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CISO UK

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If you lead security in a complex, fast-moving enterprise, this is your room, filled with CISOs and security leaders navigating the same pressures, risks, and expectations you are.

This event brings together senior security leaders for a day focused on real-world experience, peer insight, and practical decision-making.

Together we'll discuss:

- The threats UK CISOs are facing right now, from identity abuse and AI-enabled fraud to evolving attacker tactics
- Securing cloud and multi-cloud environments while managing data sovereignty and inconsistent ownership across teams
- Using AI to reduce SecOps noise and analyst burnout without introducing new risk
- The insider, cultural, and organisational challenges security leaders rarely discuss openly
- What resilience really looks like when prevention alone is no longer enough

This isn't another event filled with long lectures and surface-level panels.

Instead, the day is designed around interactive discussions and peer exchange, giving you practical insights and honest conversations with leaders facing the same challenges.

Because this isn't about hearing more voices.

It's about hearing the right ones.

A room designed for security leaders who want clarity, candour, and a community that understands the realities of the role.

## **CISO UK AGENDA**

### **Confirmed:**

Mike Chilvers, Deputy Chief Information Security Officer, **ELANCO**

Johann van Duyn, Global Chief Information Security Officer, **DO & CO AG**

Dr. Dipesh Hindocha, Chief Medical Information Officer, **HCA HEALTHCARE UK**

Professor Dan Haagman, Chief Information Security Officer Global Study, **CHALEIT**

Matt Cockbill, Partner, **ODGERS**

Kirsty Kelly, Group Chief Information Security Officer, **CFC INTERNATIONAL**

Jason Grange, Chief Information Security Officer, **HCRG CARE GROUP**

Jean Carlos, Group Head of Information Security, **NOMAD FOODS LTD.**

Toyin Makinde, Senior Manager, Information Security, **THE COCA-COLA COMPANY**

Jane Frankland MBE, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, **KNEWSTART**

Kerry Brine, Senior Director Information Security Assurance & Governance, **LKQ**

Gaynor Rich, Chief Information Security Officer, **CAPITA (PENSIONS)**

Sam Taylor, Chief Information Security Officer & Project Manager, **ENFINIUM**

Wisdom Aveh, Head of Information Security, Data Protection Officer, **KURT GEIGER**

Mark Westgate, Global Manager, Continuous Threat & Exposure Management, **JUST EAT TAKEAWAY.COM**

Dr. Puneet Kaur Kohli, Chief Technology Information Officer, **GENERALI CENTRAL LIFE INSURANCE**

Glen Hymers, Deputy Director, Cyber & Information Security (CISO), **CABINET OFFICE**

### **Tentative:**

Kirsty Mason, Chief Information Security officer, **BENTLEY MOTORS**

Scott Lennox, Chief Information Security Officer, **ENVISION ENERGY**

Azeem Bashir, Group Chief Information Security Officer, **APEX GROUP LTD**

Mike Gauterin, Chief Customer & Technology Officer, **UNITED UTILITIES**

Asad Bukhari, Chief Information Officer, **PAKISTAN INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES**

Brian Backenborough, Chief Information Security Officer, **CHANNEL 4**

Chris Denbigh-Wright, Chief Information Security Officer, **PAYPAL**

Paul Watts, Chief Information Security Officer, **KEYWORDS STUDIOS**

Luke Beeson, Group Chief Information Security Officer, **CAPITA (PENSIONS)**

Jay O'Sullivan, Chief Information Officer, **HSBC**

Robin Lennon, Vice President, AI Security & Governance, **DWS GROUP**

Linda Thielova, Global Data Privacy Director, **CUSHMAN & WAKEFIELD**

## AGENDA

8:00	<b>Registration &amp; Networking</b>
8:45	<b>Opening Remarks</b> Professor Dan Haagman, Chief Information Security Officer Global Study, <b>CHALEIT</b>
8:55	<b>Speed Networking + Burning Questions</b>
9:00	<b>OPENING PANEL: 2026 Threat Reality Check: What Actually Keeps UK CISOs Awake?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Insights into the latest threat intelligence from the National Cyber Security Centre and industry reports</li> <li>• How attacker tactics are evolving with AI and automation</li> <li>• Strengthening Governance, Risk &amp; Compliance (GRC) to align cyber risk with business strategy and regulatory expectations</li> </ul>
9:30	<b>FIRESIDE CHAT: Leadership Blind Spots &amp; Why Organisations Fail</b> Many organisations don't fail due to a lack of security tools, but because of leadership blind spots, where executives underestimate risk, misalign priorities, or treat cybersecurity as a technical issue rather than a core business responsibility. Addressing these gaps requires stronger executive awareness, accountability, and a culture that integrates security into strategic decision-making. Jane Frankland MBE, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, <b>KNEWSTART</b>
10:00	<b>KEYNOTE: Driving Security Culture Across Complex Stakeholder Ecosystems</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How to align incentives and accountability across executives, business units, and third parties to ensure shared ownership of cyber risk</li> <li>• Exploring how to influence beyond authority to shift behaviours and engage stakeholders without relying on mandates</li> <li>• What it takes to embed security into business operations, moving from policy-driven compliance to everyday secure decision-making</li> </ul> Glen Hymers, Deputy Director, Cyber & Information Security (CISO), <b>CABINET OFFICE</b>
10:20	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION: The One Breach That Changes Everything</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exploring real UK breach case studies and leadership lessons</li> <li>• How to prepare executives for crisis decision-making</li> <li>• What separates resilient organisations from reactive ones</li> </ul> Wisdom Aveh, Head of Information Security, Data Protection Officer, <b>KURT GEIGER</b>
10:50	<b>Morning Break</b>
11:20	<b>Spotlight Session: RESERVED FOR CRIBL</b>
11:35	<b>PRESENTATION: AI-Powered Attacks Are Already Here</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exploring how attackers use generative AI and deepfakes</li> <li>• How to adapt detection for AI-driven phishing and fraud</li> <li>• What defensive AI actually delivers in real SOC environments</li> </ul> <b>Frank Teruel, COO, ARKOSE LABS</b>
11:55	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION: Beyond Compliance: Proving You're Actually Secure</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How to move from checkbox audits to control validation</li> <li>• Insights into regulator expectations vs reality</li> <li>• What measurable resilience really looks like</li> </ul> Wisdom Aveh, Head of Information Security, Data Protection Officer, <b>KURT GEIGER</b>

