



ADDRESSING DATA PRIVACY: MANAGING THE RISK OF FUTURE LIABILITY

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- 10:00 – 10:05 Chairman's Introduction
- 10:05 – 10:30 Keynote Addresses
 - Matthew Negus
 - Hazel Grant
 - Kevin Hall
- 10:30 – 10:45 Questions, Answers & Discussion

TODAY'S SPEAKERS



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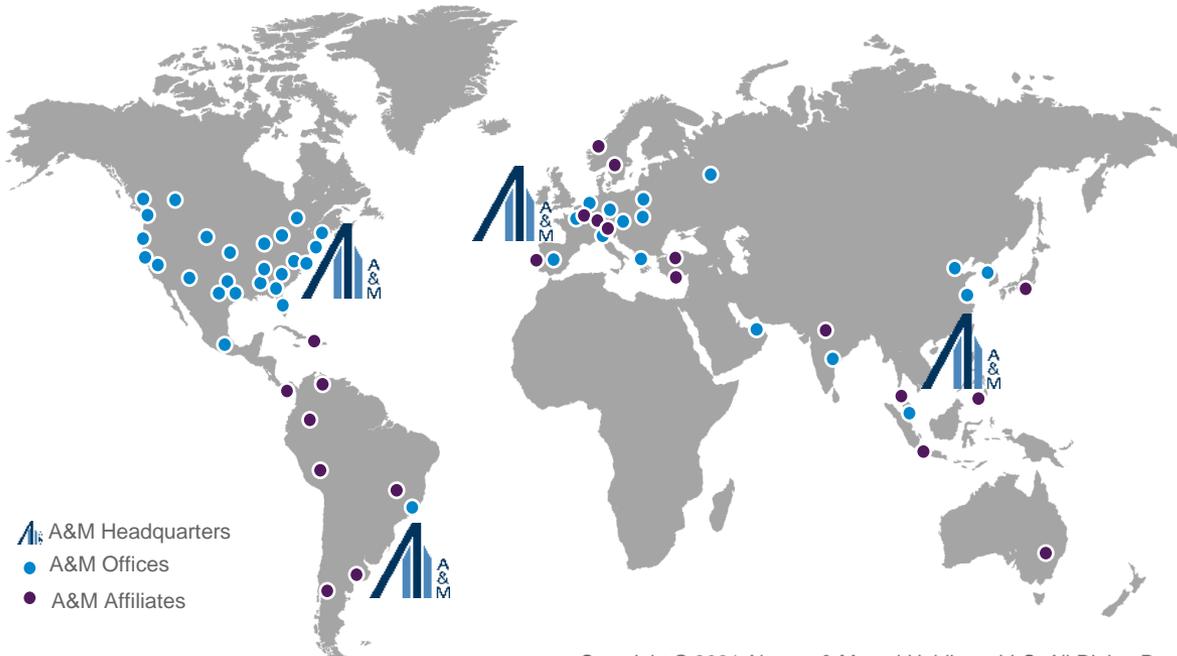
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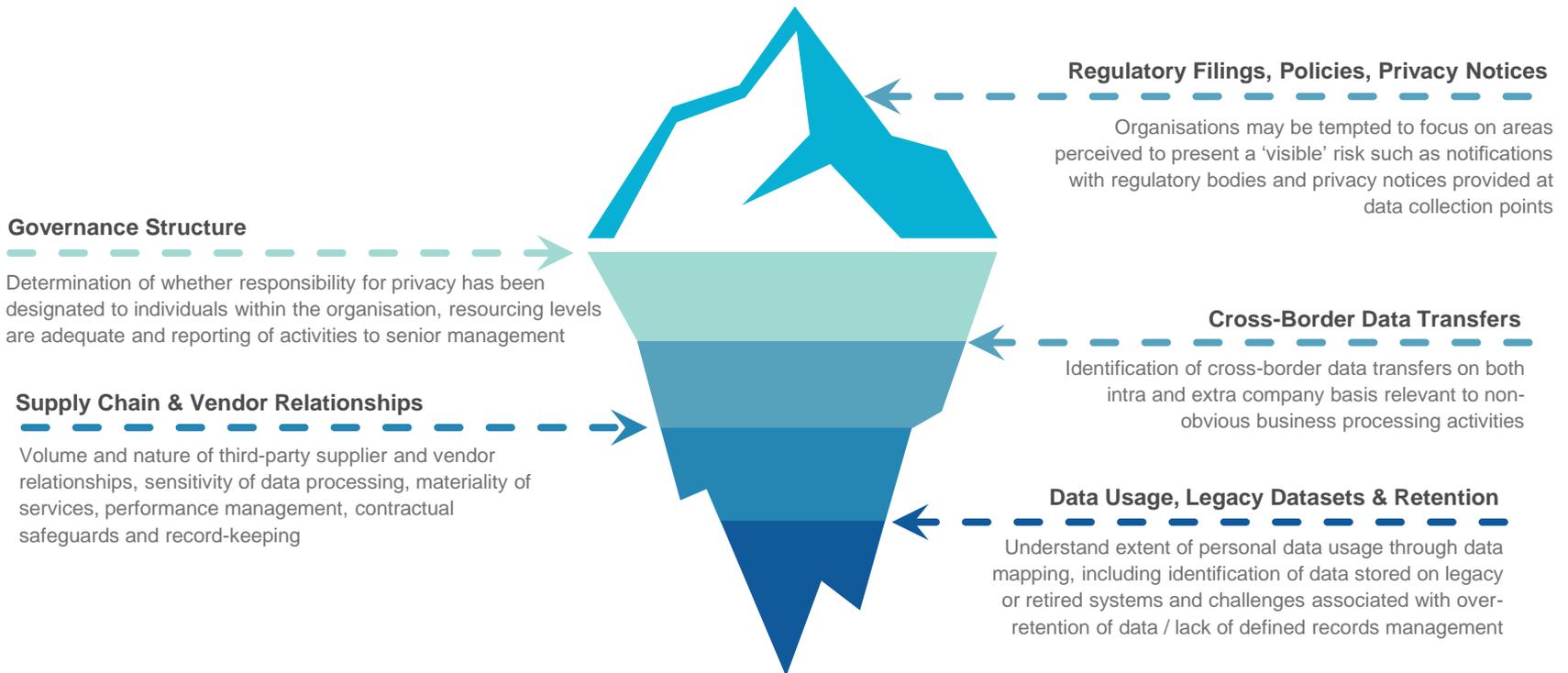


