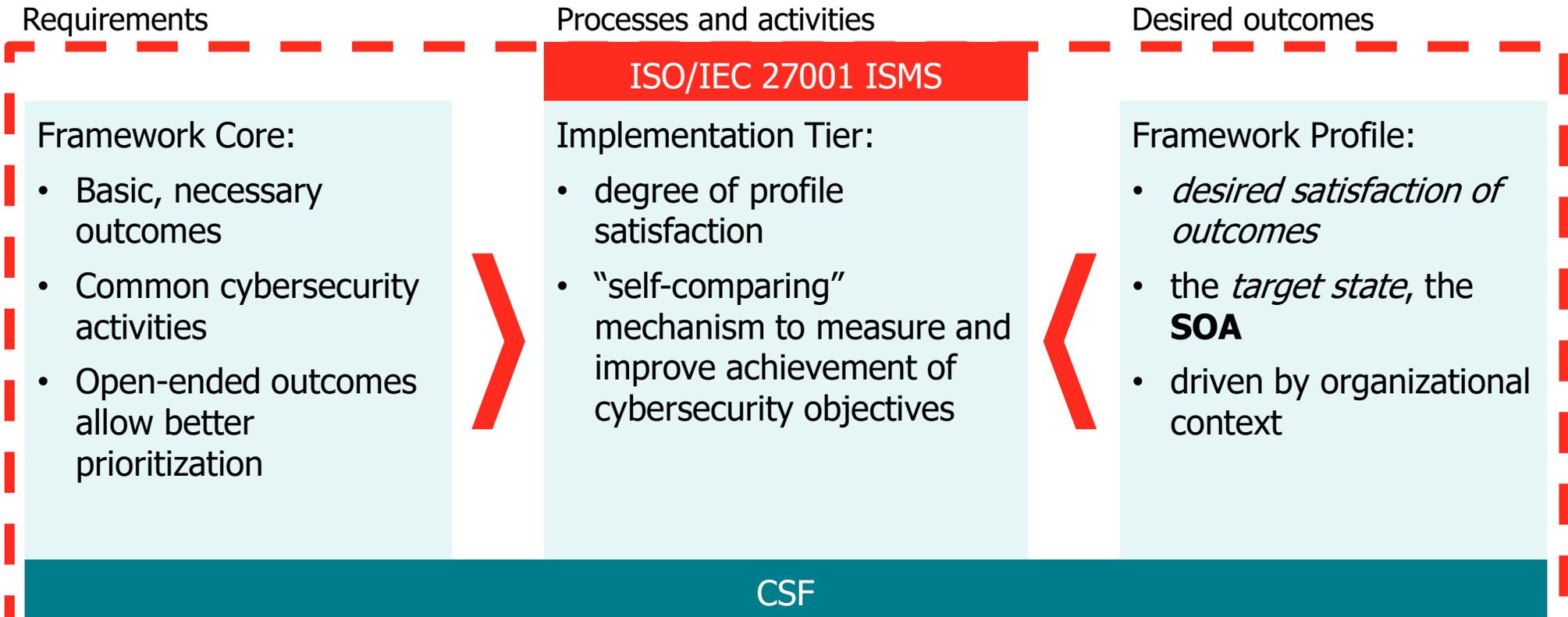
- *Software platforms*
- *applications*
- *within the organization*
- *inventoried*

In the ISO/IEC 27001 family, this involves at least:

- Change management
- Release management
- Service management
- Configuration management
- Audit management

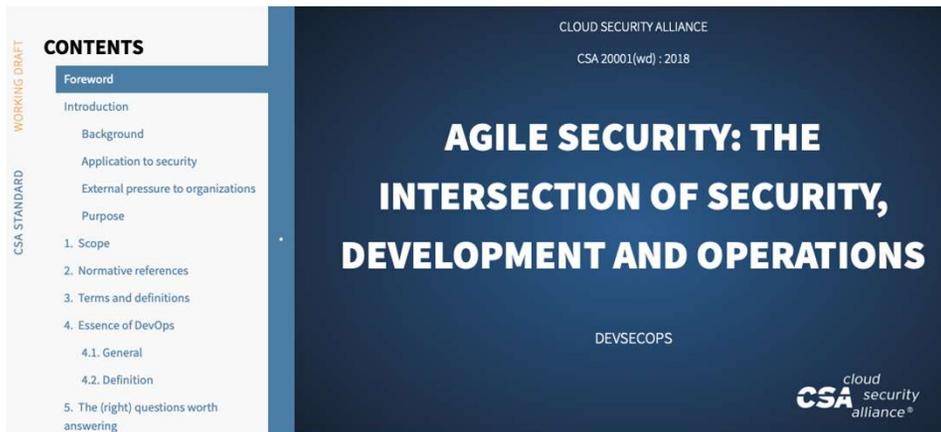


## We found CSF useful for setting *context* for ISMS: risk and desired outcomes



# CSA DevSecOps WG's "six pillars" of Agile Security facilitates CSF alignment

DevSecOps: achievement of information security through DevOps practices.



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- <https://riboseinc.github.io/csand-devsecops-whitepaper/>

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- <https://github.com/CloudSecurityAlliance/csand-devsecops-whitepaper/>

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## 10.1. **Collectively responsible**

- Everyone is responsible of the security stance

## 10.2. **Collaborate**

- Culture of working together

## 10.3. **Pragmatic**

- Prioritize and demonstrate value of security

## 10.4. **Integrate**

- Vertical and horizontal

## 10.5. **Automate**

- Put humans in charge of what they do best

## 10.6. **Measure**

- Evidence-based improvement



## Takeaway: how are YOU going to live the CSF?

*Organizations will continue to have unique risks – different threats, different vulnerabilities, different risk tolerances.*

*The Framework is not a one-size-fits-all approach to managing cybersecurity risk for critical infrastructure.*

-- NIST Cybersecurity Framework 1.1

This was never about the CSF.

It's about how you **live and breath** it!



**Thank You!**



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