	Mark Westgate, Global Manager, Continuous Threat & Exposure Management, <b>JUST EAT TAKEAWAY.COM</b>
12:25	<p><b>PRESENTATION: From Policy to Pipelines: Rebuilding Cyber Teams for an AI-Driven World</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building an engineering-first security function: shifting from reactive defence to proactive, product-led security</li> <li>• The DevSecOps dial: structuring teams, embedding security into development pipelines, and hiring for the right blend of engineering and security skills</li> <li>• GRC as engineering: moving to compliance-as-code and creating a holistic, real-time view of organisational risk and security posture</li> <li>• Leveraging AI in security: understanding how attackers are using AI, and how security teams can operationalise it to enhance detection, response, and efficiency</li> </ul> <p>Mike Chilvers, Deputy Chief Information Security Officer, <b>ELANCO</b></p>
12:45	<b>Discussion Group with Securonix</b>
1:30	<b>Lunch</b>
2:30	<p><b>KEYNOTE: From Security Leader to Business Risk Leader</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How to translate cyber risk into financial impact</li> <li>• Insights into what UK boards actually expect from CISOs</li> <li>• What makes a CISO credible at executive committee level</li> </ul> <p>Kirsty Kelly, Group Chief Information Security Officer, <b>CFC INTERNATIONAL</b></p>
2:50	<p><b>FIRESIDE CHAT: Securing Innovation Without Slowing It Down</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Navigating the tension between rapid innovation (AI, digital transformation) and cyber risk management</li> <li>• How CISOs and business leaders align on priorities without stifling progress</li> <li>• AI governance vs innovation: how organisations can safely adopt transformative technologies</li> <li>• Delivering change at scale: when security becomes a critical enabler of transformation</li> <li>• Why tension between security and innovation is necessary, and how to manage it effectively</li> </ul> <p>Dr. Dipesh Hindocha, Chief Medical Information Officer, <b>HCA HEALTHCARE UK</b></p>
3:15	<p><b>PANEL DISCUSSION: The Insider Risk Nobody Wants to Discuss</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How to detect behavioural anomalies ethically</li> <li>• Insights into cultural and HR collaboration</li> <li>• Exploring privacy vs monitoring trade-offs</li> </ul> <p>Sam Taylor, Chief Information Security Officer &amp; Project Manager, <b>ENFINIUM</b></p>
3:45	<b>Afternoon Break</b>
4:15	<p><b>EXPERT ASK ME ANYTHING: If Attackers Were Your Product Team</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How adversaries innovate faster than defenders</li> <li>• Insights into attacker ROI thinking</li> <li>• What defensive teams can learn from them</li> </ul>
4:35	<p><b>PANEL DISCUSSION: What the Next Five Years Will Break – And What the Board Expects Next</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shifting from technical expert to business risk leader: framing cyber in terms of revenue, operations, and enterprise risk</li> <li>• Earning board trust and buy-in: communicating clearly, influencing decisions, and aligning with executive priorities</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enabling the business, not blocking it: supporting innovation (AI, cloud, digital) while managing risk pragmatically</li> <li>• Owning resilience and accountability: ensuring the organisation can respond, recover, and maintain stakeholder trust</li> <li>• The evolving CISO role: from technical leader to strategic business partner</li> </ul> <p>Matt Cockbill, Partner, <b>ODGERS</b>  Johann van Duyn, Global Chief Information Security Officer, <b>DO &amp; CO AG</b>  Sam Taylor, Chief Information Security Officer &amp; Project Manager, <b>ENFINIUM</b></p>
5:05	<b>Chair's Closing Remarks</b>
5:05	<b>Networking Reception</b>
6:05	<b>End of Conference</b>