

Deploying a CSIRT/CERT for Critical Infrastructure.

Objectives, policies, responsibilities, and modus operandi.

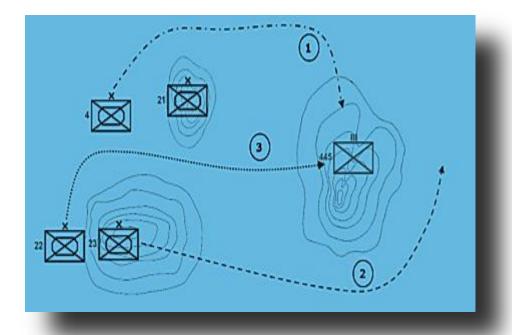
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How is strategy evolving?

- Known unknowns
 - Will be attacked
 - Don't know when, where, how, who
 - Accept the inevitable
 - Not just about technology
 - Unique features of cyber
- Acquisition of intelligence for situation awareness and early warning
- Focus on capabilities
- Focus on collaboration with trusted parties





Prepare to defend. Situation awareness

- Identify infrastructures and key government systems that need to be defended
- Develop a level of resilience for those key assets
- Accept the possibility of a successful attack and focus on containment and mitigation
- Cooperate with the private sector
- Build information sharing platforms
- Intelligence-centric approach is key
- Information collection is the default posture but is that enough?
- Actionable data that are categorized, classified and prioritized





Technological/process requirements

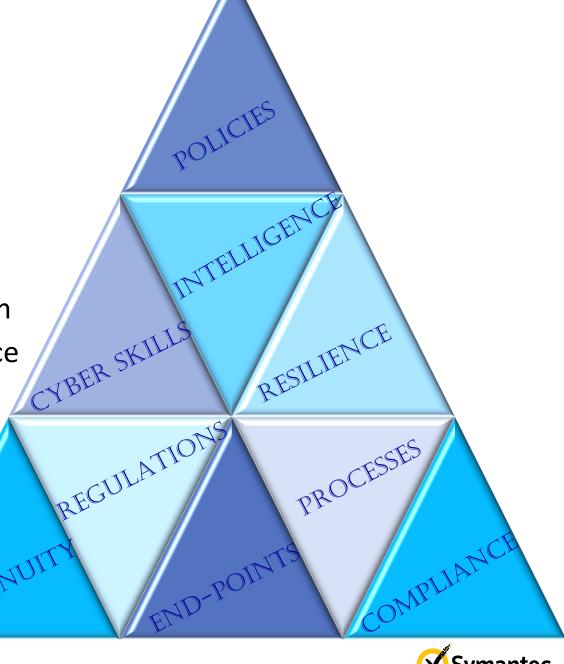
- Build the CERT and.....
- Protect information and identities not just the hardware endpoints
- Address data leakage
- Look at mobile and emerging threats
- Build a comprehensive redundancy and disaster recovery capability
- Risk based approach
- Manage cloud and outsourcing
- You can't defend everything





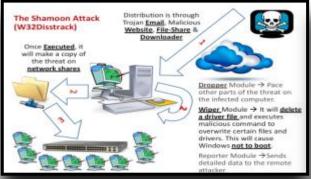
Actually defend

- Prioritize
- Defend in depth on multiple points
- Focus on containment, mitigation, resilience, continuity of critical systems
- Monitor and protect real-time
- Develop the necessary cyber skills and retain them
- Compliance with laws/regulations/policies in place
- Have the process in place to deliver effective incident response and decision-making powers
- Collect **intelligence** on the attacker
- To the extend possible, attribute

