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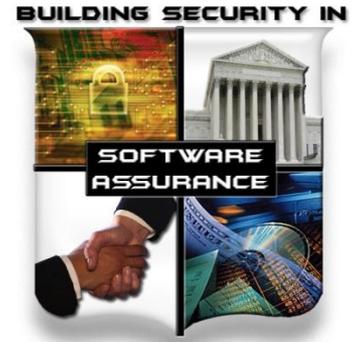
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Public/Private Collaboration Efforts for  
Software Supply Chain Risk Management

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# **Software Assurance: Enabling Software Resilience and Mitigating Supply Chain Risk**

Dec 6, 2010

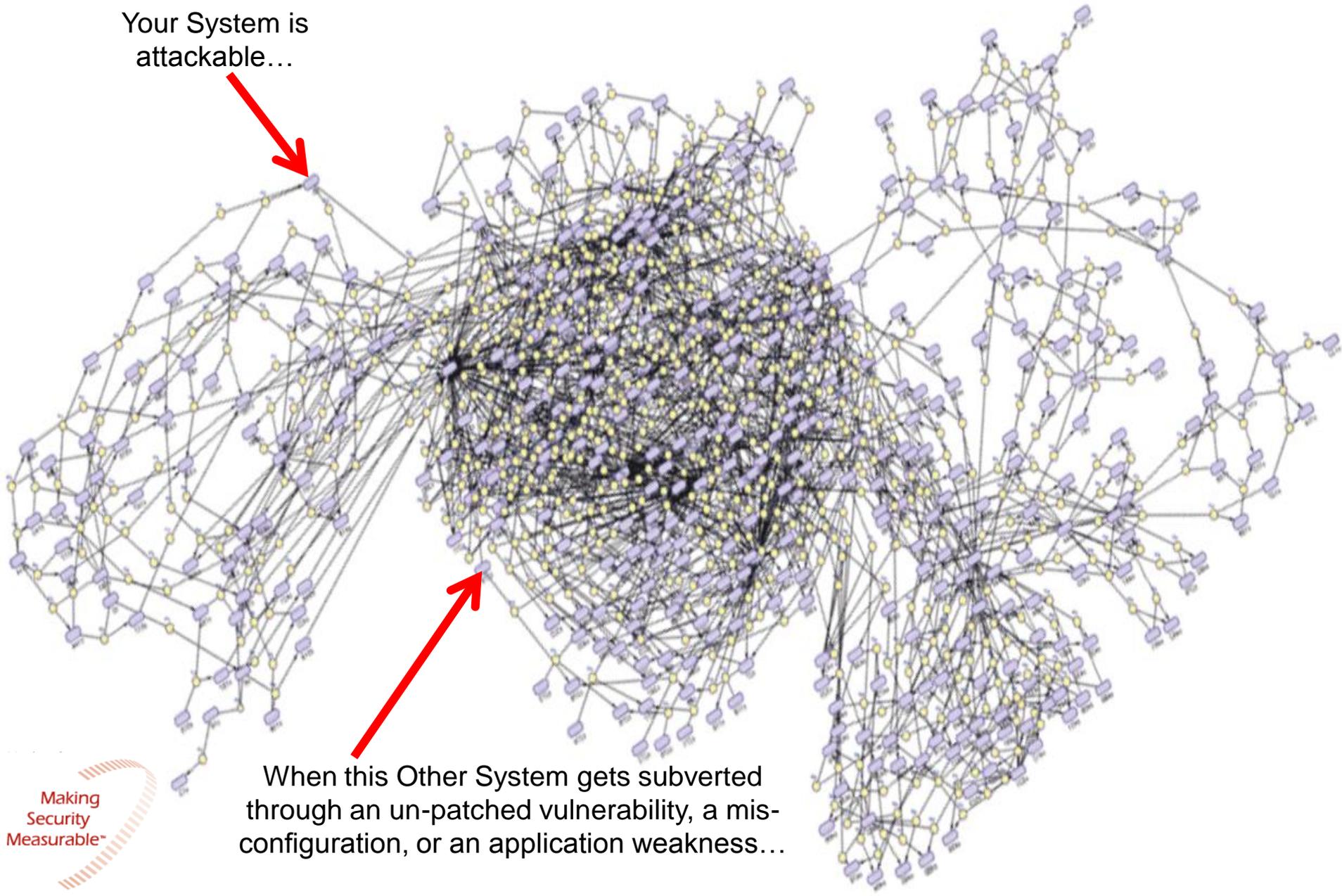


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# Today Everything's Connected

Your System is  
attackable...

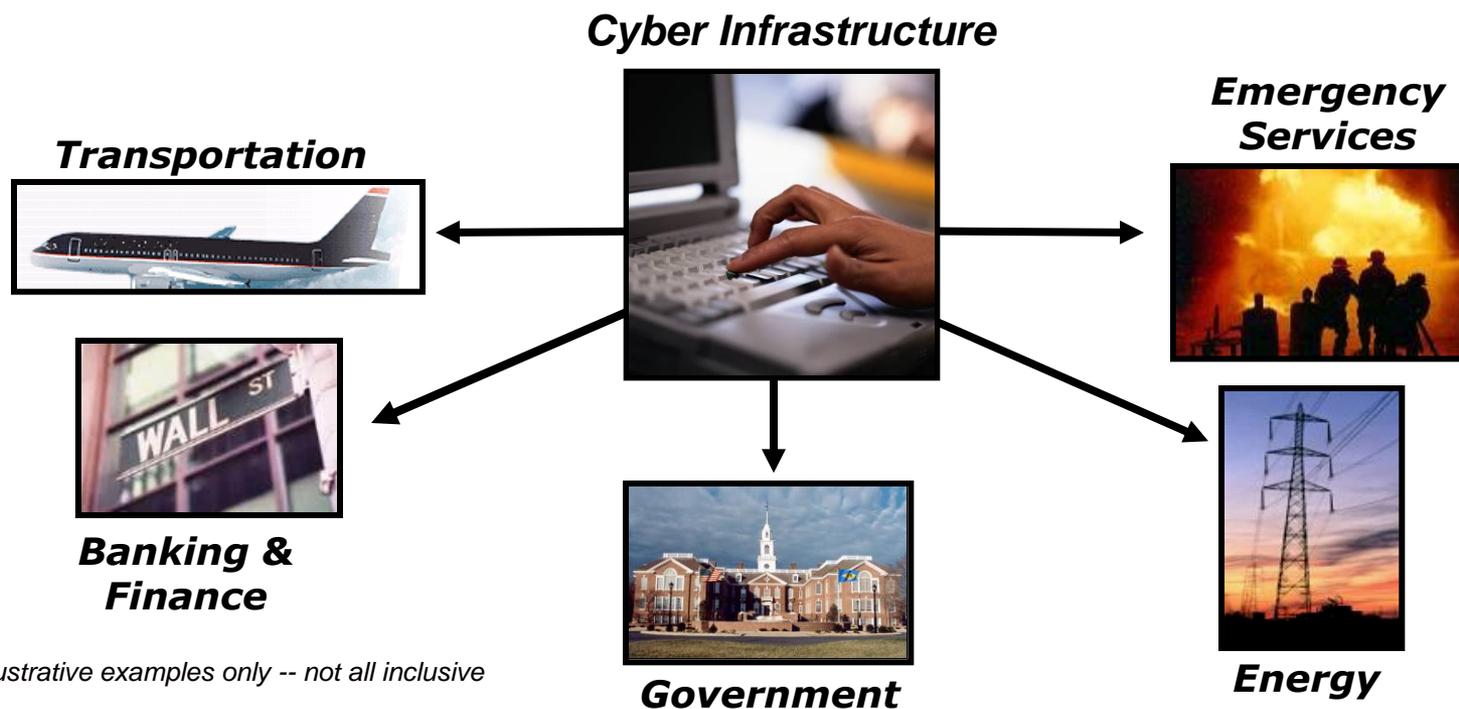


When this Other System gets subverted  
through an un-patched vulnerability, a mis-  
configuration, or an application weakness...



# Cyber Infrastructure: Critical to National and Economic Security

**Cyber Infrastructure** represents the convergence of information technology and communications systems, is inherent to nearly every aspect of modern life



