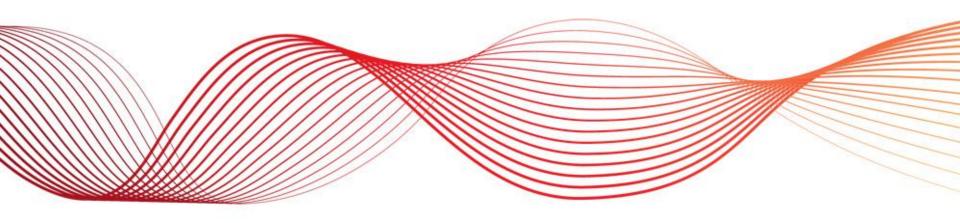
LEAN GAINS – SMALL TEAM EFFECTIVENESS



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ABOUT AEMO



- Operating gas and electricity markets and power systems
- Delivers operational, development, and planning functions.
- Ownership 60% government; 40% market participants.
- Funded by market participants and operates on a cost recovery basis

AUSTRALIAN ENERGY MARKET



Electricity:

- National Electricity Market (NEM)
 - \$7.7 billion traded, 9 million customers
- WA Wholesale Electricity Market (WEM)
 - \$500 million traded, 1 million customers

Gas:

- \$899.5 million traded Declared Wholesale Gas Market (DWGM)
- \$557.8 million traded Short Term Trading Market (STTM)
- \$8.7 million traded Wallumbilla Gas Hub

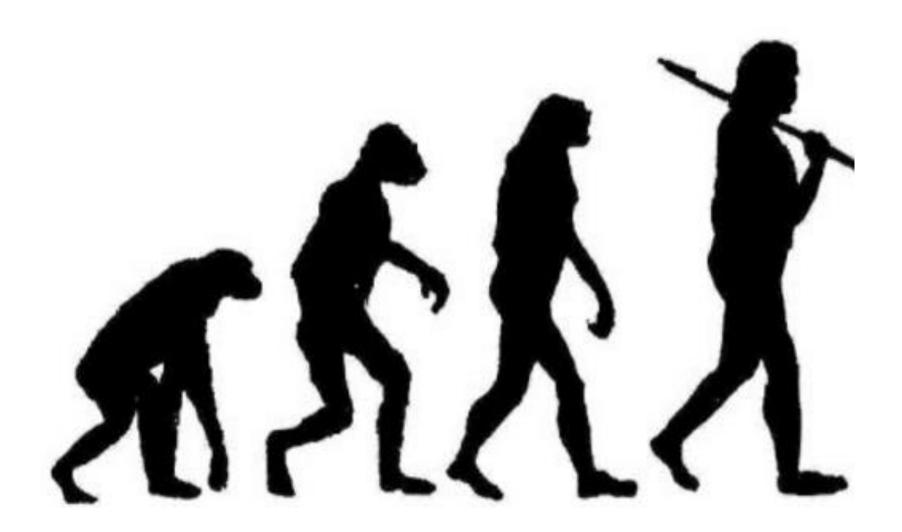
SECURITY TEAM ENVIRONMENT



- Geographically dispersed team
- Complex environment
- Small organisation
- Significant Change
- Focus on Threat Detection and Response

EVOLUTION (MATURITY)





STAGE OF EVOLUTION





ASSESSMENT



- Limited size team
- Defensive mindset
- Run our own infrastructure
- No known good state
- Security as an add-on

