



# Cyber New Zealand Showcase 2023

Strategic Cyber Leadership for Government: Developing Resilience, Transforming Culture, Driving Capability

**Thursday, 9 November 2023**

TSB Arena & Auditorium (Shed 6), Wellington

## Agenda at a Glance

As cyber threats continue to grow in sophistication, complexity and severity, New Zealand's government agencies, businesses, universities and kura are at risk of attack daily. As the ability of bad actors to steal and encrypt valuable data and extort ransomware payments continues to grow, the risk of data theft, private information exposure and potentially catastrophic disruption to our economy, key industries and essential public services increases exponentially.

Join us at the Public Sector Network's **Cyber New Zealand Showcase 2023** and gain valuable insights into effective cyber security risk mitigation strategies and techniques.

Attendees of this year's showcase will have the opportunity to listen to industry leaders from central and local government agencies and academic institutions, as they provide in-depth insights into:

- a. Developing organisation-wide infrastructure resilience
- b. Leading the transformation of a security culture
- c. Building stronger capability through investment prioritisation
- d. Defending their organisation from complex threats
- e. Securing the operations of essential networks and data
- f. Attracting and retaining cyber security talent

This showcase will also explore real-life case studies that will enhance your understanding of improving cyber security on a national scale.



## Who You'll Meet

### Meet Chiefs/Directors/Heads/Managers of:

- Cyber Security
- Risk Management
- ICT Security / Cloud Security
- Data Security
- Network Security
- Technology
- Digital Security
- Information Management

## Benefits of Attending



**Discover the latest tools** and platforms cyber leaders are investing in and implementing to strengthen security



**Learn about** the latest methods to protect your networks and keep data safe from bad actors



**Gain first-hand practical information** and inspiration from the experiences and insights shared by cyber thought leaders who share your industry and sector specific challenges



**Hear case studies** from leaders across the country about the challenges facing cyber specialists as threats continue to escalate

## Key Themes

- Developing Agile, Robust & Resilient Network Security
- How to Prioritise Investments in Tools and Technology
- Predict and Prevent Emerging and Future Cyber Attacks
- Monitoring of Critical Systems and Instrumentation Issues
- Security Culture Transformation Leadership
- Managing Supply Chain Risk and Improving Organisational Resilience
- Protecting the Security and Continuity of Essential Services in a Crisis



**Gives a broader perspective on Cyber Security issues and concerns than from just individual agencies. Plus, raising awareness of current trends.**

New Zealand Customs Service



# Your Inspiring Speakers



**A/Prof. Chris Ward**  
*Managing Director*

**Cyber365**



**Peter Booth**  
*Group Manager, Security Services and Performance*

**Te Whatu Ora Health NZ**



**Jay Harris**  
*Chief Information Security Officer*

**Inland Revenue Department**



**Jordan Heersping**  
*Manager, Threat and Incident Response*

**CERT NZ**



**Jamie Knight**  
*Director of Cyber Defence Operations*

**National Cyber Security Centre**



**Jay Nowitz**  
*Senior Information Security Advisor*

**Oranga Tamariki**



**Tom Roberts**  
*Team Leader, Threat & Incident Response*

**CERT NZ**



**Derek Robson**  
*Chief Information Security Officer*

**New Zealand Parliament**



**Ruth Russell**  
*Kaihautū Hangarau Whakaaturanga, Chief Information Officer*

**Te Tumu Paeroa - Office of the Maori Trustee**



**Jonathan Wilkins**  
*Chief Information Security Officer*

**Ministry for Primary Industries**



**James Anderson**  
*Consultant*

**Mandiant, now part of Google Cloud**



**Vlat Jaeger**  
*Sr. Solutions Engineer*

**Zscaler**



**Adam Rice**  
*Cybersecurity Advisory*

**Cisco**



**Khaled Sefian**  
*National Cybersecurity Strategist*

**OpenText**

**8:00am** Registration and Networking

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**8:50am** Traditional Welcome  
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**9:00am** Welcome from Public Sector Network

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**9:15am** Welcome from the Chair  
A/Prof. Chris Ward, *Managing Director, Cyber365*