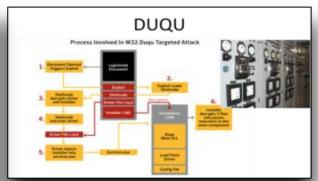




High-profile Critical Information Infrastructure attacks







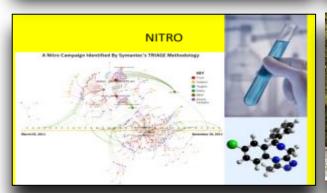




















NIS Directive - Key mandates to Member States

- Ensure a high level of NIS in Country
- National Cybersecurity Strategies
- Crate/equip Computer Security Incident Response Teams (CSIRTs)
- Designate one or more national competent authority
- Define, implement, enforce security & notification requirements
- Implement organisational and technological measures
- Promote a culture of risk management
- Designate a national single point of contact responsible for coordination
- Report and publish serious incidents
- Need to exchange information
- Emphasis on cross-border implications

Operators of Critical infrastructure

- Need to develop a risk management approach
- Are subject to audit and supervision by national authorities
- Need to report security incidents
- Need to exchange information





Key elements of cyber strategies

- Info-sharing
- Threat mitigation
- Incident response
- Notification

Rethink national security and national defense strategy

- Direct impact on the lives of citizens
- Direct impact on the operations of government

Know what information

and infrastructure

assets to be protected

Cooperation structures between government & private sector

Infosec is no longer just about technology

Understand the value of information

- Dynamic and mobile
- Intelligence and risk-driven
- Process and people-driven
- Educate the users to cyber discipline

- Accidental loss and Open Source Intelligence
- Resilience and service continuity

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What is a CERT/CSIRT

Computer Emergency Response Team/ Computer Security Incident Response Team

A CERT/CSIRT is:

- ✓ an organization or team
- ✓ that provides services and support
- ✓ to a defined constituency
- ✓ for preventing
- ✓ handling and
- ✓ responding to
- ✓ computer security incidents.





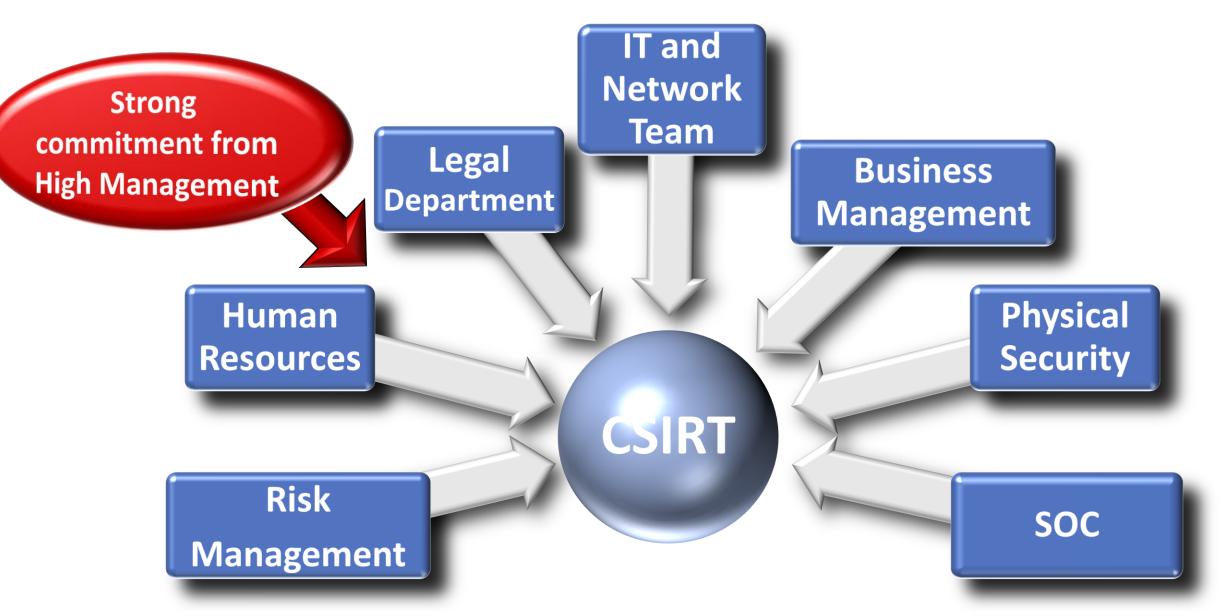
CERT/CSIRT – Objectives of the implementations

- Enhance information security awareness
- Build (national) expertise in information security, incident management and computer forensics
- Provide a central trusted point of contact for
 - Cyber security incident reporting
 - For general contact for security issues
- Establish a (national) center to disseminate information about threats, vulnerabilities, and cyber security incidents
- Coordinate with other domestic and international CERT/CSIRTs and related organizations
- Share information and lesson learned with other CERT/CSIRT/response teams and appropriate organizations and sites.