SMALL TEAM - NOT ALL BAD



- Agile/Flexible
- Self Reliant as a team
- Ownership
- Communication

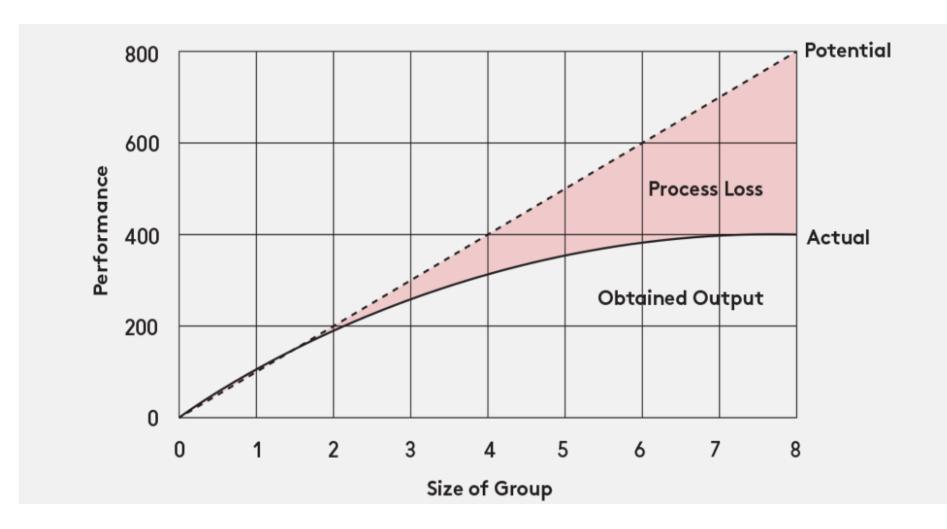


Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos's

"two pizza" rule: If a team can't be fed with two pizzas, it's too big.

RINGLEMANN EFFECT



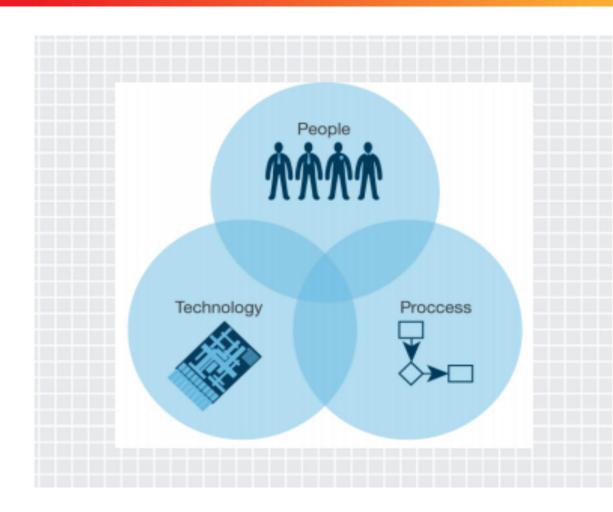


^{* &}quot;Is the ringlemann effect holding you back, "http://www.vanschneider.com/is-the-ringelmann-effect-holding-you-back

