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CISO FSI Singapore 22nd APRIL 2025 TUESDAY	
08:30	<i>Register; grab a coffee. Mix, mingle and say hello to peers old and new.</i>
8:50	<p>Welcoming Remarks by Corinium and Chair's Opening Remarks</p> <p>Scott Flower Co-Founder CI-ISAC</p> <p><u>Corinium Representative:</u> Kashmira George, Senior Conference Producer, Corinium Global Intelligence</p>
9:00	<p>Speed Networking – Making new connections at CISO FSI Singapore!</p> <p>During this 10-minute networking session, the aim of the game is to go and meet three people you don't already know. Use the questions on the screen to guide your conversation. Have fun!</p>
09:10	<p>Opening Keynote Hacking the Digital Storm: Solving the Bad Actor Equation of 5G+IOT+ AI + Quantum Computing and beyond in the FSI Arena</p> <p>With the rapidly changing and often turbulent landscape of the digital world, the combination of multiple bad actors has led to a higher complexity of digital risks especially within the financial sector. The amalgamation of 5G high speed connectivity, AI, IOT and quantum computing have exposed new vulnerabilities in the industry, mine rich in two things that influence the way the world turns – money and data.</p> <p>Join us for a comprehensive deep dive into the digital storm, balancing the agility needed to combat this emerging threat.</p> <p>Ts. Prasad Jayabalan Head of Cybersecurity Strategy and Architecture Axiata Group</p>
09:35	<p>Empower Your Customers Against Modern Frauds</p> <p>Economic frauds are rising day by day and so is the sophistication in the way, they are being executed. We, at Thales, have been helping our customers and partners to protect themselves against these frauds. Join the session to learn more.</p> <p>Veneet Sharma APAC Sales Director (Identity & Access Management (IAM) Thales</p>
10:00	<p>Panel Discussion Cultivating a Culture of CISO Collaboration for Tactical Offensive Strategies</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shifting from reactive to proactive offensive tactics by leveraging shared and coordinated efforts amongst CISOs across industries • Breaking the silos to foster cross-industry cyber-collaboration • Creating community and united front to maintain cybersecurity as a 'shared responsibility <p><u>Moderator</u> Jenny Tan Immediate Past President ISACA Singapore Chapter</p> <p><u>Panellists</u> Ts. Prasad Jayabalan Head of Cybersecurity Strategy and Architecture Axiata Group Frankie Shuai APAC CISO Global Asset Management Organization Henry Ong Senior Manager of Security Engineering – APJ Tenable</p>
10:35	<p>AI in Financial Services - Balancing Innovation, Speed, Security</p> <p>In today's fast-paced financial service industry, AI adoption is transforming how we operate, bringing both innovation and risk. As departments implement AI solutions without governance Shadow AI emerges. In this talk, we'll explore the challenges striking a balance between speed and security, managing Shadow AI, and the emotional responses individuals and organization face when navigating technological change.</p> <p>Join us to discover strategies for combatting Shadow AI while driving innovation and learn how industry standards and future AI advancements will shape the next phase of adoption.</p> <p>Erik Gaston VP & CIO, Global Executive Engagement Tanium</p>
11:00	<p>Coffee and Connect</p>
11:30	<p>Cybersecurity 360: Governance, Process, and People</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proactive vs Reactive Security: Which Approach Best Protects Against Vulnerabilities? • Beyond Compliance: Policy Driven vs Paper Exercise • Security: A Business Accelerator or a Roadblock? Striking the Right Balance for Financial Institutions • Turning Awareness into Action: Leveraging Automation for Stronger Cybersecurity <p>Hoi Wai Khin Partner/Chief Information Security Officer RSM Singapore</p>
11:55	<p>Exploitable Vulnerabilities are Out of Control. What do CISOs need to do?</p> <p>Traditional vulnerability management approaches often fail due to slow remediation cycles, fragmented toolsets, and a lack of real-time visibility across endpoints. The result? A growing backlog of exploitable vulnerabilities that threat actors are ready to weaponize. In this session, we'll explore:</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why patching delays are leaving financial institutions exposed and how attackers exploit this gap. • How real-time visibility into every endpoint is critical for proactive security and compliance. • The role of prioritized remediation in reducing risk without disrupting business operations. • Why a unified approach to vulnerability remediation and compliance is the key to staying ahead of threats. <p>Saranga Rajan AVP & Head of Banking & Financial Services, APJ (HCL BigFix) HCLSoftware</p>		
