# NIS2 Steppingstones to Compliance



INTERCONNECTING NETWORKS AND PEOPLE FOR OVER 25 YEARS



# **Agenda**





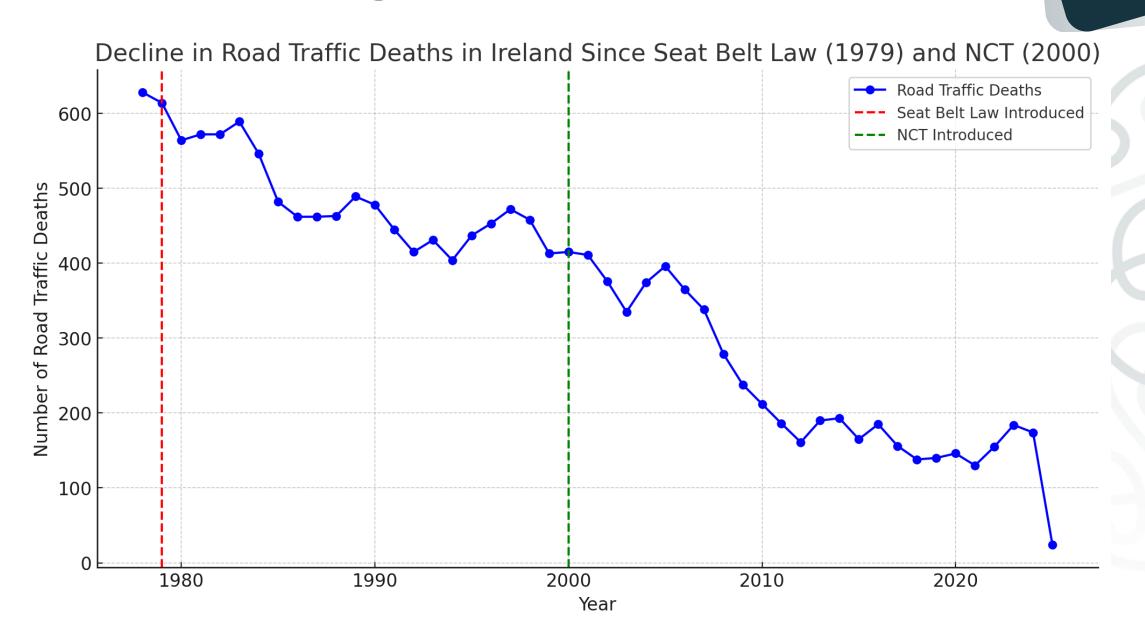
## **Cultural Shift**





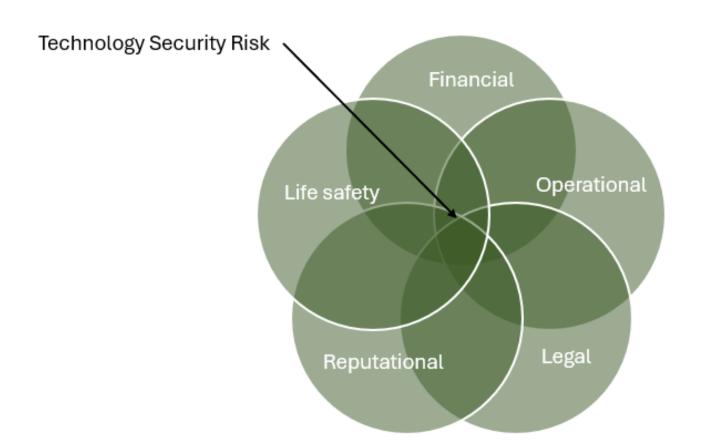
### **Benefits of Regulation**



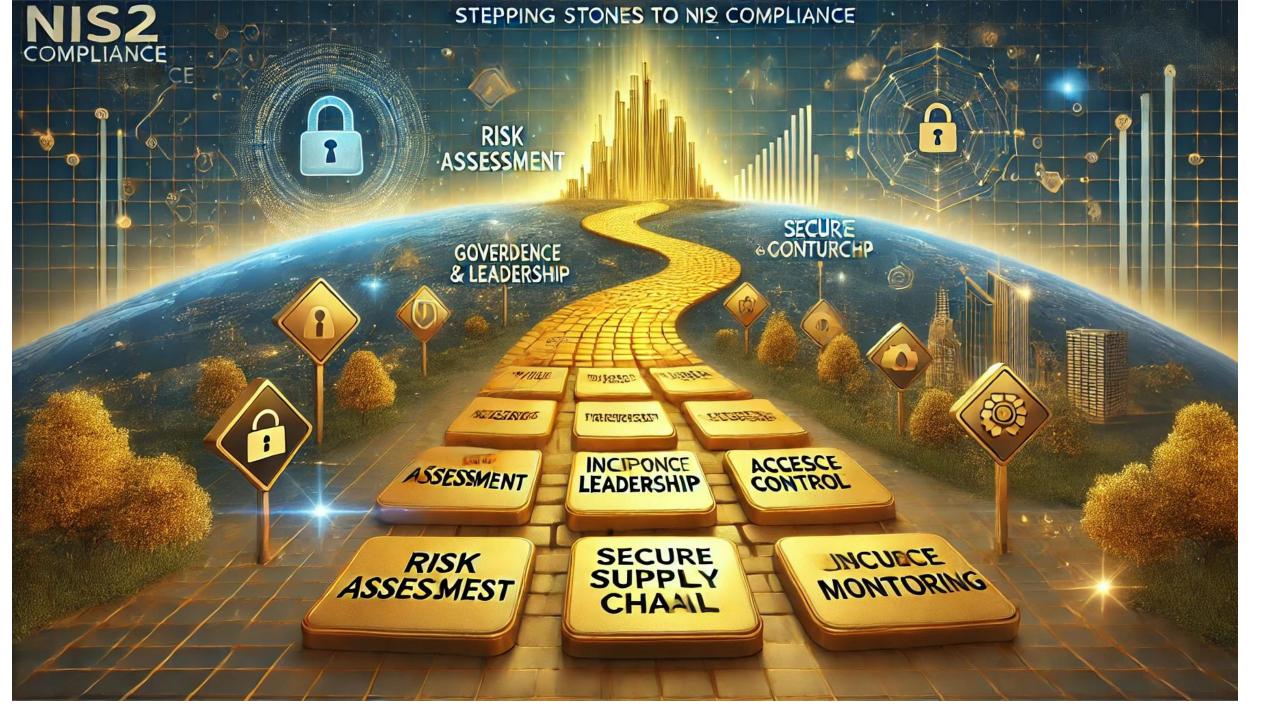


# Technology Risk - Is Business Risk - Is Societal Risk







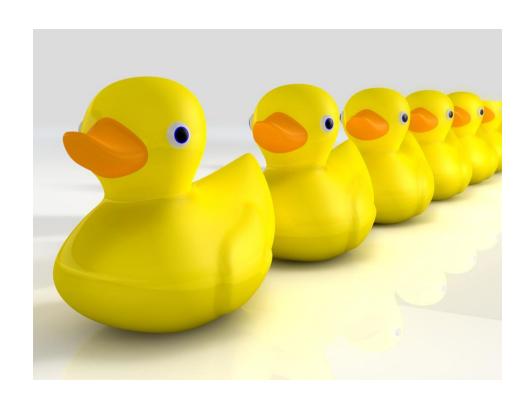




# Steppingstone #1 Cybersecurity Risk Management Governance

## **Two Types of Organisations**





- Formal Program in place
- Have been implementing some degree of security best practice
- Checking the "doers"



- Ad hoc approach
- Busy building/scaling the business with little focus on security.
- Limited Resources
- Doing good but not able to evidence