Has your organisation been involved in any corporate transaction activity (merger, acquisition, divestment) in the last 12 months?

- a) Yes*
- b) No*
- c) Don't Know*

Data Protection in Corporate Transactions

Personal data and the legal and regulatory obligations associated with its use is of particular relevance in the context of corporate transactions including mergers, acquisitions and divestments. As organisations pursue strategic transformation and restructuring, it is critical that adequate time and attention is paid to identifying and measuring risks to personal data within the target organisation. The focus of effort should not be limited to those more 'visible' risk components and due diligence must be 'deep' enough to identify any hidden or less obvious risks to personal data and to realise the full value of data.



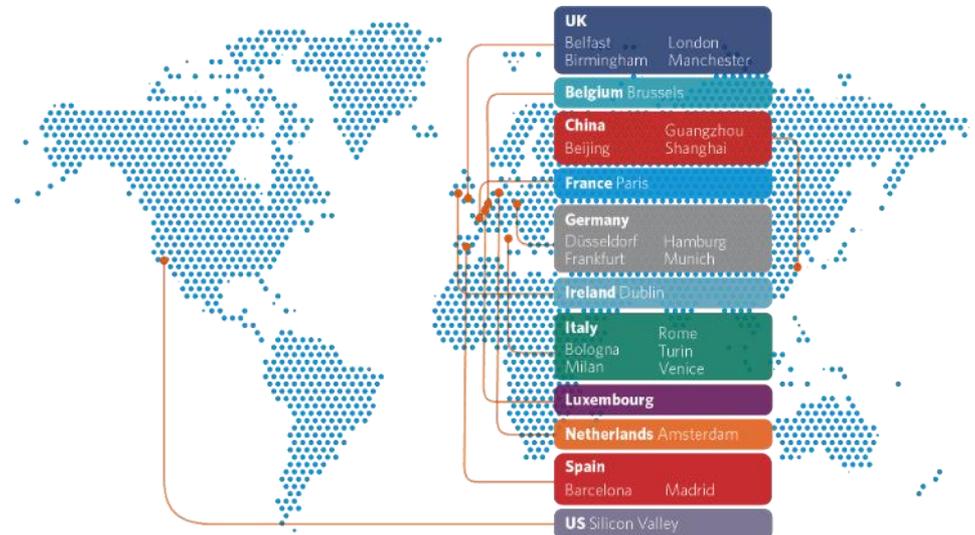
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How would you rate the importance of privacy and cyber risk issues in the context of a corporate transaction?