12:20	<p>Regulatory Race – Blockchain and Crypto Security in Fintech Ecosystems</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Latest regulatory issues in crypto, custody and safeguarding of customer assets • Dive into trending cyber threats, crime and anatomy of cyber attacks • Securing the customer assets against cyber attacks <p>Pasi Koistinen CISO Coinhako</p>		
12:45	<p>Lunch and Networking</p> <p><i>Private Luncheon hosted by Tanium (Invite Only)</i></p>		
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	<p>Hardik Thaker Executive Director – Cybersecurity Singapore’s Leading Digital Bank</p>	<p>Sourabh Chitrachar Regional VP (APAC) – Technology Strategy & Ops Liberty International Insurance APAC Retail</p>
14:10	<p>The Silent Threat to Financial Innovation—Why Your DevSecOps Toolchain Could Be Your Next Security Crisis</p> <p>As financial institutions race to embrace AI and combat increasingly sophisticated cyber threats, there's a critical vulnerability hiding in plain sight: the fragmenting DevSecOps toolchain itself. This isn't just another tool consolidation story – it's a wake-up call about how the very infrastructure meant to secure our financial systems might be our biggest vulnerability. Discover how leading FSIs are unifying fragmented toolchains into a transformative AI-powered platform:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How disconnected security tools and inconsistent entitlement models create hidden vulnerabilities in your delivery pipeline • Why traditional multi-tool DevSecOps approaches are incompatible with modern AI-driven security requirements • How platform consolidation enables faster deployments while strengthening their security controls • Practical strategies for unifying security governance across the entire software delivery lifecycle <p>Josh Carroll Field CTO GitLab</p>	<p>If you’re Serious about Improving Resilience - then Segmentation is Essential</p> <p>The Financial Services industry is firmly putting enhancing cyber resilience at the heart of regulations and guidelines being rolled out globally. Examples include the MAS Technology and Risk Management Guidelines, EU DORA and Japan FSA Cybersecurity Guidelines. All of these accept the inevitability of cyber-attacks, and prioritise the ability to contain their impact, something that segmentation is essential for. In this session you will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand why prevention is becoming economically unviable and containment is realistic • See how a Zero Trust strategy delivers better resilience • Learn why segmentation is the key capability that makes this possible <p>Ivan Lee Senior Systems Engineer Illumio</p>
14:35	<p>Fireside Chat</p> <p>Cyber Insurance: Lighting the Path of End User Needs vs Reality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore how higher maturity levels in cybersecurity frameworks are influencing underwriting decisions and how insurers and banks can align their risk management 	<p>AI Driven Security: Fraud Prevention and Real Time Protection for Digital Wallets.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore how AI and machine learning can enhance detection accuracy, reduce false positives, and improve overall efficiency in identifying suspicious transactions

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	<p>strategies to meet market demands</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examine how banks assess and mitigate cybersecurity risks through tailored insurance products, balancing coverage and cost • Discuss the growing importance of cybersecurity insurance in the banking sector as a key component of risk management strategies <p>Moderator Zhou Zhihao Vice President ISC2 Singapore Chapter</p> <p>Panellists Kok Yew Toh Vice President Audit and Regulatory Nomura</p> <p>Andrew Mahoney Head of Financial Institutions, Financial Services & Professions Group - Asia AON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examining how AI can monitor high-volume, low-value transactions in real time, especially in digital wallets and cryptocurrency platforms • Discovering potential challenges in integrating AI into existing legacy AML and fraud systems within financial institutions <p>Varun Srivastava APAC Head - Cyber Security Operations Major Banking Corporation</p>