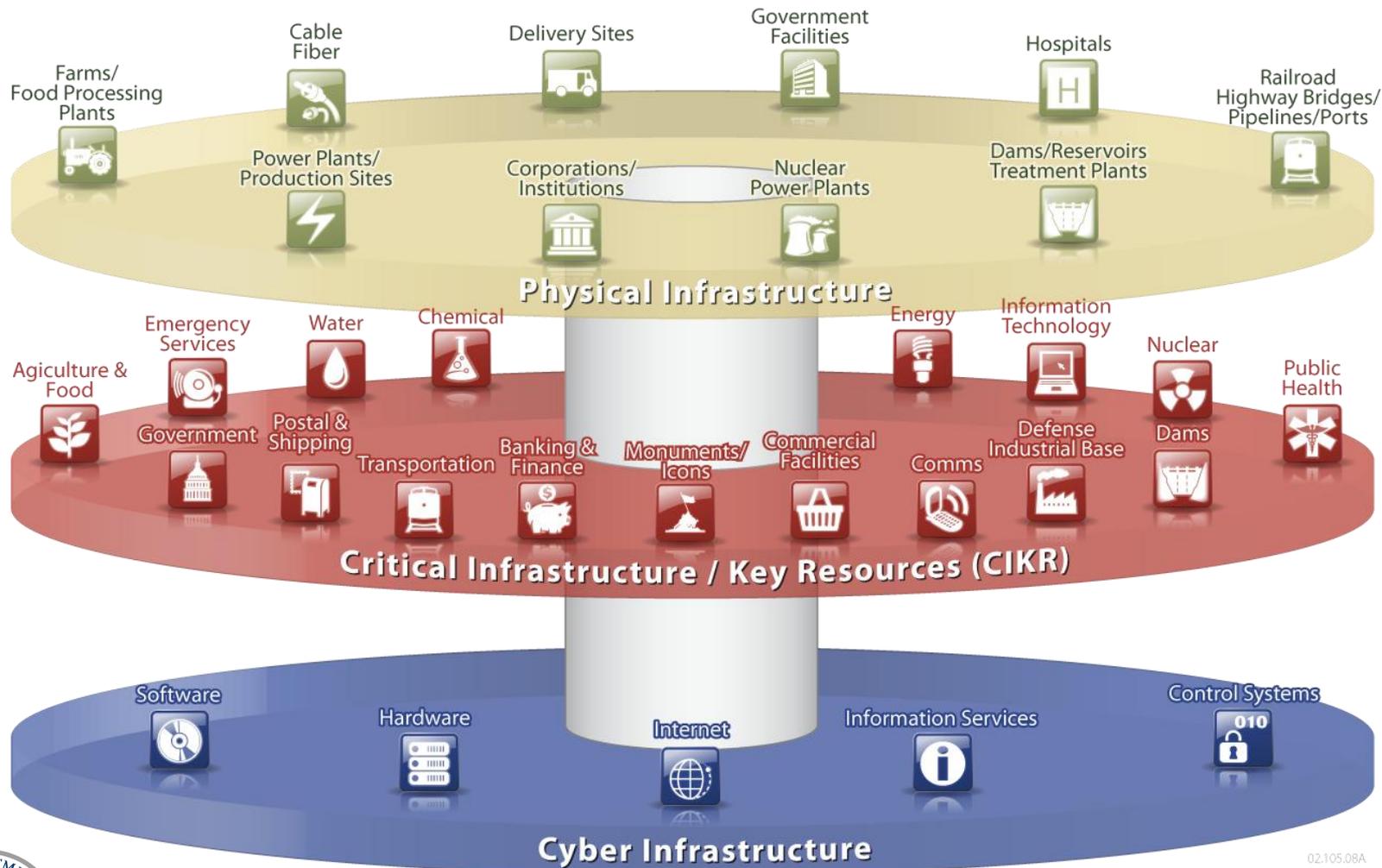
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# Interdependencies Between Physical & Cyber Infrastructures: Requires Convergence of Safety, Security and Dependability

-- Need for secure software applications



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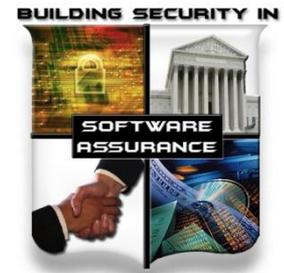
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# Security is a Requisite Quality Attribute: Vulnerable Software Enables Exploitation

- Rather than attempt to break or defeat network or system security, hackers are opting to target application software to circumvent security controls.
  - ❑ **75% of hacks occurred at application level**
    - “90% of software attacks were aimed at application layer” (Gartner & Symantec, June 2006)
  - ❑ most exploitable software vulnerabilities are attributable to non-secure coding practices (and not identified in testing).
- Functional correctness must be exhibited even when software is subjected to abnormal and hostile conditions



In an era riddled with asymmetric cyber attacks, claims about system reliability, integrity & safety must include provisions for built-in security of the enabling software.



# Critical Considerations

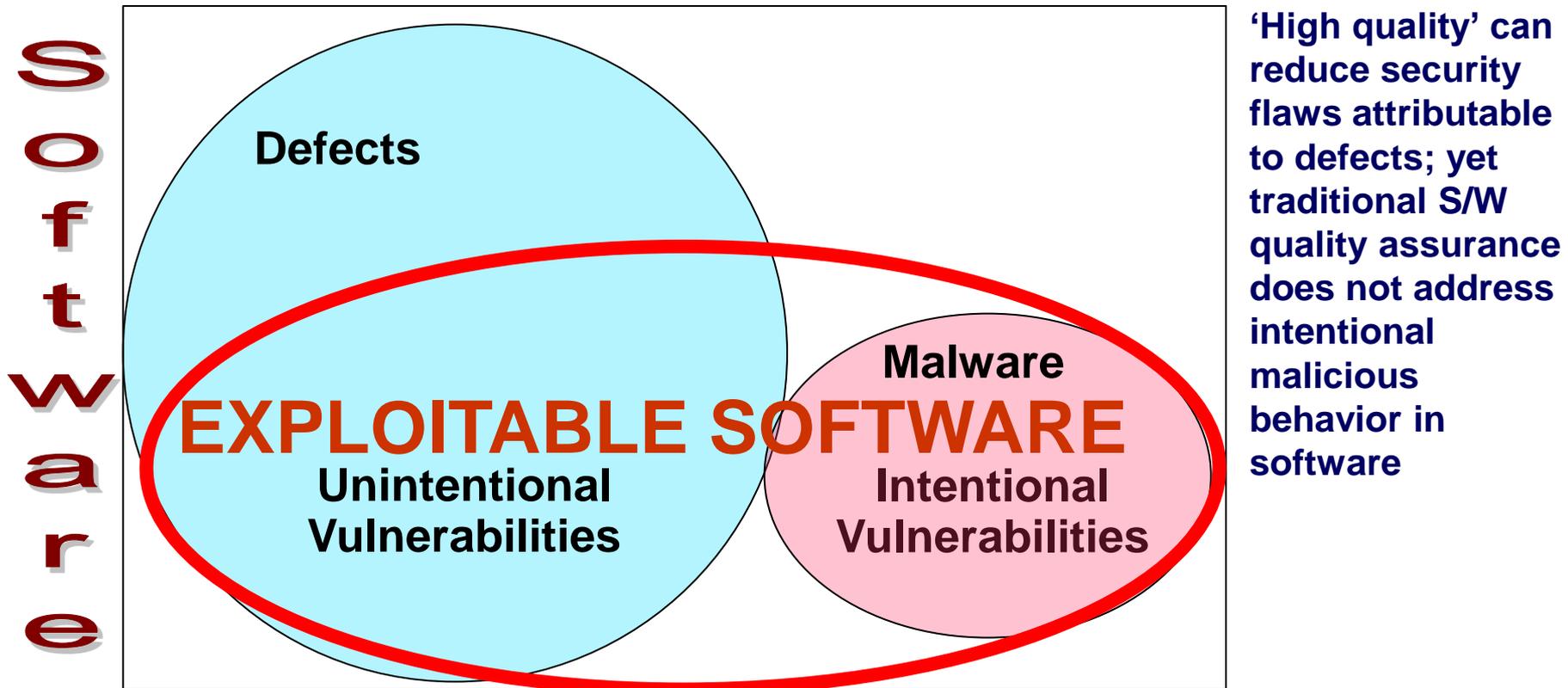
- ▶ Software is the core constituent of modern products and services – it enables functionality and business operations
- ▶ Dramatic increase in mission risk due to increasing:
  - Software dependence and system interdependence (weakest link syndrome)
  - Software Size & Complexity (obscures intent and precludes exhaustive test)
  - Outsourcing and use of un-vetted software supply chain (COTS & custom)
  - Attack sophistication (easing exploitation)
  - Reuse (unintended consequences increasing number of vulnerable targets)
  - Number of vulnerabilities & incidents with threats targeting software
  - Risk of Asymmetric Attack and Threats
- ▶ Increasing awareness and concern

**Software and the processes for acquiring and developing software represent a material weakness**

# Software Assurance Addresses Exploitable Software:

Outcomes of non-secure practices and/or malicious intent

Exploitation potential of vulnerability is independent of “intent”



\*Intentional vulnerabilities: spyware & malicious logic deliberately imbedded (might not be considered defects)

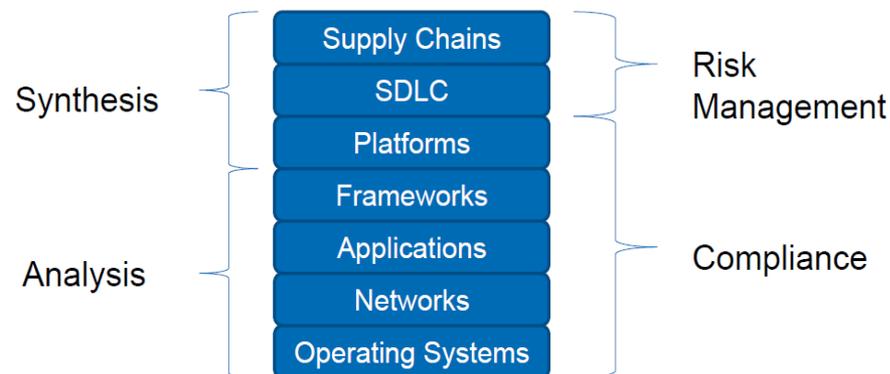
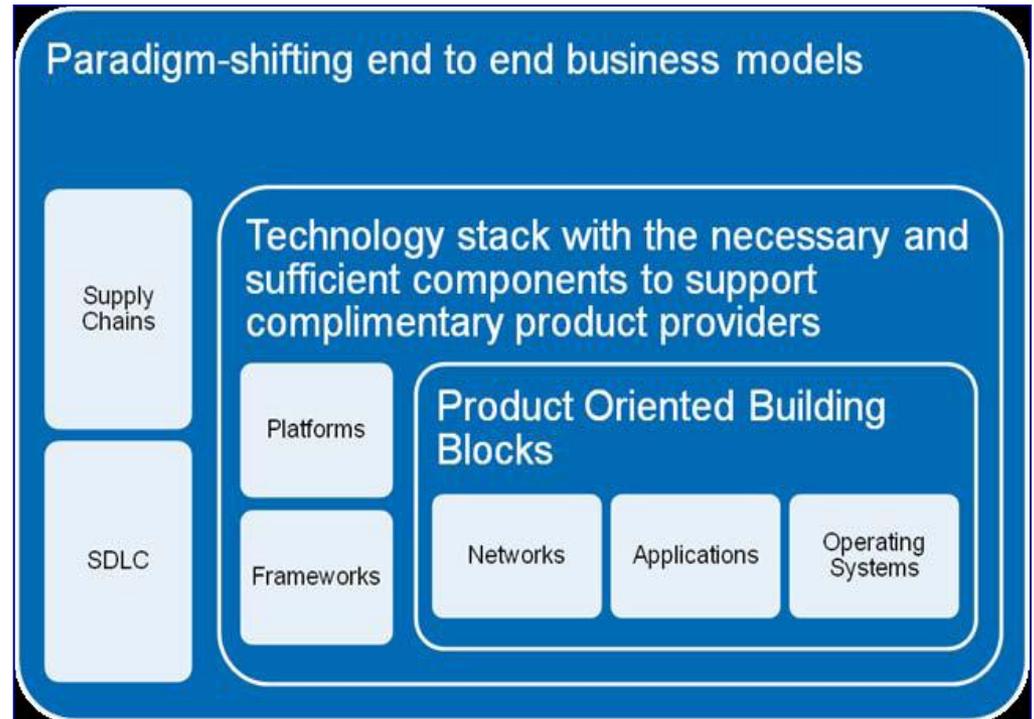
# IT/software security risk landscape is a convergence between “defense in depth” and “defense in breadth”