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**9:25am** **Opening Keynote: Government Update on the Current Cyber Threat Landscape: Actions Organisations Can Take to Build Resilienc**

- An overview of the current threats facing organisations globally
- Sharing NCSC's insights into building cyber security resilience
- Setting out how the NCSC can provide support when things go wrong

**Jamie Knight**, *Director of Cyber Defence Operations, National Cyber Security Centre*

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**9:45am** **Partner Session: Scam Me if You Can: Why Social Engineering Continues to be an Enduring Security Risk for Public and Private Organisations**

- How gaps in the system give criminals opportunities to attack and access to sensitive resources
- Learnings gained breaking into dozens of systems from a seasoned red teamer
- Key insights into the cunning new methods used in successful social engineering attacks

**James Anderson**, *Consulting Manager, Mandiant, now part of Google Cloud*

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**10:05am** **Keynote: Future Strategic Planning and Critical Controls: An Exclusive Update from CERT NZ**

- Identifying priority risks in your organisation: implementing preventative critical controls
- Reviewing our critical controls against the incidents we have seen over the past 12 months: reporting results from the key data set
- Data and insights we received from reports and international threat feeds
- How and why attacks that occurred in the past financial year could have been prevented
- Looking to 2024 and beyond: CERT's current key focus and projected future priorities

**Jordan Heersping**, *Manager, Threat and Incident Response, CERT NZ*

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**10:25am** Morning Coffee and Networking Break

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**10:55am Partner Session: Cyber in the Age of AI: Risks and Opportunities**

- Current state of AI and the effect of AI on organisations
- How to secure the use of generative AI
- How Zscaler is using AI-based security controls to stop the latest attacks and further enhance data protection

**Vlat Jaeger**, *Sr. Solutions Engineer, Zscaler*

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**11:15am Government Keynote: Get the Basics Right and Don't Panic: Planning Your Security Strategy**

- Security threats are constantly evolving; why there should be no need to panic if you prioritise getting the basics right
- Identifying cyber-smart investments in emerging tech to future-proof your organisation
- Chat GPT is a hot topic: why a solid privacy policy is something you should already have in place
- Ransomware is major threat, how and why application control and adequate offsite backups will give you good protection

**Derek Robson**, *Chief Information Security Officer, New Zealand Parliament*

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**11:35am Panel Discussion: Designing a Roadmap for Achieving Agile & Resilient Network Security**

- How can you identify and analyse your organisation's unique risk profile to determine the most critical data for your agency and its key client-users?
- How can we ensure programs and investments in technologies reduce risks to acceptable levels?
- What's the best means of embedding a zero-trust framework in a network security strategy?
- How should we design and implement cybersecurity awareness training programs to educate employees about their critical role in cyber defence?
- How do you identify gaps and priorities to address these within budgetary and personnel constraints?

**Jonathan Wilkins**, *Chief Information Security Officer, Ministry for Primary Industries*

**Tom Roberts**, *Team Leader, Threat & Incident Response, Cert NZ*

**Khaled Sefian**, *National Cybersecurity Strategist, OpenText*

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**12:05pm Roundtable Discussions**

**Roundtable 1: Vulnerability Management - the Non Human Type**

You will hear from James Anderson earlier in the day about vulnerabilities exposed through social engineering. Beyond that, how do you understand your network's Attack Surface vulnerabilities - the areas in which threat actors could break in?

As a defender, do you know where the vulnerabilities are in your networks? Because you can be sure the attackers do. How do you identify vulnerabilities before attackers, and before they exploit those vulnerabilities?

