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CISO Malaysia 2026 Thursday, 29 January Agenda	
08:30	Registration and breakfast
08:50	Welcoming Remarks from Corinium
08:55	Chair's Opening Remarks <u>Speaker:</u> Dr Manmeet Mahinderjit Singh Associate Professor Universiti Sains Malaysia
09:00	Speed Networking – Making new connections at CISO Malaysia! During this 5-minute networking session, the aim of the game is to go and meet three people you don't already know. Have fun!
09:05	Opening Keynote From Policy to Practice: Making the Cyber Security Act 2024 Work for Your Organisation As Malaysia enters a new era of cyber governance, this session unpacks what the Cyber Security Act 2024 really means for CISOs, especially those responsible for critical infrastructure and high-risk sectors. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding the evolving role of the CISO under the Act: compliance, accountability, and strategic alignment • Readiness strategies for NCII sectors: threat modelling, incident reporting, and collaboration with NACSA • Bridging the gap between regulatory intent and operational execution through governance, tooling, and workforce enablement <u>Speaker:</u> Fazlan Abdullah Acting Head, Pre-Emptive Technology & Services Division CyberSecurity Malaysia
09:30	Safeguarding the Missing Layer: Human Risk <u>Speaker:</u> John Taylor Field CTO – APAC Mimecast
09:55	Executive Panel CISOs at a Crossroads: From Firefighter to Forward Strategist <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With the Cyber Security Act 2024 and Malaysia's national push for digital resilience, the CISO role is evolving from technical enforcer to strategic business leader • Boards and regulators increasingly expect CISOs to articulate risk, trust, and resilience in business terms—beyond compliance • Balancing real-time threat response with long-term transformation, regulatory alignment, and enterprise value creation <u>Moderator:</u> Vikneswaran Kunasegaran SVP – Security Assessments Firmus

	<p><u>Panellists:</u></p> <p>Amir Abdul Samad Head, Cyber Security (CISO) PETRONAS</p> <p>Ts. Dr. Prasad Jayabalan Head of Cybersecurity Strategy & Architecture Axiata</p> <p>Norman Leong Head of Cybersecurity Governance, Risk, and Assurance AirAsia</p>									
10:25	<p>Stay Ready So You Don't Need to Get Ready</p> <p><u>Speaker:</u></p> <p>Dominic Cheah Director of Technical Solutions Engineering, ASEAN Tanium</p>									
10:50	Coffee and Connect									
11:20	<p>Technical Panel</p> <p>Secure by Design: Building Resilient, Digital-Native Security Architectures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key principles for architecting secure, scalable environments across cloud, hybrid, and edge • How to embed resilience and agility without compromising speed or user experience • Real-world approaches to modernising legacy infrastructure while preparing for future threats <p><u>Moderator:</u></p> <p>Abdul Hakim Razip Chief Risk Officer Generali Insurance</p> <p><u>Panellists:</u></p> <p>Ts. Dr. Prasad Jayabalan Head of Cybersecurity Strategy & Architecture Axiata</p> <p>Norsyahrim Abdul Tahar Head of Group Information Technology Alliance Bank</p> <p>Chris Farrelly Vice President – APAC Concentric AI</p>									
11:50	<p>Unified Cyber Resilience for AI</p> <p><u>Speaker:</u></p> <p>Gareth Russell Field Chief Technology Officer, Security for Asia Pacific (APAC) Commvault</p>									
12:15	<p>Bridging IT and OT: Securing Critical Infrastructure in a Connected World</p> <p><u>Speaker:</u></p> <p>Edd Barber CISO WEL Networks</p>									
12:40	<p>Data Security: The Missing Context</p> <p><u>Speaker:</u></p> <p>Chris Farrelly Vice President – APAC Concentric AI</p>									
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14:55	<p>Changing the DNA: Leading Culture Shifts in Cyber Security</p> <p><u>Speaker:</u> Ts. Saiful Bakhtiar Osman Head of IT PNB Commercial</p>	<p>Architecting Compliance: Embedding GRC into Security Architecture</p> <p><u>Speaker:</u> Ridzwan Mahdi CA ANZ, CISA, CISSP - GRC Professional Major Telco</p>
15:20	<p>The Ghost in the Machine: Shedding Light on Hidden AI Risks with Tenable</p> <p><u>Speaker:</u> Wing Churn Leong Senior Security Engineer Tenable</p>	<p>Building a Continuous AI Security Control Loop</p> <p><u>Speaker:</u> James Lee Senior Solutions Architect, Asia Pacific, China & Japan F5</p>
15:45	<p>Fireside Chat When Downtime Becomes a Cyber Weapon: Securing Critical Infrastructure in a Connected Era</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding the unique cyber risk profile of critical infrastructure – why IT/OT convergence, legacy systems, and national dependency make these environments high-impact targets Building operational resilience where safety, uptime, and security intersect – rethinking incident response, recovery, and decision-making when cyber incidents can disrupt essential services Strengthening ecosystem collaboration – how operators, regulators, and technology partners can work together to uplift resilience across Malaysia's critical infrastructure landscape <p><u>Speakers</u> Edd Barber CISO WEL Networks Dr Peter Leong Director MyCIO Services</p>	<p>Fireside Chat Zero Trust in Action: From Strategy to Real-World Implementation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How leading organisations are implementing Zero Trust across hybrid and multi-cloud environments Breaking down real-world playbooks: identity, segmentation, continuous verification Overcoming resistance, complexity, and legacy system limitations on the path to Zero Trust <p><u>Speakers</u> Hanapi Bisri Head of Group ICT Petra Energy Dr Manmeet Mahinderjit Singh Associate Professor Universiti Sains Malaysia</p>
16:10	<p>Secure, Comply, Accelerate: Operationalising Adaptive Cybersecurity in the Era of AI</p> <p><u>Speaker:</u> Kunal Jha Regional Sales Director Netskope</p>	<p>Panel Discussion: Cloud Security in the Age of Digital Warfare</p> <p>Exploring how cyberwarfare-style threats are reshaping cloud security, and what CISOs must do to build resilient, threat-informed cloud environments using CSA-aligned frameworks.</p> <p><u>Moderator:</u> Mohammed Hashim Security Architect Cloud Security Alliance Malaysia Chapter</p> <p><u>Panelists:</u> Ts. Mohamed Kheirulnaim bin Mohamed Danial Cybersecurity Practitioner CSA Selangor Chapter Dr. Noor Zaman Professor and Director for Research Centre Taylor's University Yusmadi Yusoff Senior Partner Fahda Nur & Yusmadi</p>
16:35	<p>Teh Tarik and Networking</p>	
17:05	<p>Closing Panel Mapping Threats in 2026: From Ransomware to AI-Chaos</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anticipating the next generation of ransomware, APTs, and AI-powered attacks • Understanding how geopolitical shifts and AI misuse could destabilise security ecosystems • Rethinking playbooks, tooling, and collaboration for the threat landscape of tomorrow <p>Moderator: Dr Manmeet Mahinderjit Singh Associate Professor Universiti Sains Malaysia</p> <p>Panellists: Ebenezer Godomon Deputy Director II (Cyber Security) Sabah State Computer Services Department Mohammed Hashim Security Architect Cloud Security Alliance Malaysia Chapter</p>
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17:40	Cheers with Peers: Mocktails and Mingle
18:30	Close of CISO Malaysia 2026