### **Cybersecurity Risk Management**





**Cybersecurity Risk Management A state of Mind – Not a State of Being** 



## **Steppingstones to Compliance**

- Determine are you a critical or important entity.
- Develop cybersecurity risk management strategy aligned with business requirements
- Adopt a recognised security risk management framework, e.g. ISO 27001, IEC 62443, NIST 800 CSF 2.0
- Establish a multi-year security management program or risk mitigation roadmap
- Define security management roles and responsibilities
- Designate and communicate your organizations' "Single Point of Contract or SPOC
- Establish cybersecurity risk management as standing Board/SLT agenda item
- Define security program metrics to facilitate risk reporting/oversight
- Educate your management team and users

## Be Authoritative in your Approach





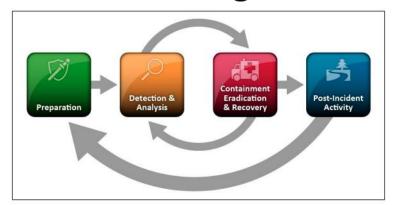
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ECSM 001	General
ECSM 002	Risk Management
ECSM 003	Physical and Environmental Security
ECSM 004	Training, Awareness and Personnel Security
ECSM 005	Network Management & Access Control
ECSM 006	Signalling Plane Security
ECSM 007	Virtualisation Security
ECSM 008	Network, Monitoring and Incident Response
ECSM 009	Supply Chain Security
ECSM 010	Diversity, Resilience & Continuity



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# Standards Based Approach Standards Based Ap

# **Computer Security Incident Handling Guide**





### **Evidence Based**



Defined security program

Risk Assessment

> Risk Treatment

Policies and procedure

IR/BCM/DR

Supplier Management

Assurance

## **Management Risk Oversight**

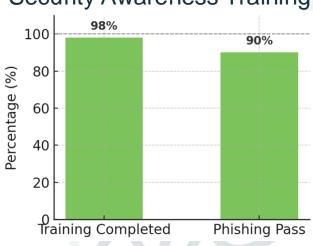




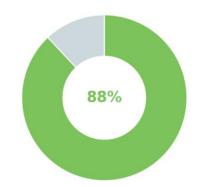
Service Availability



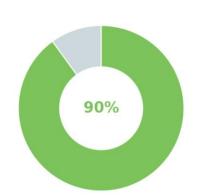
Security Awareness Training



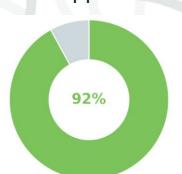
Security Assurance Testing % Approval



System Patching within SLA %



Security Policy % Approval





# Steppingstone # 2 Cybersecurity Risk Assessment

#### **Risk Assessment**

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#### **Principle of Proportionality**







#### **Balancing Point**

is unique to each organisation based on their size, complexity and risk profile



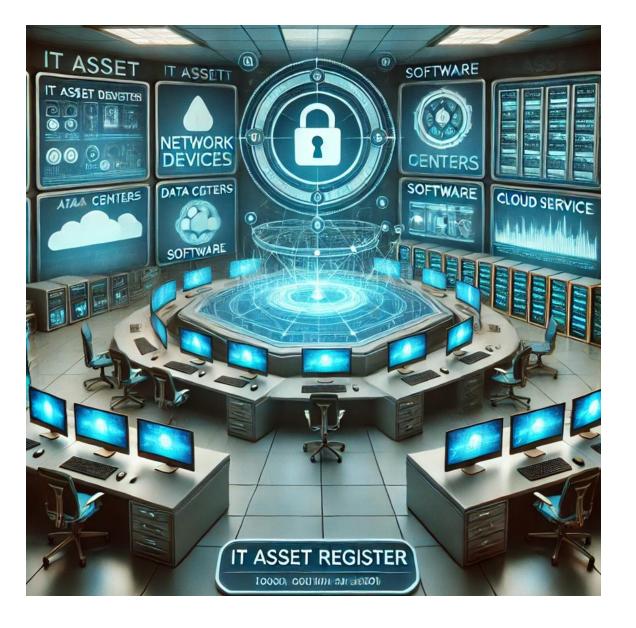
#### **Article 21- Cybersecurity Risk Management Measures**

When assessing the proportionality of those measures, due account shall be taken of the degree of the **entity's exposure to risks**, the **entity's size** and the **likelihood of occurrence** of incidents and their severity, including their **societal and economic impact**.