15:00	<p>APAC Case Studies: Safely Integrating AI into Business Ops and SDLC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior to starting the AI pilots, how APAC FSIs are conducting detailed threat modelling assignments. • Best practices in LLM code security and establishing a SBOM (Software Bill of Materials) of the LLM packages being deployed. • Reviewing cloud landing zone configurations and endpoint security controls to ensure proper monitoring of LLM model installations for malicious activity • How APAC BFSI organisations are already automating security and their use of LLMs in agile software development <p>Phillip Ivancic Head of APAC Solutions Black Duck</p>	<p>Securing Sensitive Financial Data in the Cloud: Navigating the Surge in Public Cloud Adoption</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emphasizing the importance of zero-trust security models and continuous monitoring to strengthen security across public cloud environments • Exploring effective response strategies for cloud-based disaster recovery • Ensuring business continuity in the face of security breaches and data loss within cloud environments • Navigating governance and compliance with MAS Cloud Advisory 'Circular No. MAS/TCRS/2021/03' <p>Wing Churn Leong Cloud Solution Specialist - APJ Tenable</p>

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15:25	<p>Panel Discussion</p> <p>CISOs on the Frontline: Increasing Awareness and Building Security</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Addressing challenges in digital currencies and cross-border transactions with next-generation technologies. • Lead strategies that combat sophisticated threats within banking • Discussing the central role of CISOs in shaping an organizational approach and fraud prevention <p>Moderator Tobias Klingel Head of Information Security Aspire App</p> <p>Panellists Shebani Baweja CISO, Consumer, Private, Wealth & Business Banking Standard Chartered</p> <p>Dr. Kawin Boonyapreddee Chief Strategy Officer – APAC, Applied Quantum</p> <p>Picklu Paul Senior Engineering Leader - Cybersecurity Grab</p>	<p>Scaling Security: Tackling Cybersecurity Challenges and Compliance for FSIs in the SME Space</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore strategies to address limited budgets, talent shortages, and rising cyber threats in financial services. • Practical tips for meeting stringent regulations without overextending resources. • Leverage partnerships, affordable tech, and a security-first culture to stay competitive. <p>Ken Chew Chief Technology Officer OxPay Financial Limited</p>
15:45	Coffee and Connect	
16:15	<p>Panel Discussion</p> <p>CISO Leadership: Navigating the Talent Crisis of Cyber-Fintech Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proactively closing the gap between traditional cyber-training programs and FSI specific needs such as forensic capabilities and threat intelligence • Driving hardline initiatives to appeal cybersecurity roles to professionals while training current employees to meet new challenges • Dissolving present challenges with new investments in technology and education for organisational and academic transformation <p>Moderator Neha Agarwal Vice-President, Technology Audit Citi</p> <p>Panellists Jannem Yong Senior Vice President, Head of IT Security SBI Digital Markets Abbas Kudrati Chief Identity Security Advisor – APAC Silverfort</p>	

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	<p>Anshul Johri Group CTO Validus Sourabh Chitrachar Regional VP (APAC) – Technology Strategy & Ops Liberty International Insurance APAC Retail</p>
16:50	<p>Case Study</p> <p>AI, Accountability, and the Supply Chain: Cybersecurity as a Shared Responsibility</p> <p>As financial institutions deepen their reliance on third-party ecosystems and AI-driven tools, cybersecurity and compliance become shared imperatives. In this session, hear from Agridence, a partner in the Google AI Trailblazer program, on how they're applying GenAI to enhance transparency, manage cyber risks, and build trust across global agri-commodity supply chains. The conversation offers timely insights for FSI leaders navigating AI adoption, data integrity, and ecosystem resilience.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lessons from building traceability platforms for critical supply chains — and how shared accountability can be applied to FSI ecosystems. • Steps to design AI systems that align with regulatory expectations and reduce the risk of hallucination, data drift, or misuse. • What happens when your system drops your data? Why resilience, redundancy, and visibility must be core to AI-powered environments. <p>Abhishek Mishra Head of Technology Agridence</p>
17:15	Chair Closing Remarks
17:20	<p>Cheers with Peers</p> <p><i>Join us for a time of networking and drinks!</i></p>
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