- Protect mission-critical data and assets
- Prepare for and respond to security threats
- Help provide continuity and efficient recovery
- Fortify business infrastructure
- Monitor, Analyze, Correlate & Escalate Intrusion Events
- Develop Appropriate Responses; Protect, Detect, Respond
- Conduct Incident Management and Forensic Investigation
- Assist in Crisis Operations



CERT/CSIRT – Who Need to be involved





What is a SOC

- A Security Operations Center ("SOC") is a facility where enterprise information systems (web sites, applications, databases, data centers and servers, networks, desktops and other endpoints) are monitored, assessed, and defended.
- A SOC is related with the **people**, **processes and technologies** involved in providing situational awareness through the **detection**, **containment**, **and remediation** of IT threats.
- A SOC manages incidents for the enterprise, ensuring they are properly identified, analyzed, communicated, actioned/defended, investigated and reported.
- The SOC also **monitors applications** to identify a possible cyberattack or intrusion (event) and determine if it is a real, malicious threat (incident), and if it could have a business impact.
- Maturity level: Outsourcing → Co-Sourcing → Insourcing





Challenges of any SOC

Threat Evolution

- Complexity of managing a SOC has increased exponentially
- > Inside and outside threats
- ➤ Requires having global visibility and superior knowledge detect

Complex Monitoring

- Monitoring operations are no longer just about perimeter protection (Firewalls, IPS, IDS, Proxy, Applications, IAM, etc)
- Onslaught of security data from disparate systems, platforms and applications
- Very huge amount of daily logs that must be monitored, analyzed and correlated.

Staffing

- > Quality staff is hard to find, retain.. Don't Settle
- ➤ 24/7 Shifts difficult to achieve Good people don't like to work on Shifts for long period
- > Hard to develop a career plan for the resources

Proactive Prevention

Incident Response

Incident Detection

Predictive Protection

Security

Management

Log Monitoring



SOC Focus Area

Not every SOC has the same role. There are three different focus areas in which a SOC may be active, however combined:

- Monitoring: focusing on events and the response with log monitoring, SIEM administration, and incident response
- Operational: focusing on the operational security administration such as identity & access management, key management, firewall administration, etc.
- **Control**: focusing on the state of the security with compliancy testing, penetration testing, vulnerability testing, etc.



Bulding a SOC

The journey toward a well-defined SOC

What will I deliver?

When will I deliver?

How will I deliver?

Services Catalogue

Service Description & Scope



Capability Maturity Model

Primary/Secondary Services



Main Processes

- Process Diagrams
- Process Tables



Well-defined SOC Model



Technical, Functional & Organizational Model



Roles & Responsibilities (RACI)

What is my setup?

Who will be responsible?



C-SOC Functions (Cyber Defence Centre + SOC)

MISP (Malware Information Sharing Platform)/CRITs - Collaborative Research Into Threats

Cyber Defence Centre

Threat Management

- Global threat monitoring
- Proactive threat protection
- Escalation to risk team)

Forensic

Advance incident analysis

Monitoring and Incident Handling 24x7

- Monitor all security incidents
- Follow incident handling process
- Escalation to threat management for critical and repeated incidents
- DDoS mitigation

Implementation and Change Management

- Access control
- Change Management

Level 1
Support

24x7

- Security helpdesk support
- Helpdesk support
- Handling reported spam
- Security System availability and performance monitoring

Level 2 Support 8x5

- Supporting all security technologies
- Preventative maintenance
- Infrastructure maintenance

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Cyber Defence Center Service Catalog

"Define your security services menu"