Enterprise Risk Management and Governance are security motivators

Acquisition could be considered the beginning of the lifecycle; more than development

“In the digital age, sovereignty is demarcated not by territorial frontiers but by supply chains.”

– Dan Geer, CISO In-Q-Tel



Software Assurance provides a focus for:

- Secure Software Components,
- Security in the Software Life Cycle,
- Software Security in Services, and
- Software Supply Chain Risk Management

# Security-Enhanced Capabilities: Mitigating Risks to the Enterprise

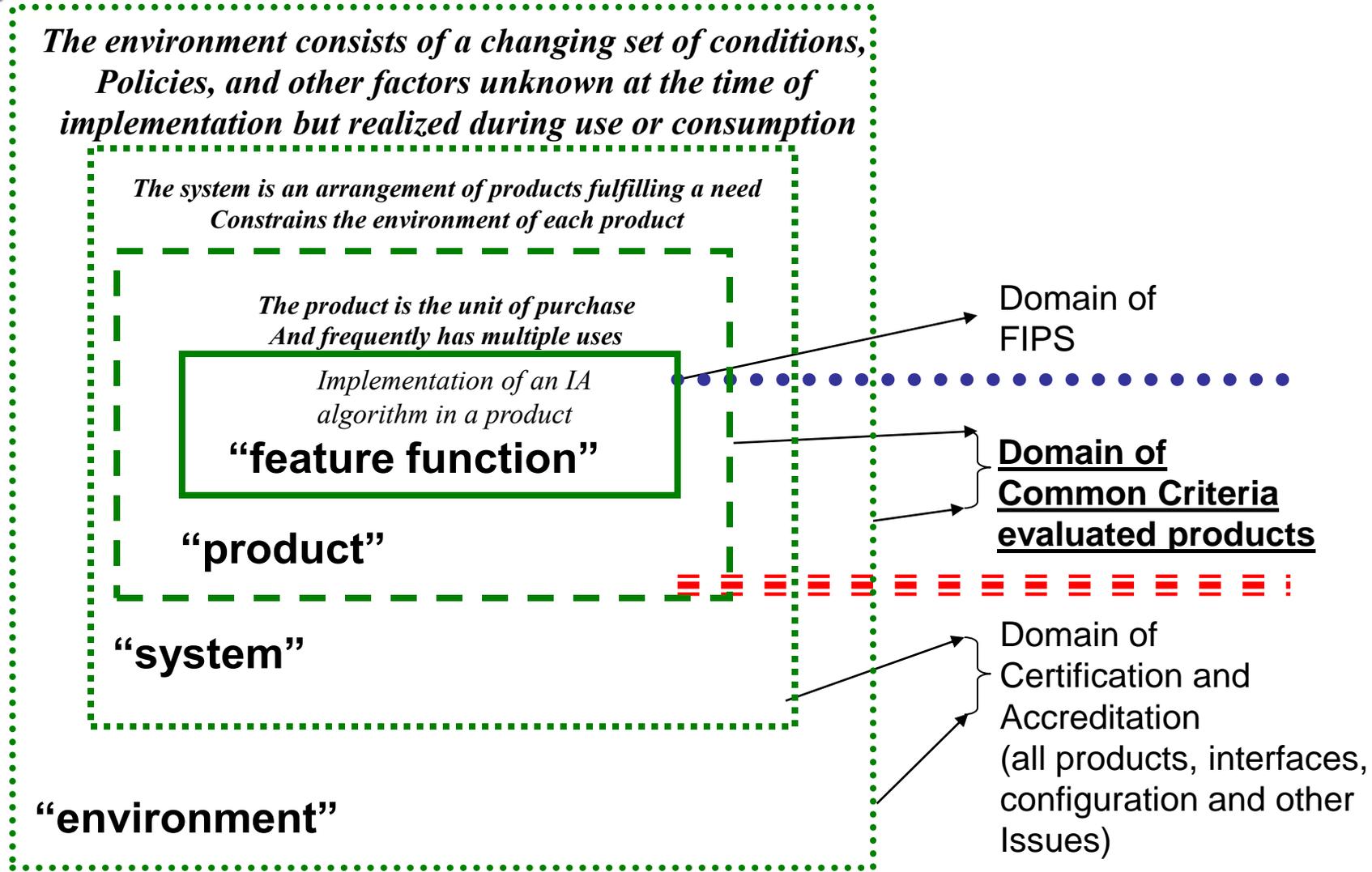


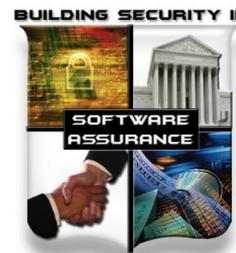
- ▶ With today's global software supply chain, Software Engineering, Quality Assurance, Testing and Project Management must explicitly address security risks posed by exploitable software.
  - Traditional processes do not explicitly address software-related security risks that can be passed from projects to using organizations.
- ▶ Mitigating Supply Chain Risks requires an understanding and management of Suppliers' Capabilities, Products and Services
  - Enterprise risks stemming from supply chain are influenced by suppliers and acquisition projects (including procurement, SwEng, QA, & testing).
  - IT/Software Assurance processes/practices span development/acquisition.
  - Derived (non-explicit) security requirements should be elicited/considered.
- ▶ More comprehensive diagnostic capabilities and standards are needed to support processes and provide transparency for more informed decision-making for mitigating risks to the enterprise





# Context for Enterprise IT Security and Layered Assurance





# Assurance Challenges in Mitigating Software Supply Chain Risks

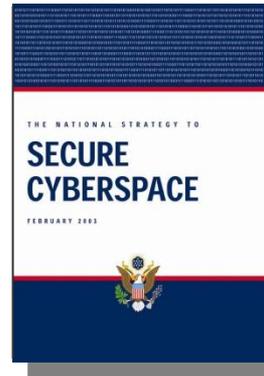
- ▶ Complexity hampers our ability to determine and predict code behavior; so any “assurance” claims for security/safety-critical applications are limited.
- ▶ Without adequate diagnostic capabilities and commonly recognized standards from which to benchmark process capabilities and assert claims about the assurance of products, systems and services, the “providence and pedigree of supply chain actors” become a more dominant consideration for security/safety-critical applications:
  - Enterprises and Consumers lack requisite transparency for more informed decision-making for mitigating risks;
  - Favoring domestic suppliers does not necessarily address ‘assurance’ in terms of capabilities to deliver secure/safe components, systems or software-reliant services.
- ▶ Several needs arise:
  - Need internationally recognized standards to support processes and provide transparency for more informed decision-making for mitigating enterprise risks.
  - Need ‘Assurance’ to be explicitly addressed in standards & capability benchmarking models for organizations involved with security/safety-critical applications.
  - Need more comprehensive diagnostic capabilities to provide sufficient evidence that “code behavior” can be well understood to not possess exploitable or malicious constructs.
  - Need rating schemes for software products and supplier capabilities



# DHS Software Assurance Program Overview

- ▶ Program established in response to the National Strategy to Secure Cyberspace - Action/Recommendation 2-14:

*“DHS will facilitate a national public-private effort to promulgate best practices and methodologies that promote integrity, security, and reliability in software code development, including processes and procedures that diminish the possibilities of erroneous code, malicious code, or trap doors that could be introduced during development.”*



- ▶ DHS Program goals promote the **security and resilience** of software across the development, acquisition, and operational life cycle
- ▶ DHS Software Assurance (SwA) program is scoped to address:
  - **Trustworthiness** - No exploitable vulnerabilities or malicious logic exist in the software, either intentionally or unintentionally inserted,
  - **Dependability (Correct and Predictable Execution)** - Justifiable confidence that software, when executed, functions as intended,
  - **Survivability** - If compromised, damage to the software will be minimized; it will recover quickly to an acceptable level of operating capacity; it's 'rugged';
  - **Conformance** – Planned, systematic set of multi-disciplinary activities that ensure processes/products conform to requirements, standards/procedures.



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See [Wikipedia.org](http://Wikipedia.org) for "Software Assurance" - CNSS Instruction No. 4009, "National Information Assurance Glossary," Revised 2006, defines Software Assurance as: "the level of confidence that software is free from vulnerabilities, either intentionally designed into the software or accidentally inserted at anytime during its lifecycle, and that the software functions in the intended manner".

