



Executive Briefings and Awareness Sessions



Overview

The Executive Briefing and Awareness Session

Given the facts, the business focus and taxonomy must shift from an IT and security narrative to that of resiliency. The CEO, senior management and board must be asking if their business is prepared for and able to carry on business operations during and after a cyber crisis. To survive and even grow your business, an organisation must put cyber resiliency at the heart of its cyber and digital strategy.

Cyber Management Alliance's Executive Briefing and Awareness Session (EBAS) is specially designed for executive management, CEOs and boards of directors, engaging them in a business context to help explain the threats and risks from cyber-attacks, and providing them with simple, tactical and strategic steps to help improve their resilience to reputation-damaging cyber crises.



A cyber-crisis is often invisible and near impossible to detect in the early stages. In many cyber-attacks, by the time a business detects the attack it is often too late. The data has been stolen, the newspapers know about your attack, and your customers are worried about their personal data being in the hands of criminals.



Session Details

The Executive Briefing and Awareness Session is structured around key topics and based on our experience with clients from different sectors around the globe. However, it is flexible and can be tailored to the type of audience and business.

- The CEO and Board: we understand that time is a rare commodity for executives, like the CEO and board members. To that extent, the EBAS session lasts between 45 and 90 minutes.
- The Senior Executive: a typical EBAS session lasts between 2 and 3 hours, and includes one 15 minute break.

Preparation:

In almost every situation we recommend at least one pre-workshop, 2-hour preparation session to ensure that we have a good understanding of the purpose, requirements and key outcomes of the session.

During this session, we also aim to understand the attendees, their vision and objectives, and the unique challenges the business is facing in the current environment.

Target Audience

CEOs, Chairpersons	Business Unit/Division Heads
Legal Counsels	Directors/Heads of Sales & Marketing
HR Directors	CIOs & CTOs
Communications/PR Directors	Board members, Non-Executive Directors (NED)

Where the session needs to be tailored to bespoke requirements, we will work with the client to ensure the session meets their requirements.

Comparing our EBAS

	Executive Briefing & Awareness Session	Other awareness sessions
Non-technical, business focused	Yes	Not always
Delivered by a leading cyber and privacy practitioner	Yes	Not always
Highly engaging delivery tailored to the type of audience	Yes	No
Focuses on the business and sector-relevant challenges	Yes	No
One-to-one, private sessions	Yes	No
Delivered globally, across various sectors	Yes	-

EBAS - Workshop Structure

The Executive Briefing and Awareness Session structure is based on our experience with a broad range of clients from different sectors. This can be customised as per your requirements.

Time	Topic	Details
10:00	Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introductions - why we are here• Objectives and outcomes
10:15	Business Impact – Fact or Fiction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Providing a pragmatic fact-based insight into the real and present threat from cyber-attacks• Case studies – non-technical analysis of the business impact of attacks
10:45	Threats & Risks: The Agents of Chaos	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discuss the importance of threat actors, their motivation and the role of threat actors in scenario planning and risk management
11:10	Threats & Risks: The Protection Fallacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discuss and propose a better way than simply focusing on protect
11:30	Threats & Risks: The Privileged User	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Insights and examples into the importance and relevance of privileges, and users with privileges
12:00	Threats & Risks: The Golden Hour	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The relevance and significance of the Golden Hour and critical insights into what you can do to increase your chances of managing a crisis with little negative impact
12:30	What Would You Do?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• An interactive “What Would You Do?” session based on one or more attack scenarios
12:45	Takeaways & Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A summary of what the business must focus on to improve its cyber resilience and overall maturity
13:00	Close & FAQ	

Learning Objectives

- List key benefits of focusing on cyber resilience.
- Describe the simple steps and strategies a business can introduce to improve organisational cyber resilience, speed of detection and speed of response.
- Discuss the importance of privileges and credentials, and their role in maturing an organisation's cyber security and resiliency posture.
- Explain the business impact of cyber-attacks on under-prepared organisations.
- Discuss the importance of knowing about business-specific threat actors and their motives, and its importance in cyber risk management.
- Explain the importance of visibility and the key strategies to ensure an organisation is better prepared for the Golden Hour.


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Exec cyber briefings rollout

A series of cyber workshops for L1 and L2 executives began on in late February and will run until mid-June. In total there are 11 workshops planned with over 150 people invited to attend.

supported by management, behavioural and cultural changes. So far, the feedback has been very good. 94 execs have already booked places and the remainder are being followed up to ensure we reach all senior executives at Capita. The briefings are being led by Amar Singh, recognised globally as a leading risk management and data privacy expert.



Amar Singh, CISO
and Founder Cyber
Management Alliance,
in action.

Lead Practitioner & Trainer

Amar Singh – Founder of Cyber Management Alliance Ltd, leading Global Cyber Security Executive and Lead Consultant



Amar is a GCHQ-Certified trainer, industry influencer and is recognised globally as a leading risk management and data privacy professional. Organisations worldwide seek his input and thought leadership on matters related to cybersecurity and data privacy. Amar is regularly invited to speak internationally and deliver bespoke cyber resiliency workshops, executive and board briefings.

- Trusted advisor to police forces, financial institutions, hedge funds, banks, publishing houses, insurance companies, the NHS, housing associations and telecoms.
- Held Chief Information Security Officer positions at numerous organisations including Elsevier, News International, SABMiller, Gala Coral, Euromoney Institutional Investor and the BMJ Publishing Group.
- UK Government's GCHQ-Certified trainer and creator of IISP Accredited & GCHQ-Certified Cyber Incident Planning & Response Course (CIPR).
- Mentor to CISOs. Author, writer, industry speaker and presenter, guest lecturer at multiple universities and Chair of ISACA UK Security Advisory Group.
- Author and creator of UK Government-approved training course (CSPE).
- Author and creator of the Cyber Incident Planning & Response Workshop (CIPR).
- Author and creator of the Anatomy of Cyber Threats & Attacks Workshop for Security Analysts.
- (Former) judge for SC Magazine Awards & former Chair of ISACA's Security Advisory Group.