	Proactive Services	Reactive Services	Security Management
Monitoring	 Real Time Device Monitor Vulnerability Assessment Penetration Test Security & Compliance Audit Cyber Security Intelligence Performance and Fault Monitoring Policy Compliance Hunting / Honeypotting 	 Incident Identification Incident Classification 	 Business Impact Analysis Risk Assessment Threat Assessment Technology Watch
Advisoring	 Alerting & Warning Trending Technical Reporting Security Hotline 	Incident Notification	 Executive Reporting Security Consulting Awareness Countermeasures Selection
Managing	 Secure Device Configuration Secure Device Maintenance Policy Management Policy Enforcement Patch Management Events Data Retention Endpoint Management Hardening 	 Incident Response Incident Recovery Forensics Evidence Collection Malware Analysis Forensics Analysis Tracking & Tracing Post Mortem Analysis 	 Business Continuity Asset Inventory Policy Planning Risk Management Education/Training Certification

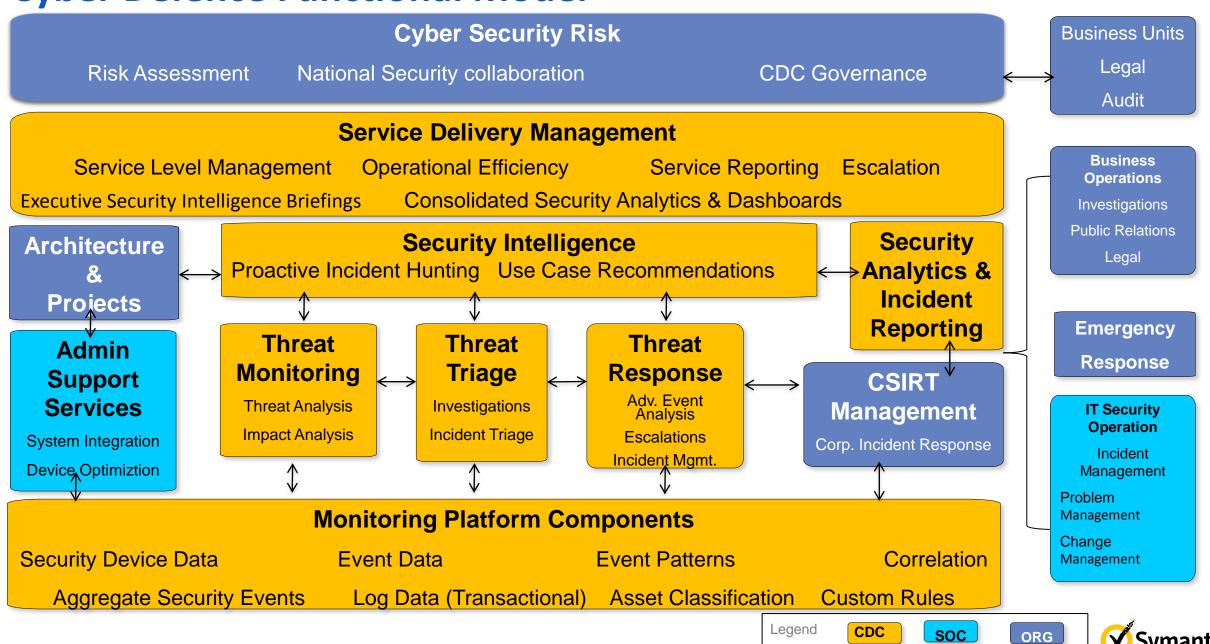
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SOC Services - Capability Maturity Model