# DHS NCSD Software Assurance (SwA) Program

*Through public-private collaboration promotes security and resilience of software throughout the lifecycle; focused on reducing exploitable software weaknesses and addressing means to improve capabilities that routinely develop, acquire, and deploy resilient software products. Collaboratively advancing software-relevant rating schemes*

- **Serves as a focal point for interagency public-private collaboration to enhance development and acquisition processes and capability benchmarking to address software security needs.**
  - Hosts interagency Software Assurance Forums, Working Groups and training to provide public-private collaboration in advancing software security and providing publicly available resources.
  - Provides collaboratively developed, peer-reviewed information resources on Software Assurance, via journals, guides & on-line resources suitable for use in education, training, and process improvement.
  - Provides input and criteria for leveraging international standards and maturity models used for process improvement and capability benchmarking of software suppliers and acquisition organizations.
- **Enables software security automation and measurement capabilities through use of common indexing and reporting capabilities for malware, exploitable software weaknesses, and common attacks which target software.**
  - Collaborates with the National Institute of Standards and Technology, international standards organizations, and tool vendors to create standards, metrics and certification mechanisms from which tools can be qualified for software security verification.
  - Manages programs for Malware Attribute Enumeration Classification (MAEC), Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE), and Common Attack Pattern Enumeration and Classification (CAPEC).
  - Manages programs for Common Vulnerabilities & Exposures (CVE) and Open Vulnerability & Assessment Language (OVAL) that provide information feeds for Security Content Automation Protocol (SCAP), vulnerability databases, and security/threat alerts from many organizations



# Software Assurance “End State” Objectives...

- ▶ **Government, in collaboration with industry / academia, raised expectations for product assurance with requisite levels of integrity and security:**
  - Helped advance more comprehensive software assurance diagnostic capabilities to mitigate risks stemming from exploitable vulnerabilities and weaknesses;
  - Collaboratively advanced use of software security measurement & benchmarking schemes
  - Promoted use of methodologies and tools that enabled security to be part of normal business.
- ▶ **Acquisition managers & users factored risks posed by the software supply chain as part of the trade-space in risk mitigation efforts:**
  - Information on suppliers’ process capabilities (business practices) would be used to determine security risks posed by the suppliers’ products and services to the acquisition project and to the operations enabled by the software.
  - Information about evaluated products would be available, along with responsive provisions for discovering exploitable vulnerabilities, and products would be securely configured in use.
- ▶ **Suppliers delivered quality products with requisite integrity and made assurance claims about the IT/software safety, security and dependability:**
  - Relevant standards would be used from which to base business practices & make claims;
  - Qualified tools used in software lifecycle enabled developers/testers to mitigate security risks;
  - Standards and qualified tools would be used to certify software by independent third parties;
  - IT/software workforce had requisite knowledge/skills for developing secure, quality products.





# Software Assurance Forum & Working Groups\*

... encourage the production, evaluation and acquisition of better quality and more secure software through targeting

People	Processes	Technology	Acquisition
Developers and users education & training	Sound practices, standards, & practical guidelines for secure software development	Security test criteria, diagnostic tools, common enumerations, SwA R&D, and SwA measurement	Software security improvements through due-diligence questions, specs and guidelines for acquisitions/ outsourcing

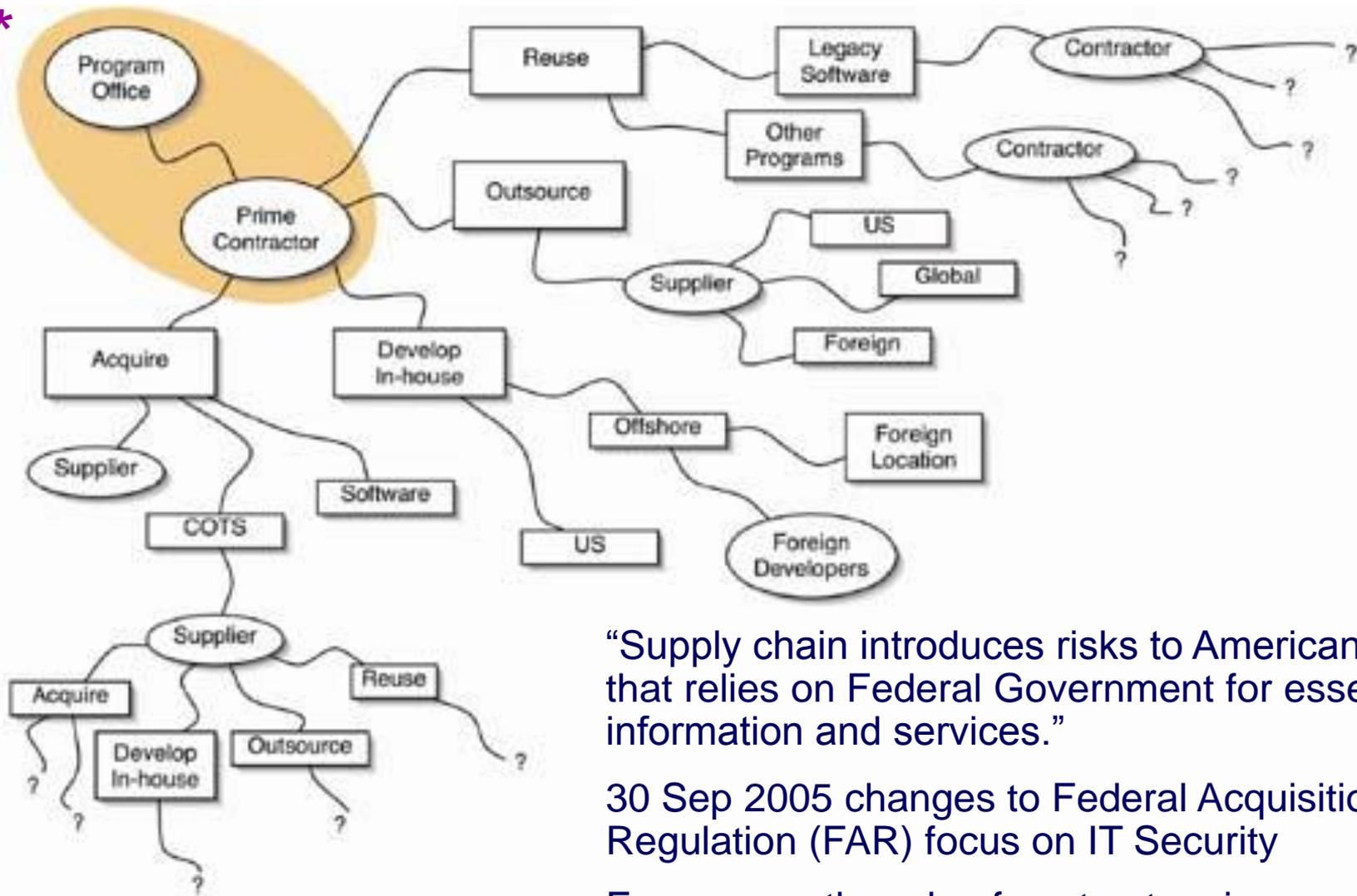
## Products and Contributions

<p>Build Security In - <a href="https://buildsecurityin.us-cert.gov">https://buildsecurityin.us-cert.gov</a> and SwA community resources &amp; info clearinghouse</p> <p>SwA Common Body of Knowledge (CBK) &amp; Glossary            Organization of SwSys Security Principles/Guidelines            SwA Developers' Guide on Security-Enhancing SDLC</p> <p>Software Security Assurance State of the Art Report            Systems Assurance Guide (via DoD and NDIA)</p> <p>SwA-related standards – ISO/IEC JTC1 SC7/27/22, IEEE CS, OMG, TOG, &amp; CMM-based Assurance</p>	<p>Practical Measurement Framework for SwA/InfoSec            Making the Business Case for Software Assurance</p> <p>SwA Metrics &amp; Tool Evaluation (with NIST)            SwA Ecosystem w/ DoD, NSA, NIST, OMG &amp; TOG            NIST Special Pub 500 Series on SwA Tools</p> <p>Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE) dictionary            Common Attack Pattern Enumeration (CAPEC)</p> <p>SwA in Acquisition: Mitigating Risks to Enterprise Software Project Management for SwA SOAR</p>
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\* SwA Forum is part of Cross-Sector Cyber Security Working Group (CSCSWG) established under auspices of the Critical Infrastructure Partnership Advisory Council (CIPAC) that provides legal framework for participation.

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“Supply chain introduces risks to American society that relies on Federal Government for essential information and services.”