THE PEOPLE YOU WANT



- Passionate
- Offensive mindset
- Ownership
- Focus



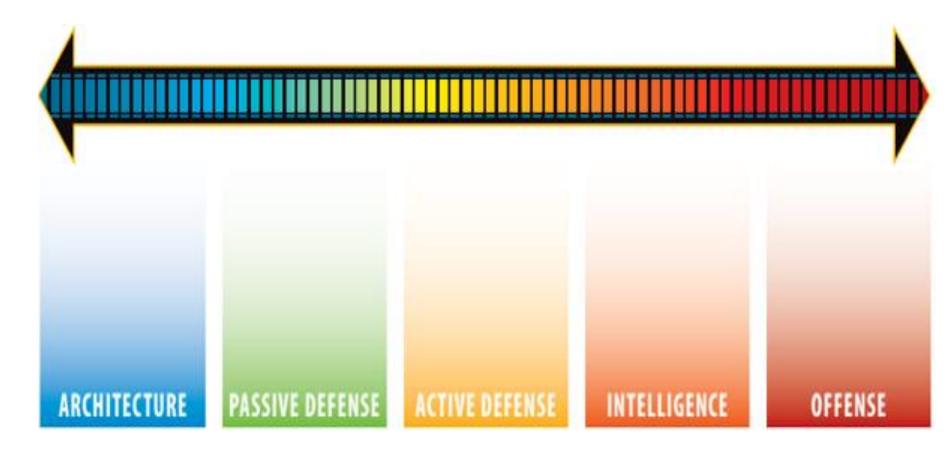
RESEARCH AND CONTINUOUS EVOLUTION





TEAM RESOURCING SLIDING SCALE OF CYBER – ROB LEE *





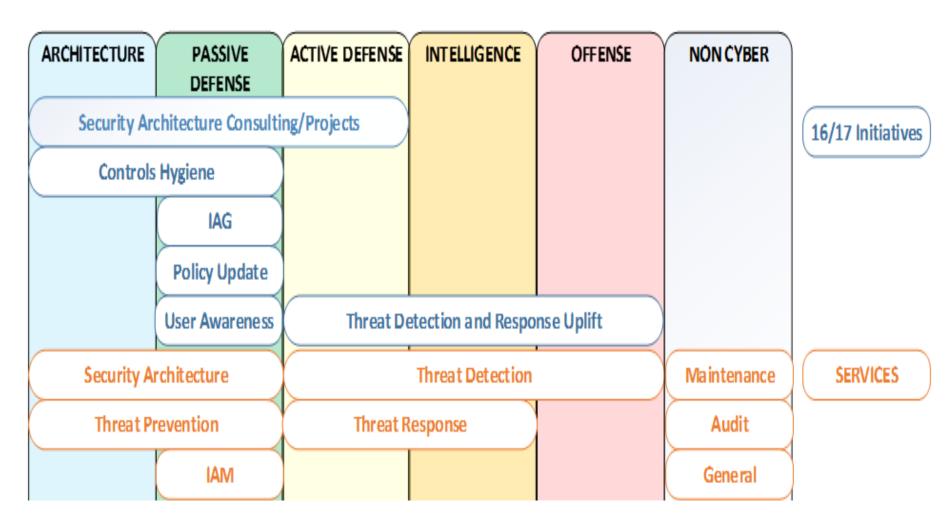
Value Towards Security

Costs

^{* &#}x27;The Sliding Scale of Cyber security", https://www.sans.org/reading-room/whitepapers/analyst/sliding-scale-cyber-security-36240

TEAM RESOURCING ALIGN TEAM DELIVERABLES



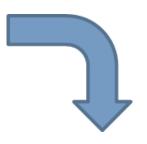


TEAM OPERATIONS ACTIVE CYBER DEFENCE CYCLE – ROB LEE *





Incident Response



Asset and Network Security Monitoring

Threat and Environment Manipulation



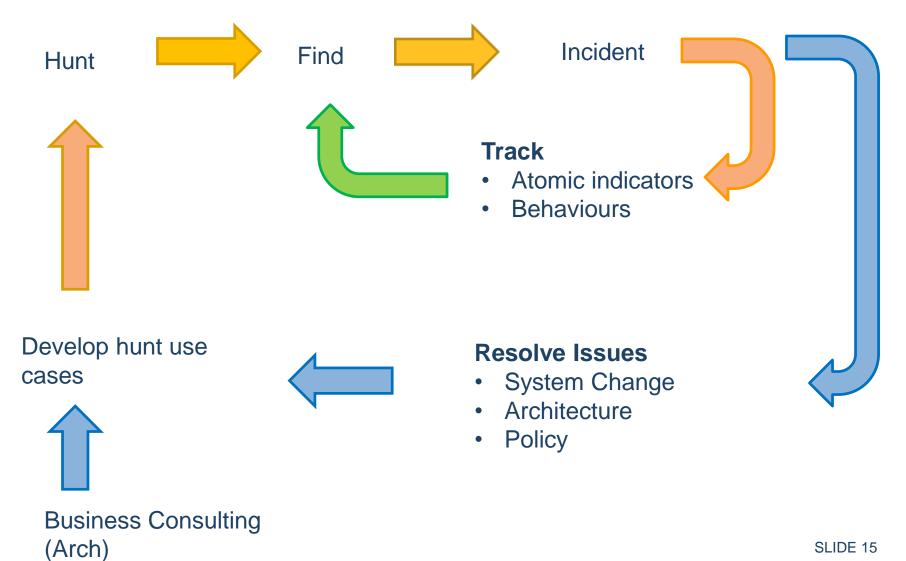
Threat Intelligence Consumption



^{* &}quot;Active Cyber Defence Cycle", http://www.irongeek.com/i.php?page=videos/bsideshuntsville2015/active-cyber-defense-cycle-robert-m-lee