**Facilitated by James Anderson**, *Consultant, Mandiant, now part of Google Cloud*

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**Roundtable 2: War stories from the trenches of early days of the APT battels in the US defence industrial base**

- How we went from losing to winning the battle against our Nation State adversaries

**Facilitated by Adam Rice**, *Cyber Security Advisor*, Cisco

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**Roundtable 3: The Art of Data Protection: Putting Data Privacy and Protection at the Centre of Your Security Strategy**

You will discuss the evolving data security challenge and leading practices for implementing a data-centric security framework

**Facilitated by Khaled Sefian**, *National Cybersecurity Strategist* and **Irfan Najeeb**, *Cybersecurity Strategist*, OpenText

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**Roundtable 4: Discussing the AI Opportunity for IT and Security Teams**

- Using AI/ML for better engagement and customer service
- Strengthening your security posture against the risks of AI
- Formulating a comprehensive data protection strategy

**Facilitated by Clive Levido**, *Regional Sales Manager*, Zscaler

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**Roundtable 5: Graduate pathways into Cybersecurity and developing the emergent talent in the area**

**Facilitated by Jay Nowitz**, *Senior Information Security Advisor*, Oranga Tamariki

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**Roundtable 6: How should we design and implement cybersecurity awareness training programs to educate employees about their critical role in cyber defence?**

**Facilitated by Duane Wilkins**, *Programme Manager*, Stats NZ

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**1:05pm** Lunch and Networking Break

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**2:05pm** Welcome Back from the Chair

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**2:10pm** **Partner Session: Thoughts on practical mitigation strategies for getting in front of Advanced Persistent Threats (APT) based on years of experience in the US Defence Industrial base.**

- This session will explore a broad overview of APTs, the relationship between good threat intelligence, threat attribution, and the basic steps to see and stop the threat.

**Adam Rice**, *Cybersecurity Advisory*, Cisco

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**2:30pm** **Government Keynote: Navigating a Brave New World of Digital Identity: How CX Innovation is Transforming the Department of Inland Revenue's Security Strategy**

- Digitising the IRD and enabling IRD to transact digitally with taxpayers and their representatives: update on our work in progress and strategic future plans for transformation
- Key implications and our most critical challenges for safely securing businesses operating in a new digital ecosystem: connected digitally to suppliers and customers
- Driving secure network capability for administration of tax and social policy payments integrated into broader economic systems: enabling individuals or businesses to use a common digital identity across a range of services
- Insights from our organisation's unique transformation journey to date and lessons learned

**Jay Harris**, *Chief Information Security Officer*, Inland Revenue Department

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**2:50pm Panel Discussion: Solving Issues Related to Instrumentation and Monitoring of Critical Systems**

- How can we most effectively collaborate to close the root cause: the cyber security skills gaps?
- What opportunities could the latest iteration of Data Loss Prevention tools offer organisations?
- How valuable as a proactive protection strategy against preventing leaks is the gathering of user data and filtering of potentially offensive actions to unveil fraud or data exfiltration attempts?

**Jay Nowitz**, *Senior Information Security Advisor*, Oranga Tamariki

**Derek Robson**, *Chief Information Security Officer*, New Zealand Parliament

**Peter Booth**, *Group Manager – Security Services and Performance*, Te Whatu Ora

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**3:20pm Government Keynote: Building Capability to Manage Supply Chain Risk and Improve Organisational Cyber Resilience**

- Identifying supply chain entities and supplier management processes
- Assessing the cyber threat landscape and determining which suppliers are most critical
- Establishing processes to effectively manage supply chain risk and continuously improve your organisation's cyber resilience

**Jonathan Wilkins**, *Chief Information Security Officer*, Ministry for Primary Industries

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**3:40pm Case Study: Security Transformation Leadership: Distinguishing Myth from Reality**

- How to prioritise investments in security capability to reduce risk
- Security culture transformation and leadership: values-based approach to security
- Embedding a continuously improving security culture, resilient to evolving security threats

**Ruth Russell**, *Kaihautū Hangarau Whakaaturanga Chief Information Officer*, Te Tumu Paeroa - Office of the Māori Trustee

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**4:00pm Closing Remarks**

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**4:10pm Networking Drinks**

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**It was good to hear from others working in similar organisations who are facing many of the same challenges.**

Callaghan Innovation



**Speakers with real world experience sharing their knowledge about when they dealt with a cyber breach.**

Hawkes Bay Regional Council



**A great insight into cyber security and challenges that professionals are facing in the NZ Industry.**

New Zealand Parliament



**I have learned a lot and found it very interesting.**

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