- a) High*
- b) Moderate-High*
- c) Moderate*
- d) Moderate-Low*
- e) Low or N/A*

Data Protection & Cyber Risk in Corporate Transactions

- Due diligence is often not adequately assessing risk of regulatory enforcement and litigation due to data compliance
- Valuations of data assets and digital strategies need to consider impact of privacy laws including monetisation of user analytics and commercial ability to use and sell data for marketing and consumer profiling
- Risk of post-transaction delays or regulatory restrictions where privacy and data compliance is not factored adequately into new corporate structures, business strategy, technology integration and data governance

Marriott faces £100m fine over Starwood data breach



Data concerns prompt LSE/Refinitiv merger review

Emily Craig
25 June 2020

2020 Data Privacy Trends to Watch in M&A

The right question is not whether the company suffered a breach in the past, but rather do the company's systems, policies and procedures have the backbone and the flexibility to withstand the trends and respond to the data profile risk.

Mergers And Acquisitions: How To Make Sure You Don't Purchase A Breach

Google gobbling Fitbit is a major privacy risk, warns EU data protection advisor

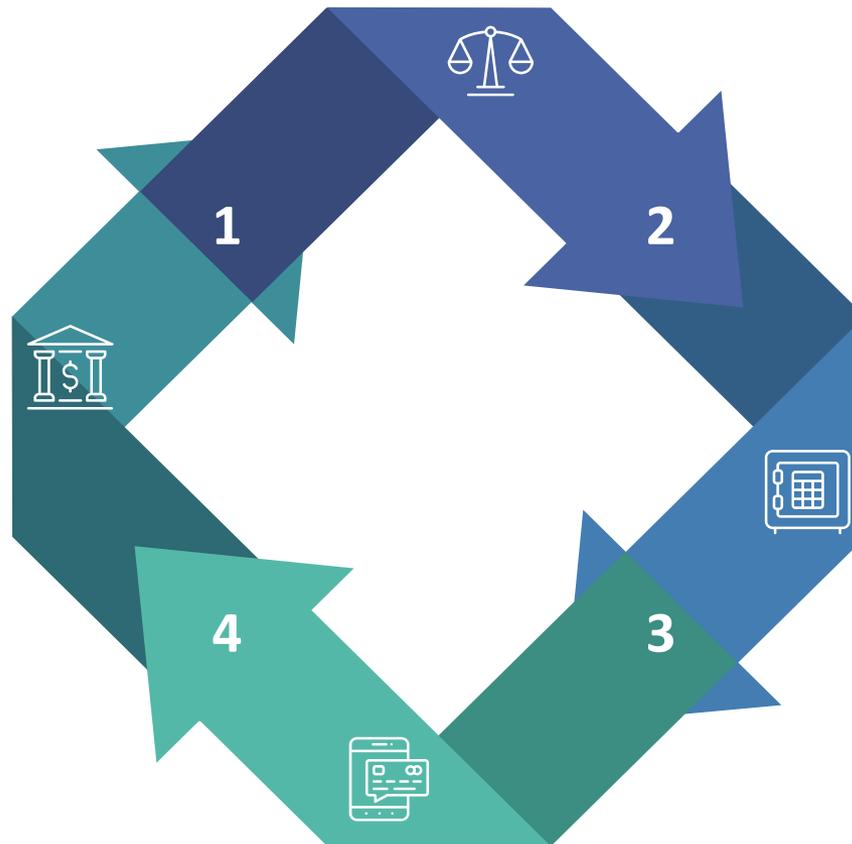
Mergers & Acquisitions – Key Privacy & Cyber Components

Module 1 – Planning

- Acquisition target selection
- Privacy investment/growth potential of target
- Data commercialisation activities (planned/in-progress)

Module 4 – Post-Deal Integration

- Privacy Office integration
- Operational transition
- Data carve-out (execution)



Module 2 – Due Diligence

- Personal data handling lifecycle
- Due diligence risk assessment - individual rights, privacy notices, policies, training, data management, data security, cross-border transfers, vendor risk, privacy impact assessments, data inventories
- Remediation recommendations and roadmap of pre-deal risk items

Module 3 – Deal Closing

- Execution on remediation roadmap
- Privacy governance planning
- Data carve-out (identification)

Divestments – Privacy & Cyber Considerations

4. Post-Separation

Execution of separation activities including data carve-out, updating of group policies, procedures, contracts, notification to regulators, impacted clients and suppliers etc.