Risk Category	Remarks	Risk Appetite
Operational	H&S, IT, Continuity, staff retention	?
Financial	Loss of revenue, disruption loss of customers, financial sanction, incident recovery	?
Reputational	Brand damage, loss of customers	?
Regulatory	Legal risk	?
Societal	Impact on IRL Inc	?



#### What Do You Care Most About?

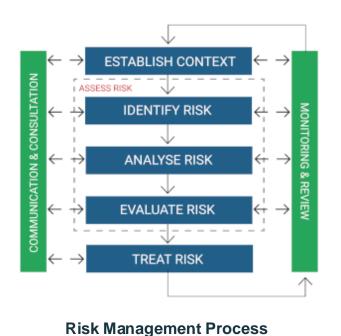




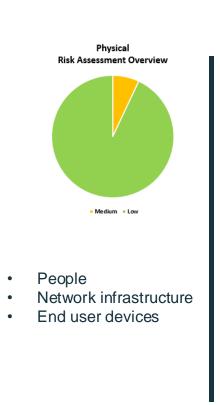
#### **Risk Assessment**

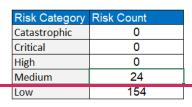
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Or in a nutshell-identifying what is important to your business and selecting controls to protect it!

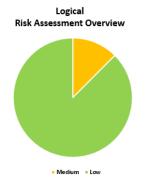


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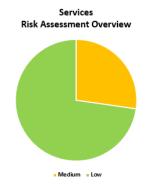








- Network configurations
- Member data
- Employee data
- Data on endpoints
- Web presence
- Resilience
- Data protection



- Data centers
- Dark fiber providers
- Network management
- Security advisory
- Legal
- Financial services



## **Steppingstones to Compliance**

- Develop a risk management policy. This should include a "risk acceptance statement- the level of risk the management team is willing to accept.
- Ensure it is approved by the Board/SLT.
- Identify your physical and logical assets and service providers which collectively support the delivery of important/critical services.
- Complete a risk assessment aligned with a recognised standard or approach, e.g. ISO 27005 or IEC 62443 3-2.
- Select controls from your chosen cybersecurity management framework to treat the risks identified.
- Upward reporting to support management oversight/accountability.



# **Steppingstone # 3**Risk Treatment/Mitigation











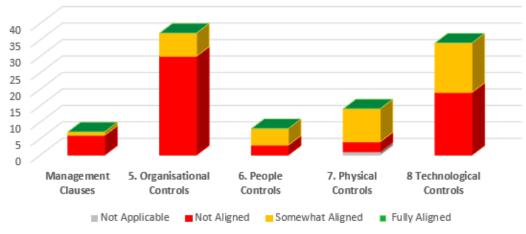


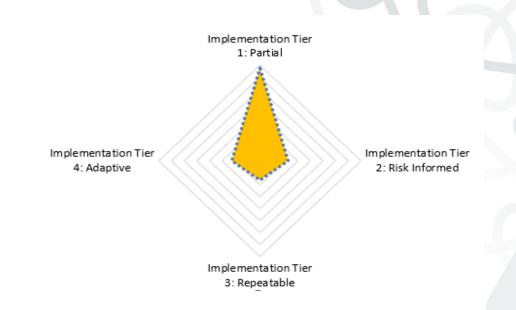


## **Gap Analysis- Typical Profile**



#### Overall - Alignment with ISO27001:2022





# Security Control Selection (Link to your Risk Assessment)



Such measures shall be based on an all-hazards approach that aims to protect the network and information systems and the physical environment of those systems from incidents, and must include at least the following:

