The shifting platform of these revolutionary times introduces threats and opportunities at the same time. This complicates things. It has been said that if things seem to be under control, you are either just not going fast enough, or on the other side you are under-prioritizing today’s complicated threat landscape.

As Coach Bobby Knight once said, “I don’t believe in luck. I believe in preparation.” Effective preparation brings its own luck.

Cybersecurity and related risk management preparation remain a top ten concern for companies everywhere. In fact it has been the #1 priority for the National Association of State CIOs (NASCIO) for each of the last nine (9) years.

Yet despite our best defensive preparations, sometimes things slip past the perimeter. And that is where your troubles begin. The noted Ponemon Institute reports nearly three-quarters of organizations do not a consistent, enterprise-wide cybersecurity incident response (IR) plan, even though organizations with such plans had an average data breach cost of $2.46MM USD lower than those with no plan at all.

Where do you stand? Are you any better prepared for responding to cyber disruptions that could affect your business? More appropriately, what do you need to be doing to enhance our own state of readiness.

The widely acclaimed “Digital Solutions Gallery” series is an ongoing nationally acclaimed forum where senior IT leaders and their business peers come together in a comfortable setting to share their experiences and insights, as well as collectively and collaboratively attack common issues. Uniquely organized around “peer learning”, this provocative program has received high praise among participating CIOs and other senior executives in the technology and/or operations leadership community.

There is no cost to invited senior leaders. Sponsoring opportunities are available for invited technology product and service providers.

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**Agenda:**

- 7:00am: Breakfast Available
- 8:00am: Welcoming Remarks

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**Mr. Bruce Barnes**

Program Series Co-Founder and  
Your Co-Host For This Session  
The Ohio State University
Opening Remarks and Context Setting

Mr. Thornton May
International IT Futurist
Program Series Co-Founder and Your Host For This Session

8:30am  Morning Keynote

“Leveraging Your Organizational Response”

Cybersecurity response is often a difficult topic to completely grasp, perhaps made worse by a skills and knowledge gap on the topic. One clear way to help mitigate that is to bring about a greater sense of collective awareness of the challenges, then crafting collaborative responses among public, private, military and academic institutions. Such avenues are available to you today, and you need to know about them.

Major General (Ret.) Mark Bartman
Former OH Adjutant General
Executive Consultant; The Institute For Cybersecurity And Digital Trust (ICDT)
The Ohio State University

9:10am  Morning Break

9:30am  “Industry Power Panel”

We may sometimes think individual industry sectors have uniquely different issues related to cybersecurity and digital trust. We may think that, but it is not entirely true. We have seen major cyber attacks threaten not only consumer entities, but also manufacturing, financial, government and supply entities as well. While some unique concerns may in fact exist, all industries are taking notice of the threats that exist across our collective industrial control networks. Moderated by Mr. Thornton May, this cross-industry panel will examine not only the differences, but also the commonalities.
10:00am  “Panel-Led Practicum”

The Industry Power Panel will present the attending executives with an assigned collective problem issue of their choosing, emanating from the Power Panel discussion. The attending executives will then be broken out into individual discussion groups, with each group tasked with deriving a consensus of next steps that it feels are appropriate.

10:30am  “Break-Out Group Report Backs To The Industry Panel”

10:55am  “Closing The Skills Gap”

The lack of cybersecurity talent is nothing new. It is a problem that all businesses have been facing for several years and it is getting worse. There have been many proposals and research descriptions on how to narrow the gap, but so far all efforts have largely been futile. What is causing this gap, what can be done to realistically narrow it, and what might be the best ways to effectively combat the shortage of cybersecurity skills.

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Chief Security and Privacy Officer  
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Advisory CISO  
Cisco  
Former CISO; The Ohio State University

**Mr. Tremayne Smith**  
Chief Information Security Officer  
Wexner Medical Center  
The Ohio State University

**Mr. Michael Carr**  
Cyber Security Expert and Private Counsel  
Former CISO: The University of Kentucky

**Mr. Rene Aguero**  
Director; Security Specialization  
Splunk
11:30am Closing Remarks and Summary

Mr. Thornton May
International IT Futurist
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11:50am Wrap-Up and Next Program Introduction

Mr. Dave Cherry
Cherry Advisory
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