TEAM OPERATIONS PROCESS - EXAMPLE





THREAT DETECTION AND RESPONSE INTELLIGENCE DRIVEN COMPUTER NETWORK DEFENSE *



Reconnaissance

Weaponization

Delivery

Exploitation

Installation

Command & Control

Actions on Objectives



^{* &}quot;Intelligence-Driven Computer Network Defense Informed by Analysis of Adversary Campaigns and Intrusion Kill Chains" www.lockheedmartin.com/content/dam/lockheed/data/corporate/documents/LM-White-Paper-Intel-Driven-Defense.pdf

THREAT DETECTION AND RESPONSE EXAMPLE





AEMO Intel Tier (3 items)

tier 4 (15) - tier 3 (8) - tier 1 (3)



AEMO Intel Action (1 item)

alert all (6)



AEMO Intel Type [open]



AEMO Email Cloud [open]



AEMO Kill Chain (3 items)

kc1 - recon (12) - kc7 - action on objectives (11) - kc3 - delivery (3)

ARCHITECTURE AND IT SYSTEMS DEFENDABLE ARCHITECTURES *





Visibility

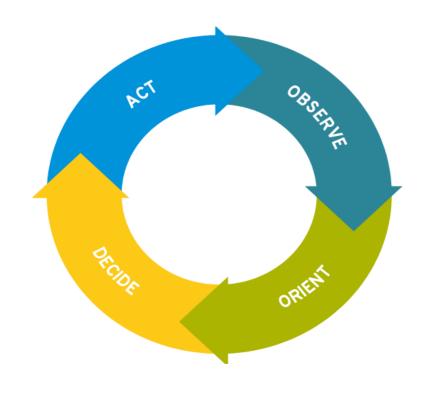
Manageability

Survivability

OODA LOOP - JOHN BOYD



- Observe Collect
- Orient Analyse
- Decide Judge
- Act Execute



"the capability to evolve, to adapt, to learn, and deny such capability to the enemy" *

^{* &}quot;Science, Strategy and War: The Strategic Theory of John Boyd", Frans P.B. Osinga, PP237

FORCE MULTIPLIERS

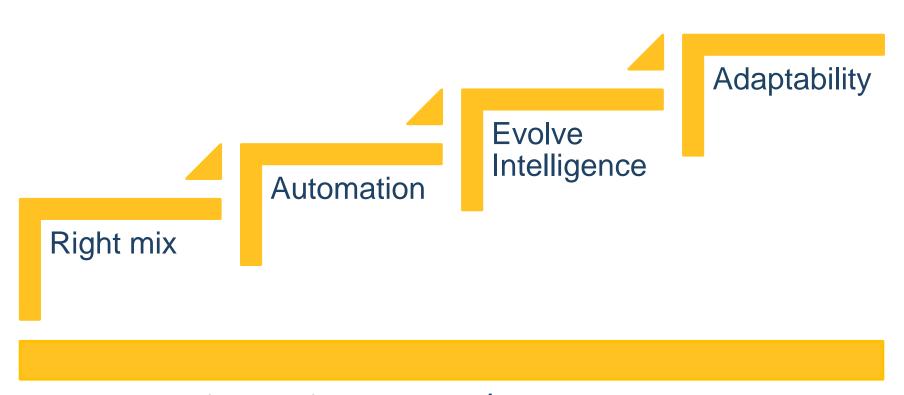


- Training
- Automation
- Leverage other teams
- Build gates (Architecture)
- Feedback cycle (Architecture)
- Passive defence



NEXT STEPS





Security Hygiene Controls

SUMMARY - OBSERVATIONS - KEY POINTS



- People are key
- Focus on important things
- Leverage others
- Feedback loop & adaptation
- Utilise force multipliers

QUESTIONS