30 Sep 2005 changes to Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) focus on IT Security

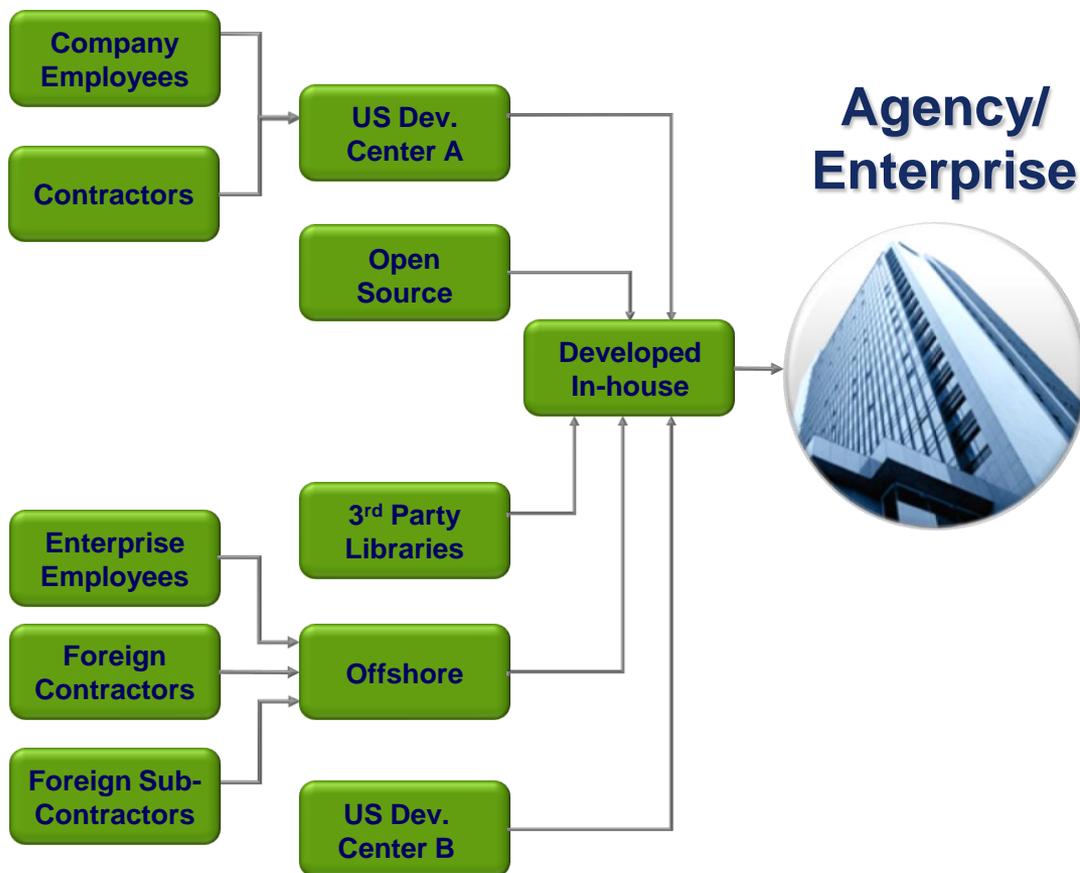
Focuses on the role of contractors in security as Federal agencies outsource various IT functions.

# Enterprise Processes for deploying capabilities: Increasingly Distributed and Complex

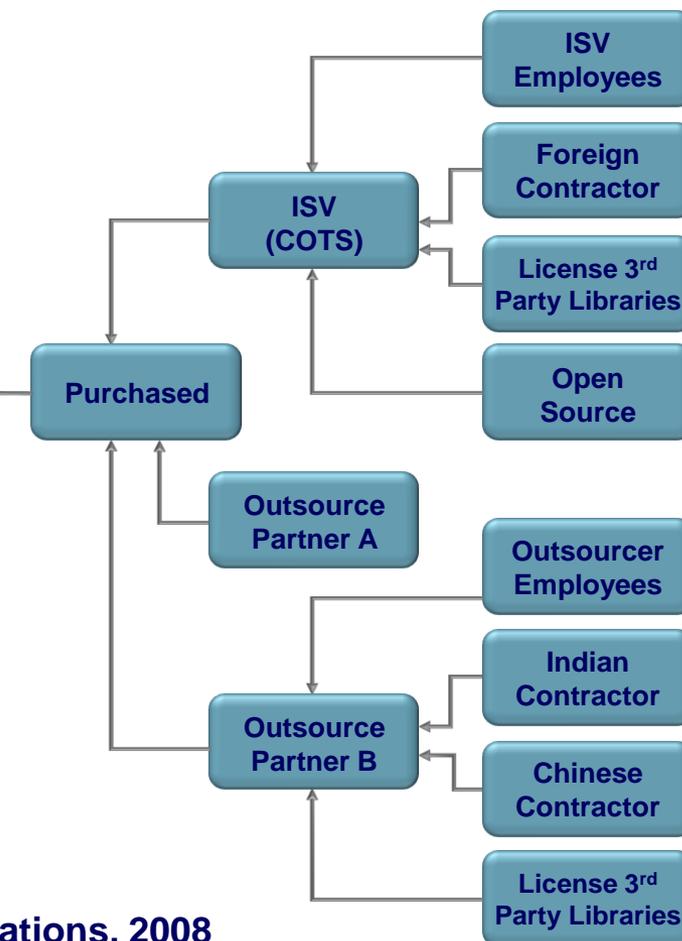


## New Considerations for Quality & Security

### Development Process



### Procurement Process



Source: SwA WG Panel presentations, 2008

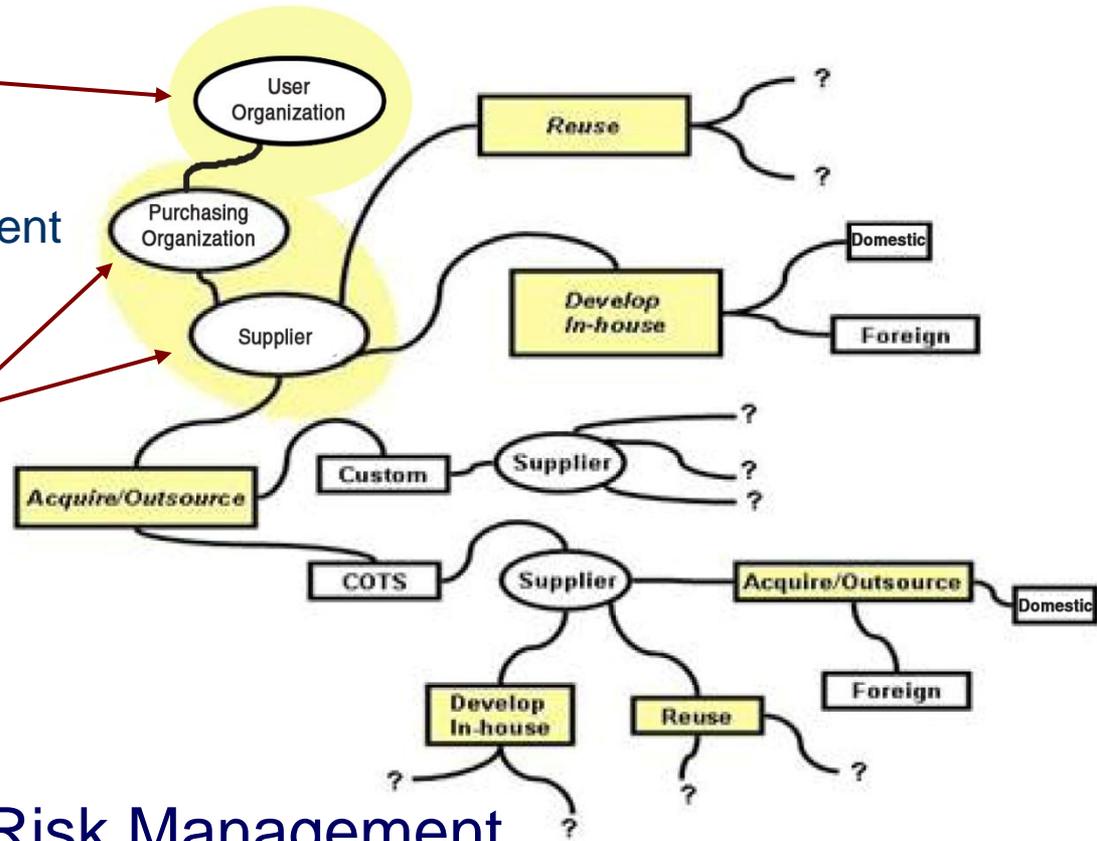
# Risk Management (Enterprise $\Leftrightarrow$ Project): Shared Processes & Practices // Different Focuses

## ▶ Enterprise-Level:

- Regulatory compliance
- Changing threat environment
- Business Case

## ▶ Program/Project-Level:

- Cost
- Schedule
- Performance



Software Supply Chain Risk Management  
traverses enterprise and program/project interests

# The New Issue is Virtual Security



- ▶ In addition to physical security, we now worry about cyber risks:
  - Theft of intellectual property
  - Fake or counterfeit products
  - Import/export of strong encryption
  - IT/software with deliberately embedded malicious functionality
    - Logic bombs and self-modifying code
    - Other “added features” like key loggers
    - Deliberately hidden back doors for unauthorized remote access
  - Exploitable IT/software from suppliers with poor security practices
    - Failure to use manufacturing processes/capabilities to design and build secure products (no malicious intent) in delivering exploitable products
    - Resuppliers (VARs, integrators, and service providers) often lack incentives and capabilities to adequately check content of sub-contracted and outsourced IT/software products
  
- ▶ IT/software security laws, policies, & standards are immature





# Understanding the Threat and Controlling the Attack

One who knows the enemy and knows himself will not be endangered in a hundred engagements.

One who does not know the enemy but knows himself will sometimes be victorious; sometimes meet with defeat.

One who knows neither the enemy nor himself will invariably be defeated in every engagement.