- Risk analysis & information system security
   Incident handling
   Business continuity measures (back-ups, disaster recovery, crisis management)
   Supply Chain Security
- Security in system acquisition, development and maintenance, including vulnerability handling and disclosure
- Policies and procedures to assess the effectiveness of cybersecurity risk management measures
- Basic computer hygiene and trainings
- 8 Policies on appropriate use of cryptography and encryption
- 9 Human resources security, access control policies and asset management
- Use of multi-factor, secured voice/video/text comm & secured emergency communication

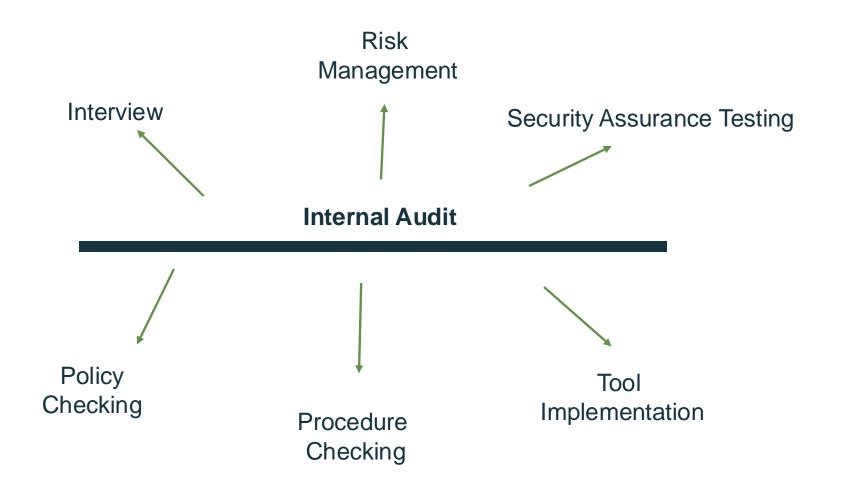


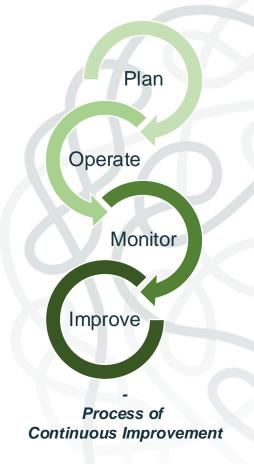
	Menu of Security Controls	
Mandatory	Risk Informed	-
<ul> <li>Context of the organisation</li> <li>Roles &amp; Responsibilities</li> <li>Leadership</li> <li>Risk assessment methodology</li> <li>Performance evaluation</li> <li>Improvement</li> </ul>	Organisational Controls  Competence Asset inventory Acceptable use Lifecycle management Access control Data classification Security in projects management	People Controls  Screening T&Cs of employment NDA's Remote working Incident reporting  Physical Controls
<ul> <li>End-user de</li> <li>PAM</li> <li>Access to s</li> <li>Secure autt</li> <li>Capacity m</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Information backup</li> <li>Ecure code</li> <li>Logging &amp; monitoring</li> <li>Threat intelligence</li> <li>Network security</li> <li>Web filtering</li> <li>Outsourced</li> <li>development</li> </ul>	Security perimeter     Entry controls     Physical security monitoring     Clear desk     Supporting utilities     Equipment disposal



## **Ongoing Improvement**











- Complete gap analysis against your chosen risk management framework to get an objective understanding of the current "state of the nation".
- Understand your security control gaps. These can be technical and/or administrative in nature.
- Select and implement appropriate technical security controls to secure your critical services. (See Steppingstone 2 - Risk Assessment)
- Document and implement security policies appropriate to your organisation size, complexity and risk profile.
- Monitor the effectiveness of control implementation.
- Implement process of continuous improvement