3. Deal Closing

Ring-fencing and segregation of shared processes, procedures, third party suppliers, systems and co-mingled datasets (data carve-out) from selling organisation and which require re-papering.



1. Preliminary

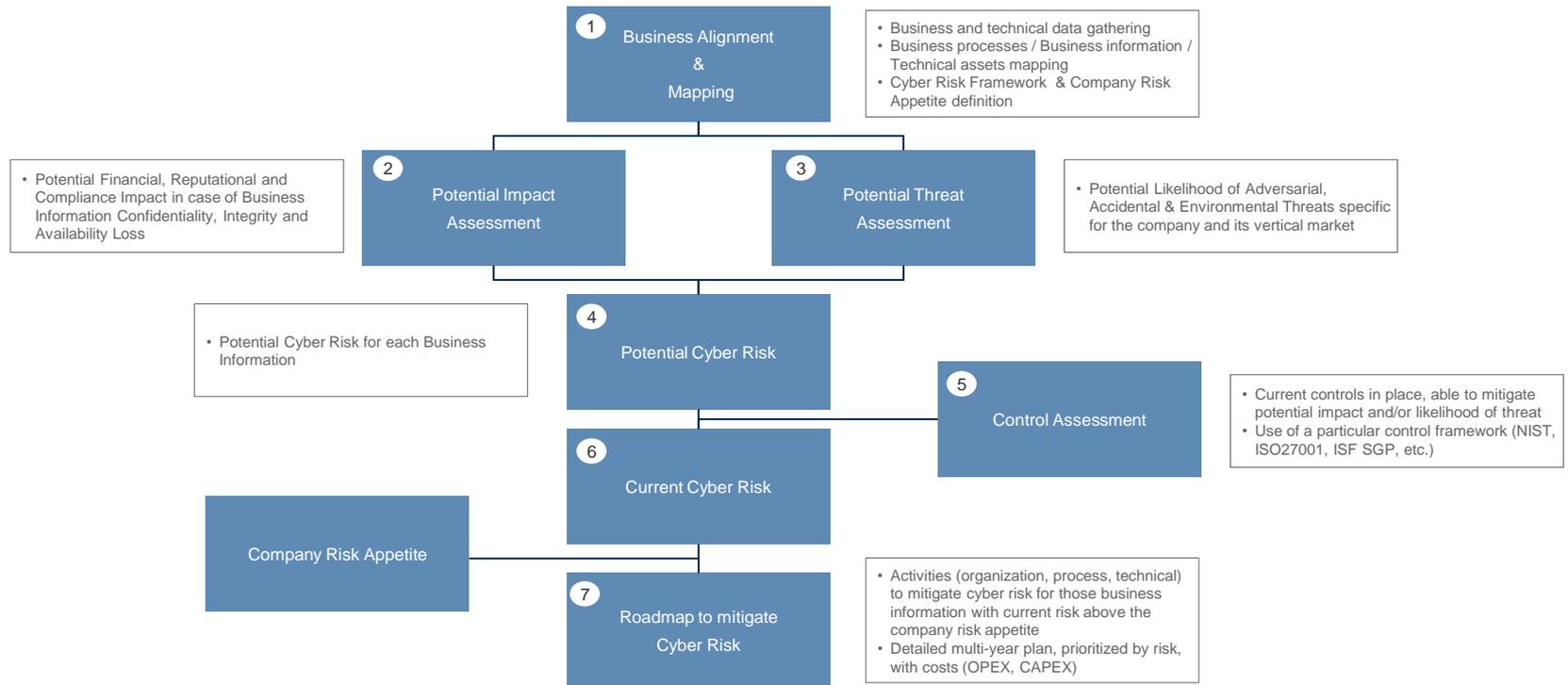
Determination of existing governance, policies, procedures and existing compliance measures to be shared with acquiring organisation in secure data room. Identification of areas likely requiring enhancement pre-transaction.

