

Obsolescence Management Challenges

Layered Assurance Workshop

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Most Urgent Challenges

- The two most urgent mission critical system challenges
- **BEING ON SCHEDULE!**
- **BEING WITHIN BUDGET!**
- While simultaneously...
 - ✓ Architecting systems that affordably **survive obsolescence** and **maintain assurance** against attack.
 - ✓ Building an **infrastructure** for next generation weapons, communications, security and safety critical systems, and “Systems of Systems.”

Total Cost of Ownership

- Implementation, Certification & Accreditation
- Deployment
- Operations and Maintenance
- **Technology Refresh**
- **Countering smarter and stronger attackers**
- **Obsolescence**

Obsolescence Cost Factors

- Parts, peripherals, sensors, memory, processors, etc., no longer available
- Standards deprecated or no longer supported
- “Lord High System Guy” unavailable
 - Lord High System Guy: Last surviving member of the original implementation team
- Dysfunctional design documentation
 - Accepted at PDR and CDR, but insufficient to
 - Rebuild the system
 - Modify the system to meet changing requirements
 - Extend the system for interoperability
 - Not updated to “as built”
 - Not purchased or put into escrow
- “Standard Platform” with undocumented modifications
- Attackers get smarter and stronger over time

Obsolescence Management

- Isolate architectural components that evolve at different rates
 - Abstraction Layers isolate S/W (evolves slowly) from H/W (Moore's Law)
- Open interfaces that conform to business objectives
 - Open interfaces around elements, support insertion of 3rd party components
- Use canonical modularity of the system
 - Most mature domains already have well defined H/W and S/W boundaries, need to be opened
- Architect for Separation, Composability, Reuse (multiple instantiation), and Technical Refresh
 - Open Architecture (OA) and Information Assurance (IA) both manage obsolescence
- "Standard Platforms" should be unmodified
 - Hands Off the internals – allows non-disruptive H/W and peripheral upgrades
- Separate Infrastructure from Mission Capabilities
 - Separation enables Composability and Compositionality
- **(Separation || Composition) is the only game in town for managing obsolescence**

Enterprise Management

- **Manage Dialog**
 - ISO 15386 Dublin Core
- **Manage Content**
 - ISO 11179 Metadata Registry
- **Manage Exchange**
 - ISO 19757 Regular-grammar-based validation - RELAX NG
- **Manage Consistency**
 - ISO 20943 Procedures for achieving metadata registry (MDR) content consistency
- **Manage Geospatial / Temporal Context**
 - ISO 19100 - ISO 19141 Geographic Information Standards
- **Manage Business**
 - ISO 15000 Electronic business eXtensible Markup Language
- **Manage Criteria**
 - ISO 15408 Evaluation criteria for IT security
- **Manage Assurance**
 - ISO 15026 Systems and Software Assurance
- **Manage Security**
 - ISO 27001 Security techniques — Information security management systems
 - ISO 17799 Code of practice for information security management

OA-IA-AT Principles

✓ Resistance (observe)

✓ Recognition (orient)

✓ Recovery (decide, reactive)

✓ Adaption (act, proactive)

✓ CONFIDENTIALITY

✓ INTEGRITY

✓ AUTHENTICATION

✓ AUTHORIZATION

✓ NON-REPUDIATION

✓ AVAILABILITY

✓ DESIGNATE KEY INFORMATION EXCHANGES

✓ MODULARITY & VISIBILITY

✓ RE-USEABLE COMPONENTS

✓ INTEROPERABILITY & SECURITY (CJCSI 6212.01E)