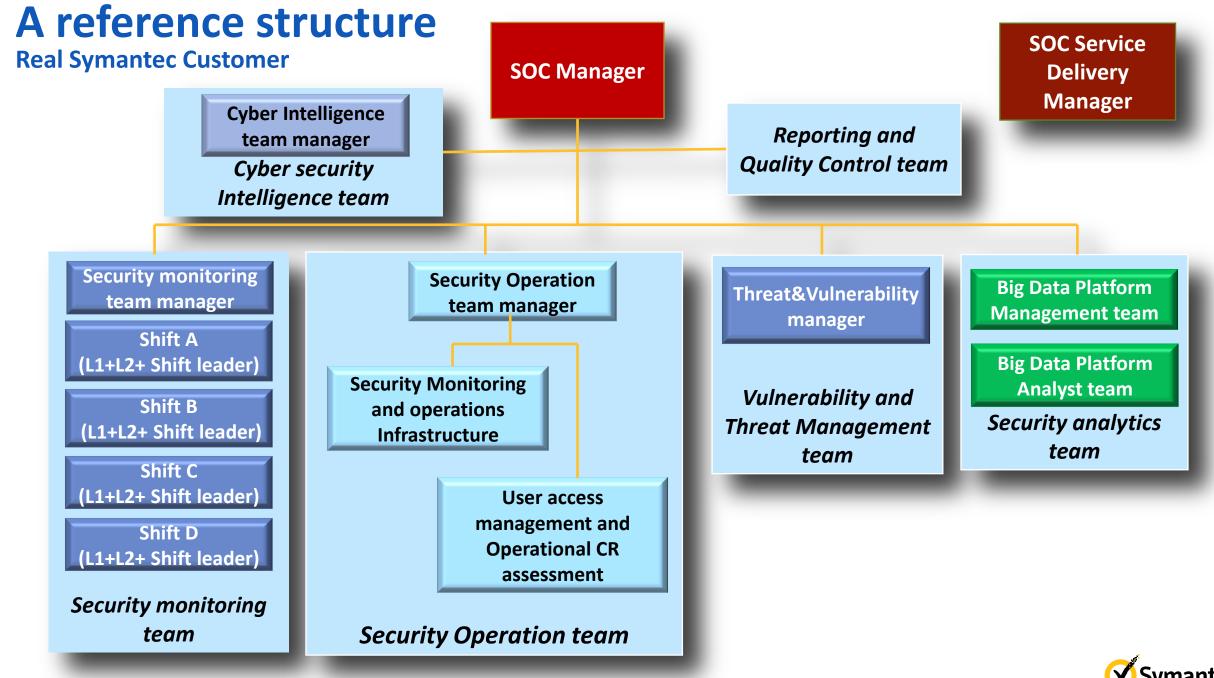
	Initial >>	Aware >>	Defined >>	Managed >>	Optimised
Security Management		Security AwarenessExecutive Security Reporting	 Business Impact Analysis Risk Assessment Asset Inventory 	 Technology Watch Security Consulting Countermeasures selection Risk Management 	 Business Continuity Policy Planning Education Training Certification
Incident Handling	 Incident Identification Incident Notification Incident Response 	IncidentClassificationTracking & Tracing	■ Incident Recovery	Forensics Evidence CollectionPost-mortem Analysis	■ Forensics Analysis
Proactive Security	 RT Device Monitoring Alerting & Warning Policy Management Policy Enforcement 	 Vulnerability Assessment Penetration Test Security Intelligence Technical Reporting Event Data Retention 	 Security Device Config. Security Device Maintenance 	 Fault Monitoring Patch Management End Point Security Hardening 	 Security Audit Performance Monitoring Policy Compliance Security Hotline

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Cyber Defence Functional Model



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What are we seeing?

"Best Practice being re-defined through blended approaches"

- Managed Service Providers:
 - Real time threat alerting & remediation guidance
 - Provide global threat intelligence & industry comparison
 - Extend customer's team (& address industry skill shortage) with 24x7x365 coverage by skilled threat analysts
- On premise solutions:
 - Provide historical investigative analysis & compliance capability
 - Onsite team remains embedded in the business with flexible ad hoc query capability
- Together, supports a flexible, employee engaged and agile business solution

"The optimum balance of cost, risk, time & performance"

On premise SIEM/Analytics Platform

Use cases executed via standalone on premise solution



Managed Security Services Provider

Use cases executed via standalone via outsourced partner under SLA





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