2. Transition Planning

Identification of shared/joint processes, procedures, third party suppliers, systems and employees requiring separation from selling organisation.

Cyber Risk Evaluation - Methodology

A detailed business risk-based approach to cyber is key for the Board of Directors to prioritize security investment by the reduction of the company risk



Cyber Risk Evaluation – Potential Risk

Obtaining Business Assets and Technical assets classification by potential risk (impact and likelihood of threats)

Business Process/Business Asset/Technical Asset Mapping

Business Process 1	Business Asset 1	Technical Asset 1
Business Process 1	Business Asset X	Technical Asset X
Business Process 2	Business Asset 1	Technical Asset 1

Potential Impact Assessment

Impact	Financial	Reputational	Compliance
High	Loss higher than €3 million	Long term (months) reputational impact, leading to clients relation deterioration, requiring market-wide corrective actions	Inability to meet regulatory or contractual requirements, exposing to severe fines (greater than €250,000)
Medium to High	Loss between €300,000 and €3 million	Medium term (up to one month) reputational impact, leading to clients relation deterioration requiring client-specific corrective actions	Potential exposure to legal actions by individuals
Medium to Low	Loss between €10,000 and €300,000	Short term (up to two weeks) reputational impact, leading to no client relation deterioration, even if clients are informed	Minor fines (between €25,000 and €100,000)
Low	Loss lower than €10,000	No reputational impact perceived internally or externally	No or limited (fines up to €25,000) compliance impact

Potential Threat Assessment

Threat Likelihood	Description
High	Event expected to occur more than 10 times a year
Medium-High	Event expected to occur between 1-10 times a year
Medium-Low	Event expected to occur more than once every 10 years
Low	Event expect to occur less than once every 10 years

Threat event type	Threat event	Likelihood value
Authentication attacks	Session hijacking; unauthorised access to legitimate authentication credentials; exploit vulnerable authorization mechanisms	High
Communications attacks	Unauthorised monitoring and/or modification of communications	Medium High
Denial of service	Conduct a denial of service (DoS) attack	Medium High
Information leakage	Exploit insecure disposal of an organisation's information assets	Low
Malware	Introduce malware to information systems	Medium Low
Misconfiguration	Exploit misconfigured information systems; exploit design or configuration issues in an organization's remote access service; exploit poorly-designed network architecture	Medium Low

	Potential impact in case of security incident								
	Confidentiality			Integrity			Availability		
	F	R	C	F	R	C	F	R	C
Business asset 1	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Green	Green	Yellow	Green	Green
Business asset 2	Green	Green	Green	Yellow	Red	Orange	Orange	Green	Orange
Business asset 3	Yellow	Yellow	Orange	Red	Red	Green	Red	Yellow	Orange
Business asset 4	Green	Red	Orange	Red	Green	Green	Orange	Orange	Yellow



Cyber Security Due Diligence

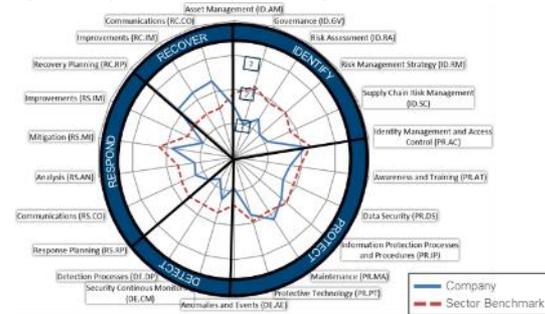
Evaluating the cyber posture of the target is now mandatory as the hidden costs/investments to have an acceptable level of cyber security could be significant

A&M's approach to due diligence is a NIST* based assessment of the company's cyber security posture, against a market benchmark, with prioritised recommendations and a quick win plan (with cost indicators).