■ The Art of War, Sun Tzu

**An appropriate defense can only be established if one knows its weaknesses and how it will be attacked; thus controlling attack surface/vectors**

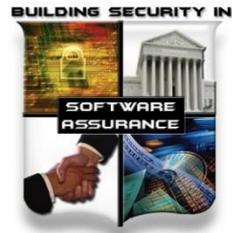
■ Software Assurance Forum, Joe Jarzombek



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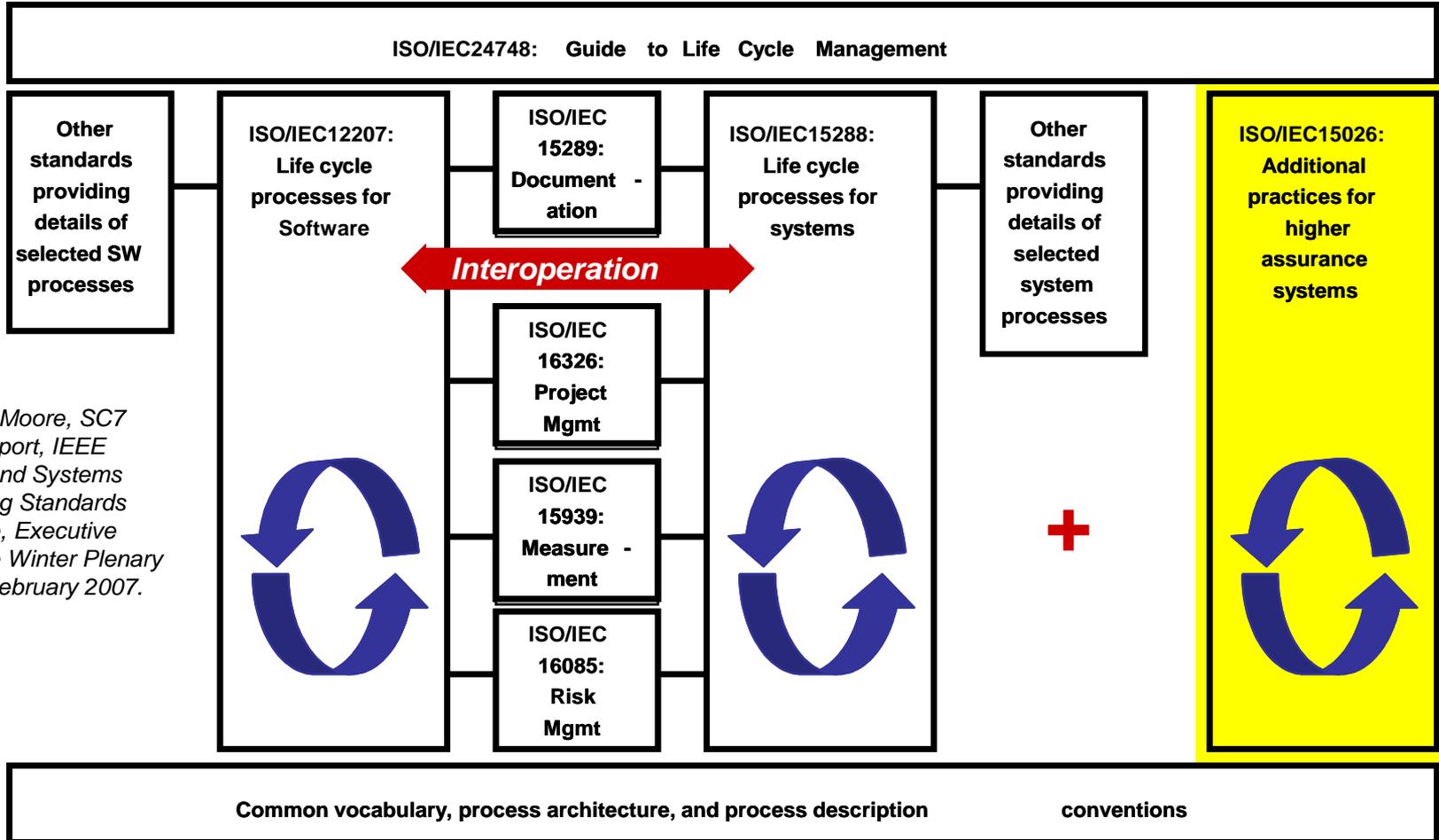
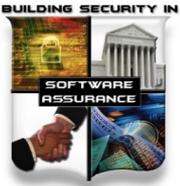


# ISO/IEC JTC1

- **SC22: ISO/IEC Technical Report (TR) 24772 Information technology -- Programming languages -- Guidance to avoiding vulnerabilities in programming languages through language selection and use.**
  - This technical report was reviewed and approved by the project editor, then published in early October.
  - As published, the document includes language-independent summaries of nearly 70 classes of vulnerabilities.
  - The working group is already drafting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition of the report which will add information specific to individual programming languages.
  
- **SC7: ISO/IEC 15026-2, Software Assurance Case has entered Final Draft International Standard (FDIS) ballot; the final ISO/IEC ballot completed in December 2010.**
  - Upon completion, it will be submitted for its final IEEE recirculation.
  - It is reasonable to anticipate publication of the standard, by both ISO/IEC and IEEE, in spring 2011.



# ISO/IEC/IEEE 15026, System and Software Assurance



Source: J. Moore, SC7 Liaison Report, IEEE Software and Systems Engineering Standards Committee, Executive Committee Winter Plenary Meeting, February 2007.

“System and software assurance focuses on the management of risk and assurance of safety, security, and dependability within the context of system and software life cycle  
*Terms of Reference changed: ISO/IEC JTC1/SC7 WG7, previously “System and Software Integrity” SC7 WG9*”



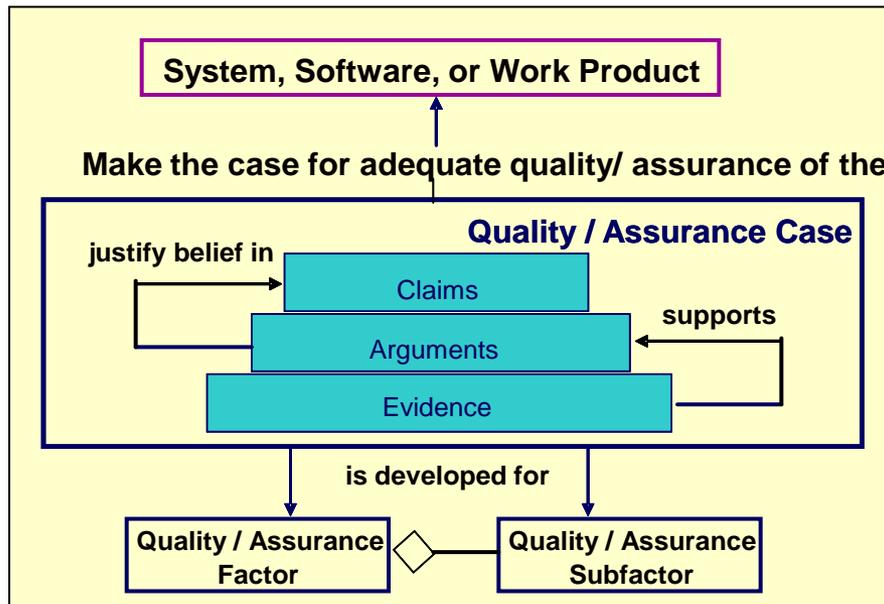
# ISO/IEC/IEEE 15026 Assurance Case

- **Set of structured assurance claims, supported by evidence and reasoning (arguments), that demonstrates how assurance needs have been satisfied.**

- Shows compliance with assurance objectives
- Provides an argument for the safety and security of the product or service.
- Built, collected, and maintained throughout the life cycle
- Derived from multiple sources

- **Sub-parts**

- A high level summary
- Justification that product or service is acceptably safe, secure, or dependable
- Rationale for claiming a specified level of safety and security
- Conformance with relevant standards & regulatory requirements
- The configuration baseline
- Identified hazards and threats and residual risk of each hazard / threat
- Operational & support assumptions



## *Attributes*

- Clear
- Consistent
- Complete
- Comprehensible
- Defensible
- Bounded
- Addresses all life cycle stages



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## Common Criteria v4 CCDB

- TOE to leverage CAPEC & CWE
- Also investigating how to leverage ISO/IEC 15026

## NIAP Evaluation Scheme

- Above plus
- Also investigating how to leverage Security Content Automation Protocol (SCAP)

### New Work Item Proposal

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#### PROPOSAL FOR A NEW WORK ITEM

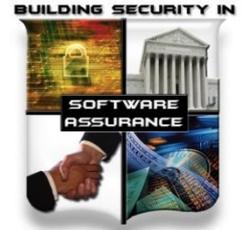
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A proposal for a new work item shall be submitted to the secretariat of the ISO/IEC joint technical committee concerned with a copy to the ISO Central Secretariat.

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<b>Title</b> Secure software development and evaluation under ISO/IEC 15408 and ISO/IEC 18405
<b>Scope</b> In the case where a target of evaluation (TOE) being evaluated, under ISO/IEC 15408 and ISO/IEC 18405, includes specific software portions, the TOE developer may optionally present the developer's technical rationale for mitigating software common attack patterns and related weaknesses as described in the latest revision of the Common Attack Pattern Enumeration and Classification (CAPEC) available from <a href="http://capec.mitre.org/">http://capec.mitre.org/</a> . The developer's technical rationale is expected to include a range of mitigation techniques, from architectural properties to design features, coding techniques, use of tools or other means. This Technical Report (TR) provides guidance for the developer and the evaluator on how to use the CAPEC as a technical reference point during the TOE development life cycle and in an evaluation of the TOE secure software under ISO/IEC 15408 and 18045, by addressing: a) A refinement of the IS 15408 Attack Potential calculation table for software, taking into account the entries contained in the CAPEC and their characterization. b) How the information for mitigating software common attack patterns and related weaknesses is used in an IS 15408 evaluation, in particular providing guidance on how to determine which attack patterns and weaknesses are applicable to the TOE, taking into consideration of 1. the TOE technology; 2. the TOE security problem definition; 3. the interfaces the TOE exports that can be used by potential attackers; 4. the Attack Potential that the TOE needs to provide resistance for. c) How the technical rationale provided by the developer for mitigating software common attack patterns and related weaknesses is used in the evaluation of the TOE design and the development of test cases. d) How the CAPEC and related Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE) taxonomies are used by the evaluator, who needs to consider all the applicable attack patterns and be able to exploit specific related software weaknesses while performing the subsequent vulnerability analysis (AVA_VAN) activities on the TOE. e) How incomplete entries from the CAPEC are resolved during an IS 15408 evaluation. f) How the evaluator's attack and weakness analysis of the TOE incorporates other attacks and weaknesses not yet documented in the CAPEC. The TR also investigates specific elements from the ISO/IEC 15026 (and its revision) are applicable to the guidelines being developed in the TR within the context of IS 15408 and 18405.