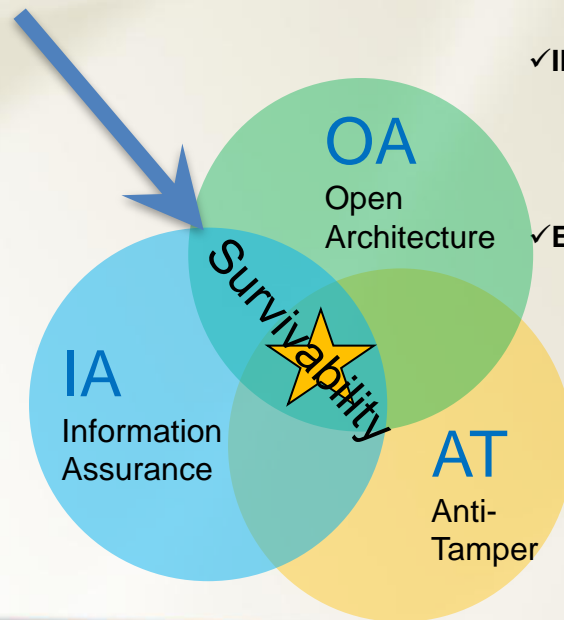
✓ ENABLING ENVIRONMENTS

✓ DETERRENCE

✓ PREVENTION

✓ DETECTION

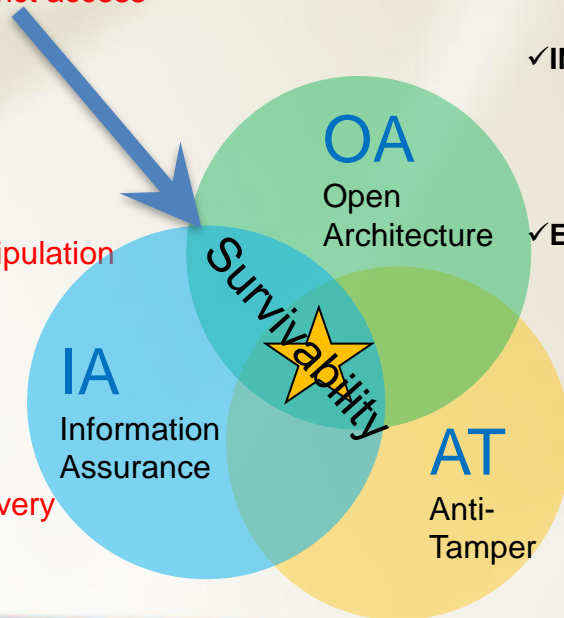
✓ RESPONSE



The Details, For Later Discussion

- ✓ **Resistance (observe)**
 - Defense in Depth
- ✓ **Recognition (orient)**
 - Monitoring
- ✓ **Recovery (decide, reactive)**
 - Update API's and protection
- ✓ **Adaption (act, proactive)**
 - update policy and definitions
 - reconfiguring network, restrict access

- ✓ **CONFIDENTIALITY**
 - Critical Data **PROTECTED**
- ✓ **INTEGRITY**
 - Free of Unauthorized Manipulation
- ✓ **AUTHENTICATION**
 - Identity Confirmed
- ✓ **AUTHORIZATION**
 - Privilege Confirmed
- ✓ **NON-REPUDIATION**
 - Proof of Data Origin & Delivery
- ✓ **AVAILABILITY**
 - Critical functions **READY**



- ✓ **DESIGNATE KEY INFORMATION EXCHANGES**
 - Standardize similar areas at Enterprise level based on community of interest
 - Blue force tracking, strike, mission planning , weather
- ✓ **MODULARITY & VISIABILITY**
 - Enable affordable, safe and secure tech. refreshes
 - Enable low cost rapid technology insertion
- ✓ **RE-USEABLE COMPONENTS**
 - Commercial based standards (POSIX, Open GL)
 - Published standards (IEEE 1394, 802.11)
 - Established proprietary standards (USB, Blue Ray)
- ✓ **INTEROPERABILITY & SECURITY (CJCSI 6212.01E)**
 - Information Enterprise Architecture
 - Use of same policy to trust each other
 - PL5 MLS Need to know vs. Legacy End Node
 - Support for Distributed degree of trust systems
- ✓ **ENABLING ENVIRONMENTS**
 - Infrastructure and Enterprise API's Separable
 - Decouple data producers and consumers
 - Register data grams within metadata registry
- ✓ **DETERRENCE**
 - Undesirable Consequences
- ✓ **PREVENTION**
 - Minimize Attack Surface
- ✓ **DETECTION**
 - Visual, Alarm, Loss of Function
- ✓ **RESPONSE**
 - Destruction, Disabling, Zeroization