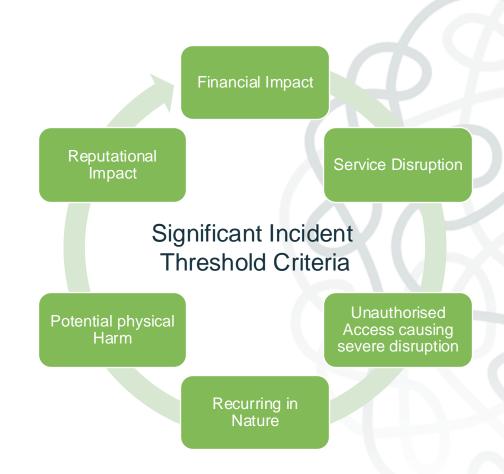
# Steppingstone # 4 Incident Response Management & Reporting





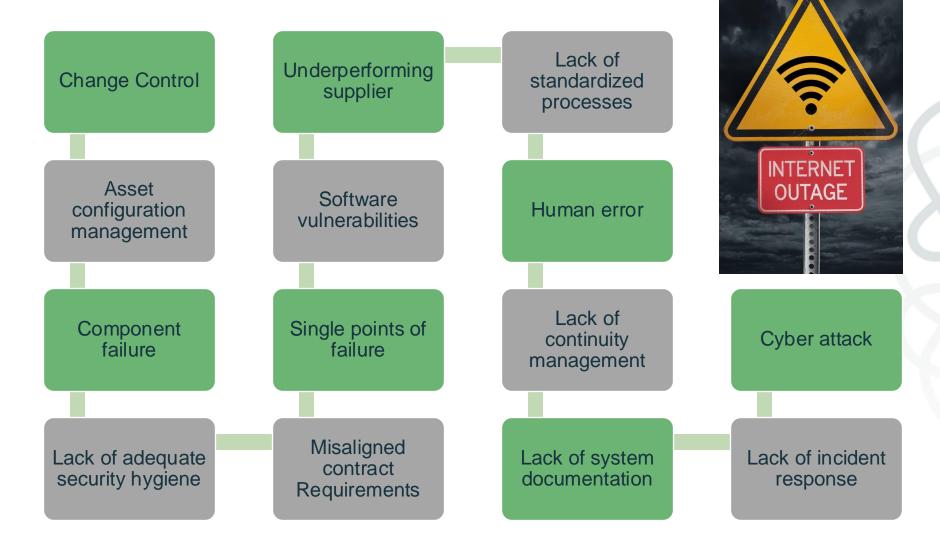
Any incident that has a significant impact on the provision of any service listed in the sectors or sub-sectors in annexes I and II of the law and which:

- has caused or is likely to cause severe operational disruption to any of the services provided in the sectors or sub-sectors listed in annex I and II or financial loss to the entity concerned; or
- has affected or is capable of affecting other natural or legal persons by causing considerable material, personal or nonmaterial damage."