Example output: Red flag report findings and recommendations

Area	Maturity	Key Findings	A&M Recommendation	Priority
Organization	🟡	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cyber security organization sits inside the IT department, with one dedicated person (CISO) Cyber security skills appear to be poor There is no budget specifically allocated to cyber security Third party cyber security management is well covered 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve the cyber security governance with clear roles & responsibilities Improve the cyber security organization by adding two dedicated security engineers Define a cyber security budget (c.10% of IT) 	High
Protection	🟡	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Basic level of protection i.e. VPN, Firewalls, Microsoft security solutions (Data loss prevention, defender threat protection, anti-virus, data encryption and Multi factor authentication) There is no anti-DDoS, anti-APT or application level firewall protection Some customers' information is on unstructured data (MS Excel) and the data does not seem to be clearly mapped 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement solutions for DDoS and APT Improve the current anti-malware solution Implement an Application Level Firewall Manage unstructured data 	Medium
Detection	🟡	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a basic level of monitoring, using a ticketing system to respond to possible attacks, however it relies on the automated firewall and intrusion detection alerts. There is no Security Operation Centre for continuous security monitoring / triage / assessment, hence it is likely that it is difficult to detect attacks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement a Security Operation Centre (external) to monitor and detect security events 	High
Response & Recovery	🟡	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The incident response team uses a response process based on the ticketing system, however, given the poor detection capability, the ability to effectively and efficiently respond to an attack is limited Recovery from an attack would also be difficult 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement a Cyber Incident Response Process 	High

Example output: Target's maturity score against sector benchmark



Example output: Prioritised cost to fix

Area	Initiative	Priority	Time to Implement	CAPEX	OPEX (yearly)
Organization	Cyber Governance (roles & responsibilities)	High	1 month	xx	xx
	Cyber Team (1-2 additional people)	Medium	1-3 months	xx	xx
	Cyber Security Budget	Medium	N/A	xx	xx
Technical	Manage unstructured data	Medium	3 months	xx	xx
	DDoS solution design and implementation	High	1 month	xx	xx
	APT solution design and implementation (*)	Medium	2 months	xx	xx
Process	Application Level Firewall design and implementation	High	2 months	xx	xx
	Cyber Incident Response Process definition	High	1 month	xx	xx
	SOC design and implementation (MSSP)	High	2 months	xx	xx

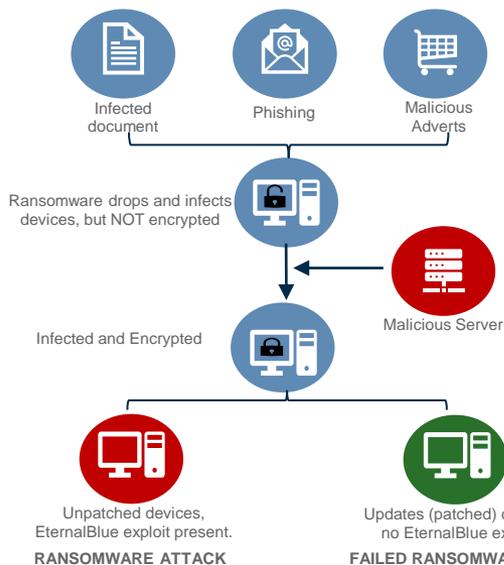


Duty of Care

The GDPR tried to embody this important principle*, and it continues to remain the most significant (of the eleven) criteria that regulators are asked to consider when assessing and setting fines following a breach

WANNACRY RANSOMWARE - HOLDING HEALTHCARE HOSTAGE

WannaCry (a worm-type self-propagating attack vector) targeted devices running Microsoft Windows OS, encrypting the data and requesting payment in Bitcoin in exchange for their return.



Microsoft had released a patched a month before the exploit occurred. Till date, a number of organisations have not applied the patch and systems continue to remain vulnerable to this exploit.

The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has estimated that WannaCry cost the NHS £92m in direct costs and lost output.

LESSONS LEARNT

Importance of a good cyber security posture including:

- Secure and regular backups
- Proactive cybersecurity software
- Patch management (up to date security patches)
- Isolating Sensitive systems
- Incident response protocols
- User training, awareness and education on 'think secure' measures

Senior Management should ask themselves when thinking about 'reasonable cyber oversight',