# Need for Rating Schemes



- ▶ Rating of Suppliers providing software products and services
  - Standards-based or model-based frameworks to support process improvement and enable benchmarking of organizational capabilities
  - Credential programs for professionals involved in software lifecycle activities and decisions
- ▶ Rating of Software products:
  - Supported by automation
  - Standards-based
  - Rules for aggregation and scaling
  - Verifiable by independent third parties
  - Labeling to support various needs (eg., security, dependability, etc)
  - Meaningful and economical for consumers and suppliers

Collaborate with  
OWASP  
“Security Facts”  
labeling efforts



# SwA Collaboration for Content & Peer Review



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*Setting a higher standard for software assurance*

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BSI <https://buildsecurityin.us-cert.gov> focuses on making Software Security a normal part of Software Engineering



## Software Assurance

*Community Resources and Information Clearinghouse*

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SwA Community Resources and Information Clearinghouse (CRIC)

<https://buildsecurityin.us-cert.gov/swa/> focuses on all contributing disciplines, practices and methodologies that advance risk mitigation efforts to enable greater resilience of software/cyber assets.

The SwA CRIC provides a primary resource for SwA Working Groups.

Where applicable, SwA CRIC & BSI provide relevant links to each other.

# Life-Cycle Standards View Categories (ISO/IEC 15288 and 12207)

## Organization

### Governance Processes

#### Strategy and policy

#### Enterprise risk management

- Compliance
- Business case

#### Supply Chain Management

### Project-Enabling Processes

#### Life Cycle Model Management

#### Infrastructure Management

- SwA ecosystem
- Enumerations, languages, and repositories

#### Project Portfolio Management

#### Human Resource Management

- SwA education
- SwA certification and training
- Recruitment

#### Quality Management

### Agreement Processes

#### Acquisition

- Outsourcing
- Agreements
- Risk-based due diligence
- Supplier assessment

#### Supply

## Project

### Project Management Processes

#### Project Planning

#### Project Assessment and Control

- Assurance case management

### Project Support Processes

#### Decision Management

#### Risk Management

- Threat Assessment

#### Configuration Management

#### Information Management

#### Measurement

## Engineering

### Technical Processes

#### Stakeholder Requirements Definition

#### Requirements Analysis

- Attack modeling (misuse and abuse cases)
- Data and information classification
- Risk-based derived requirements
- Sw security requirements

#### Architectural Design

- Secure Sw architectural design
- Risk-based architectural analysis
- Secure Sw detailed design and analysis

#### Implementation

- Secure coding and Sw construction
- Security code review and static analysis
- Formal methods

#### Integration

- Sw component integration
- Risk analysis of Sw reuse components

#### Verification & Validation

- Risk-based test planning
- Security-enhanced test and evaluation
  - Dynamic and static code analysis
  - Penetration testing
- Independent test and certification

#### Transition

- Secure distribution and delivery
- Secure software environment (secure configuration, application monitoring, code signing, etc)

### Operations and Sustainment

#### Operation

- Incident handling and response

#### Maintenance

- Defect tracking and remediation
- Vulnerability and patch management
- Version control and management

#### Disposal

### Software Reuse Processes

#### Domain Engineering

#### Reuse Asset Management

#### Reuse Program Management

### Software Support Processes

#### Sw Documentation Management

#### Sw Quality Assurance

#### Sw Configuration Management

#### Sw Verification & Sw Validation

#### Sw Review

#### Sw Audit

#### Sw Problem Resolution

# Software Assurance (SwA) Pocket Guide Series



## SwA in Acquisition & Outsourcing

- Software Assurance in Acquisition and Contract Language
- Software Supply Chain Risk Management and Due-Diligence

## SwA in Development

- Integrating Security into the Software Development Life Cycle
- Key Practices for Mitigating the Most Egregious Exploitable Software Weaknesses
- Risk-based Software Security Testing
- Requirements and Analysis for Secure Software
- Architecture and Design Considerations for Secure Software
- Secure Coding and Software Construction
- Security Considerations for Technologies, Methodologies & Languages

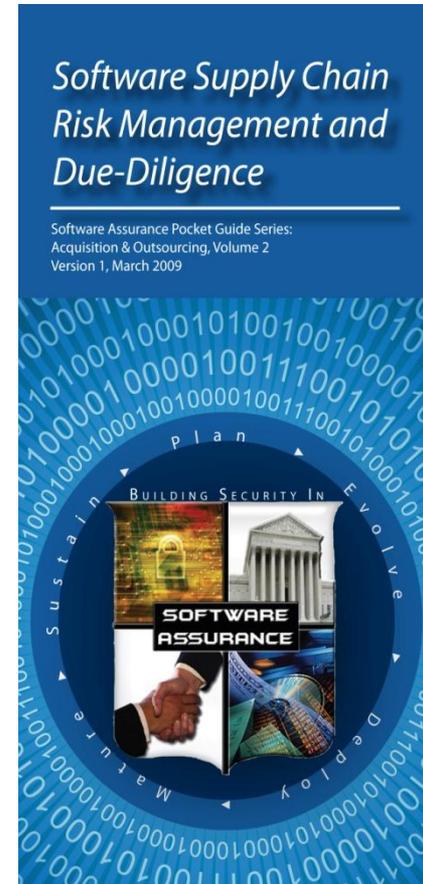
## SwA Life Cycle Support

- SwA in Education, Training and Certification
- Secure Software Distribution, Deployment, and Operations
- Code Transparency & Software Labels
- ★ Assurance Case Management
- Secure Software Environment and Assurance EcoSystem

## SwA Measurement and Information Needs

- Making Software Security Measurable
- Practical Measurement Framework for SwA and InfoSec
- SwA Business Case and Return on Investment

SwA Pocket Guides and SwA-related documents are collaboratively developed with peer review; they are subject to update and are freely available for download via the DHS Software Assurance Community Resources and Information Clearinghouse at <https://buildsecurityin.us-cert.gov/swa> (see SwA Resources)





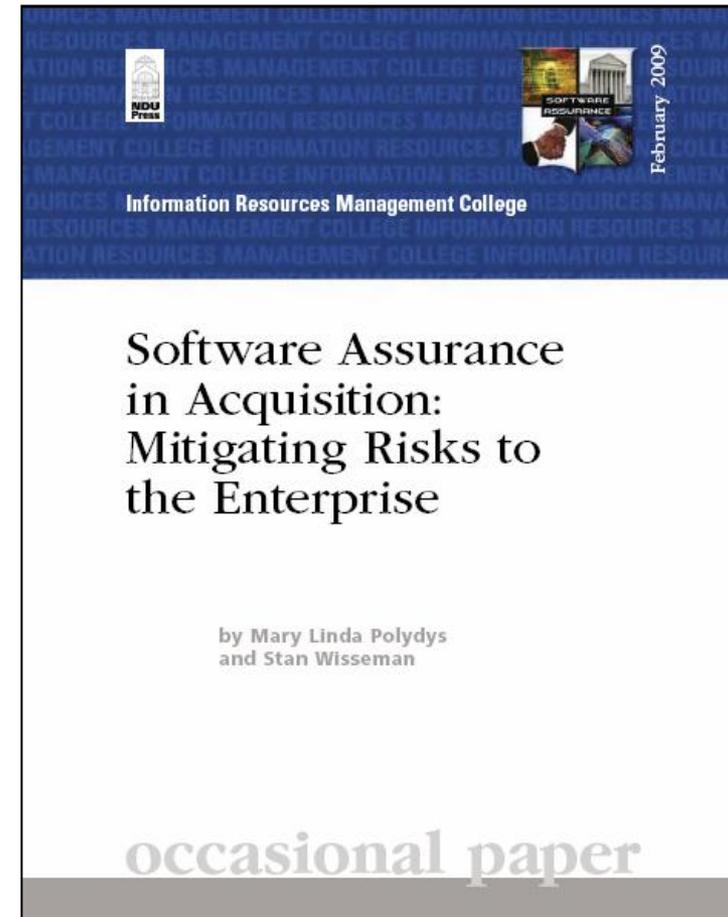
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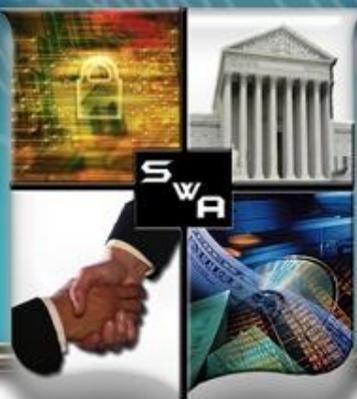
*SwA Acquisition & Outsourcing Handbook*

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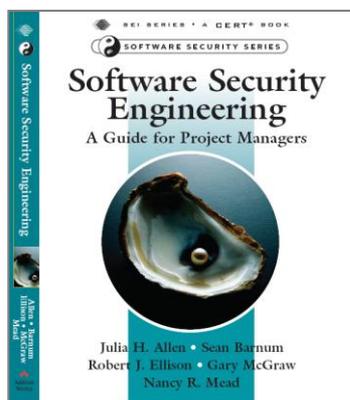
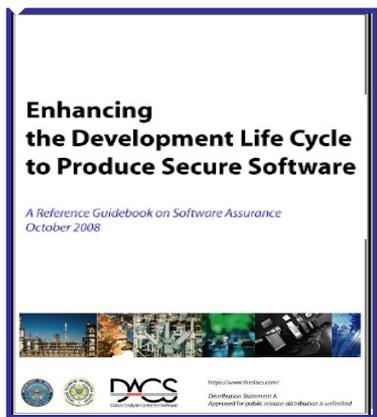