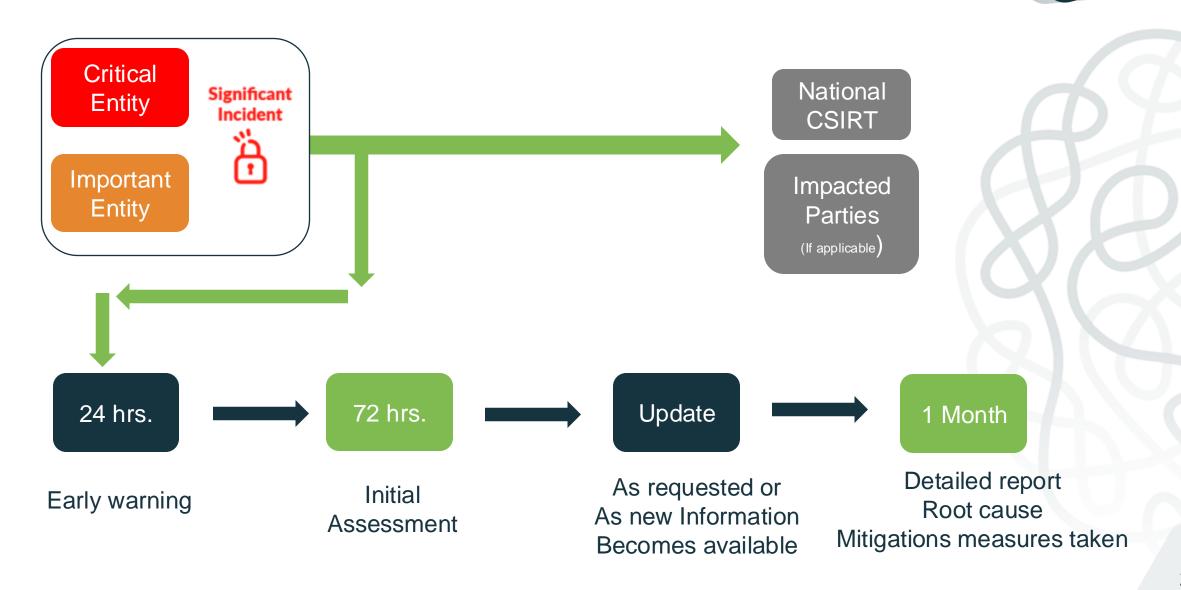








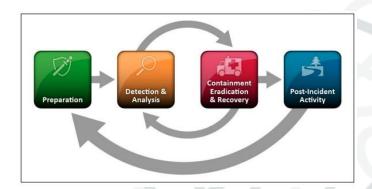




## **Steppingstones to Compliance**

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- Adopt a recognised incident management Framework
- Develop and implement an incident management policy and supporting incident management plans
- Define incident related roles and responsibilities, both technical and management level.
- Develop a significant incident classification procedure.
- Develop a significant incident reporting procedure.
- Maintain incident logs to record actions taken
- Maintain an incident register (recurring incident ID)
- Ensure lessons learned processes are completed and remediations tracked to completion.
- Develop Mandatory Vulnerability Disclosure Policy and procedure
- Don't forget GDPR!





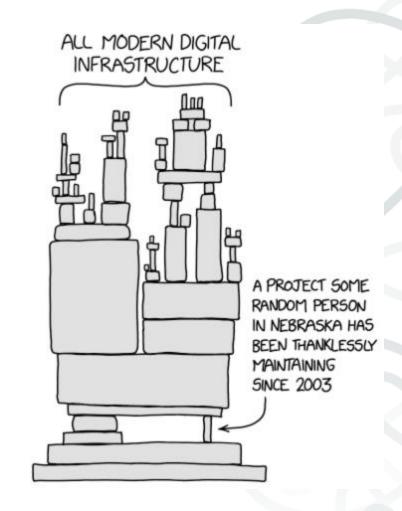


# Steppingstone # 5 Supply Chain Management



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- Map your suppliers, identify and evaluate direct and indirect suppliers.
- Risk assessment understand their criticality
- Classify each.
- Review supplier contracts to ensure accountability
- For Critical suppliers-
  - Complete security risk management due diligencemeasure suppliers' alignment with recognised standards
  - Risk based approach based on criticality of supplier
  - Ensure ongoing supervision supplier compliance
- Develop supplier incident reporting procedures
- Plan for business continuity
- Consider Cybersecurity requirements in projects



# In Summary Steppingstones to Compliance



Establish Governance (Own it) Complete Risk Assessment

(Understand what do you need to care about)

**Implement Risk Based Controls** 

(Protect what is important)

Incident Management

(Know how to Response)

Manage you Supply Chain

(Keep them Honest)

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Cybersecurity
risk management
Program



Time- Low Effort - Low



Time- High Effort - High