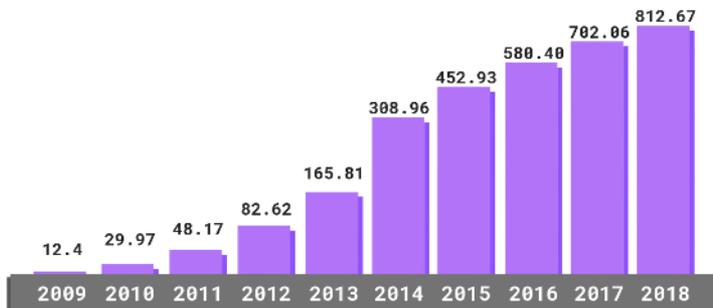
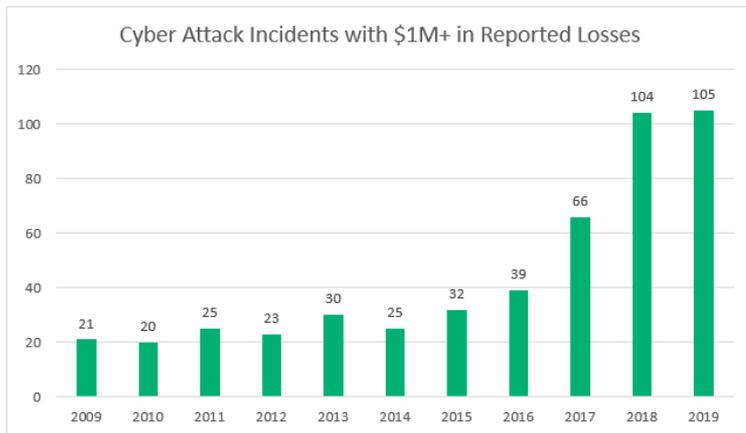
- ✓ *What will it take to fulfil the directors' duties of care, loyalty and duty to act on an informed basis?*
- ✓ *How does a board avoid creating systematic, sustained or otherwise negligent acts or omissions in how it performs oversight?*

Courts focus on the process used by the board to reach a decision, rather than the decision or outcome itself. In the context of cyber security, the existence of cyber red flags is not, in itself, an indication of director liability or ineffective oversight, but rather paints an emerging picture of the challenges facing the board; **how the board discharges that challenge, or its failure to do so, creates the breach to which personal liability may attach.**

Cyber security attack and spending trend

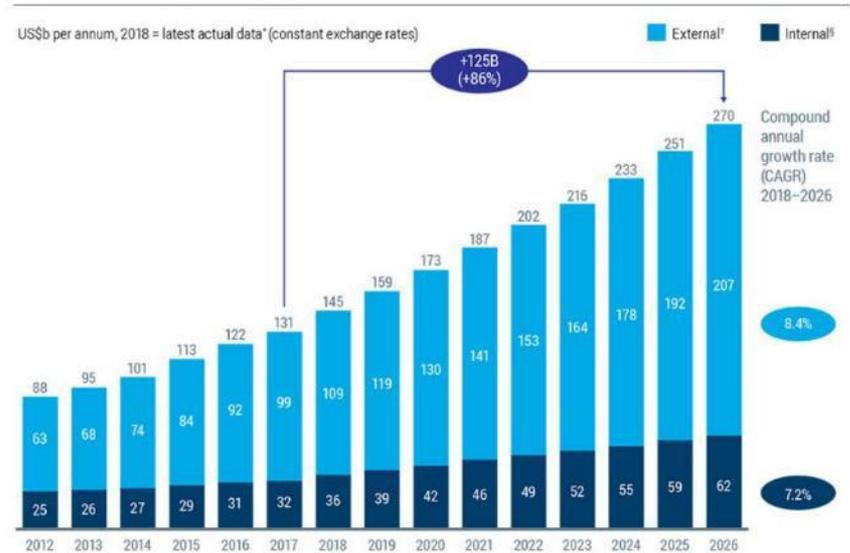
The exponential growth in cybersecurity attacks causing financial losses to businesses has led to increased cyber spending

Growth in Cyber Attacks



Total Malware Infection Growth Rate (In Millions)

Growth in global cyber security spend



* 2012-2016 data based on Gartner data as at 3Q16, 2017 and beyond based on Gartner data
 † External spend based on forecasts to 2023 provided by Gartner, extrapolated to 2026 using the average growth rates. Growth rates applied at the product segment level
 § Internal spend refers to the compensation of in-house full-time equivalent employees. Estimated based on Gartner data on global internal spending. Internal spend grows more slowly than external spend, linked to the increasing adoption of external managed security services
 SOURCE: Gartner; Australian Bureau of Statistics; Burning Glass; expert interviews; AlphaBeta and McKinsey analysis

A FINAL POLL



Is Cyber Security and Data Privacy represented in your corporate transaction risk management meetings?

- *Always*
- *Sometimes*
- *Never*
- *Don't know*
- *N/A*

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