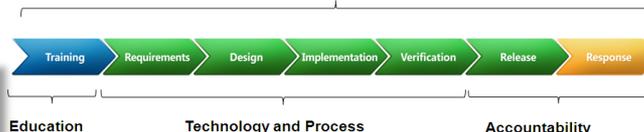
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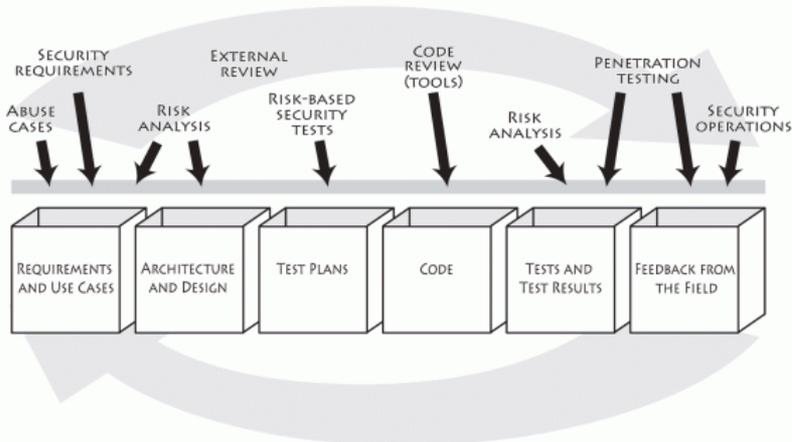
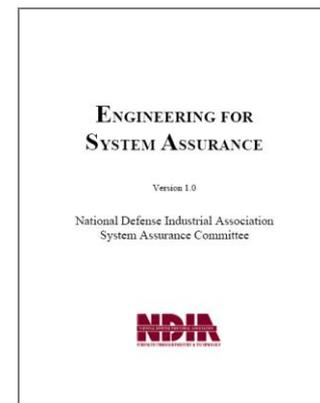


Executive commitment → SDL a mandatory policy at Microsoft since 2004

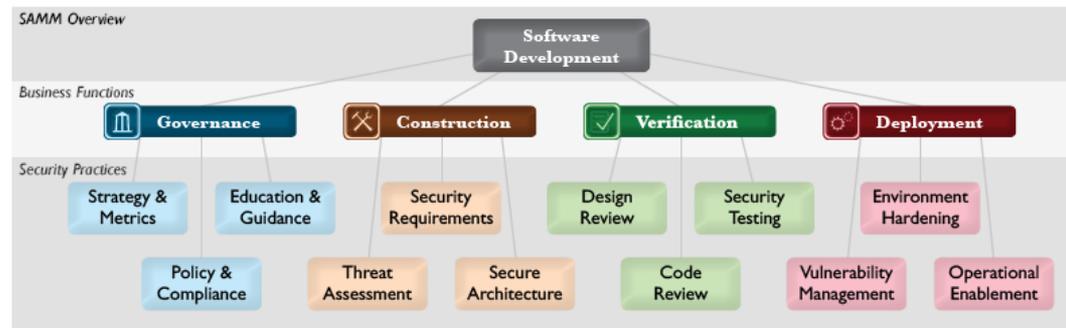


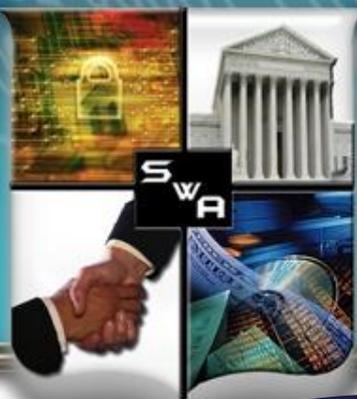
Ongoing Process Improvements → 6 month cycle

<http://www.microsoft.com/sdl>



## Assurance for CMMI ®





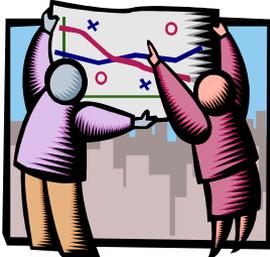
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### *Process Improvement Lifecycle - A Process for Achieving Assurance*

#### Mission/Business Process

Understand Your Business Requirements for Assurance

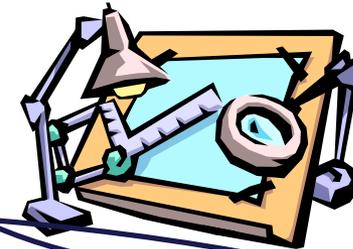


#### Measure Your Results



#### Information System

Build or Refine and Execute Your Assurance Processes



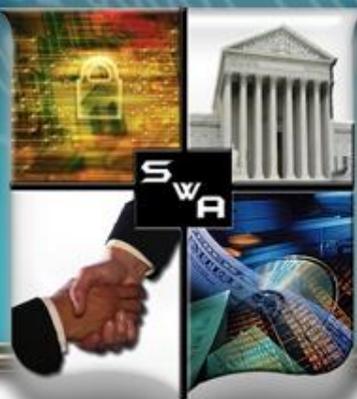
Understand Assurance-Related Process Capability Expectations



#### Organization Support

Look to Standards for Assurance Process Detail

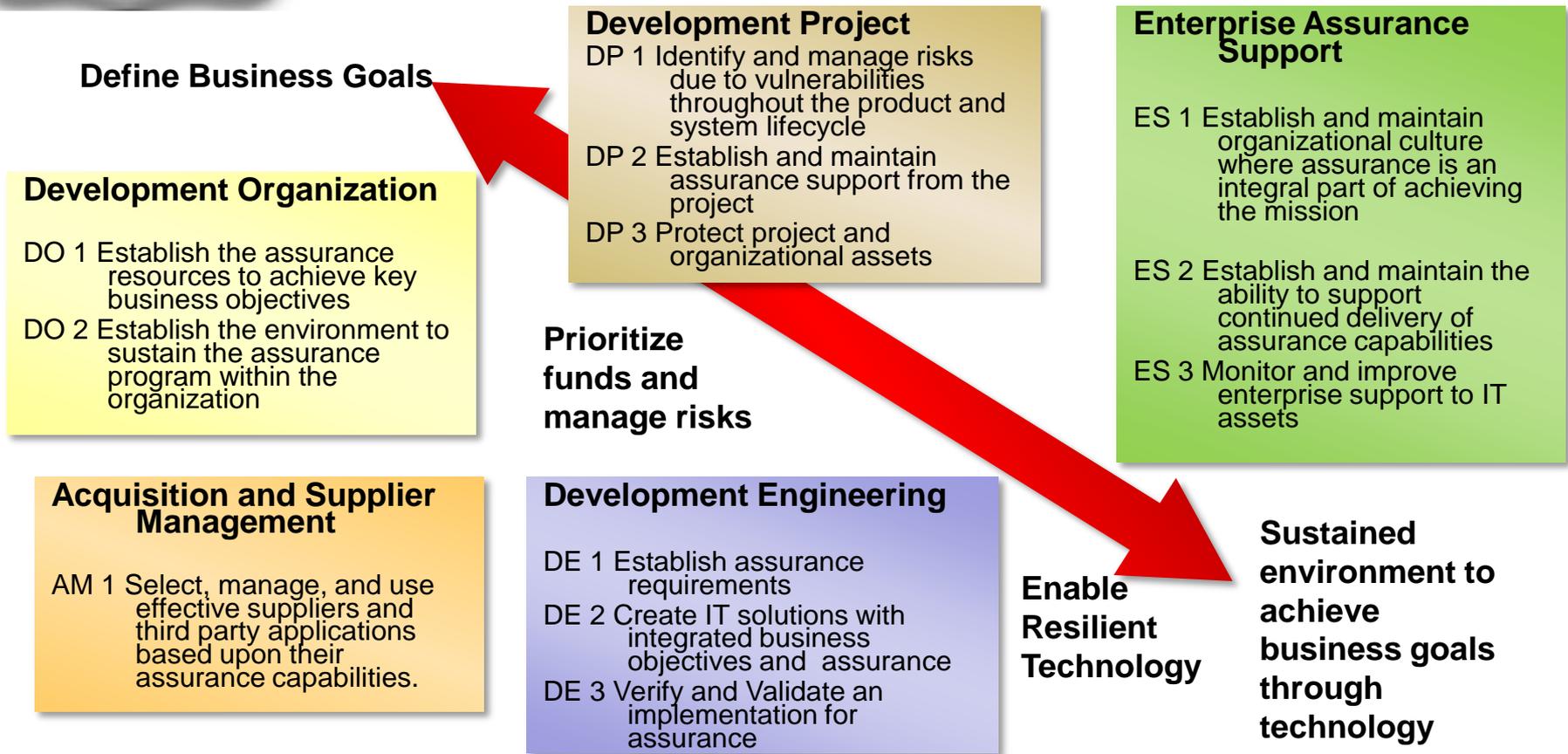




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### *The Assurance PRM Is A Holistic Framework*



**Created to facilitate Communication Across An Organization's Multi-Disciplinary Stakeholders**



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[https://buildsecurityin.us-cert.gov/swa/proself\\_assm.html](https://buildsecurityin.us-cert.gov/swa/proself_assm.html)

The DHS SwA Processes and Practices Working Group has synthesized the contributions of leading government and industry experts into a set of high-level goals and supporting practices (an evolution of the SwA community's Assurance Process Reference Model)

The goals and practices are mapped to specific industry resources providing additional detail and real world implementation and supporting practices

- Assurance Focus for CMMI
- Building Security In Maturity Model
- Open Software Assurance Maturity Model
- CERT® Resilience Management Model
- CMMI for Acquisition
- CMMI for Development
- CMMI for Services
- SwA Community's Assurance Process Reference Model – Initial Mappings
- SwA Community's Assurance Process Reference Model - Self Assessment
- SwA Community's Assurance Process Reference Model – Mapping to Assurance Models

Other valuable resources that are in the process of being mapped include

- NIST IR 7622: DRAFT Piloting Supply Chain Risk Management Practices for Federal Information Systems
- NDIA System Assurance Guidebook
- Microsoft Security Development Lifecycle
- SAFECode



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### *The Process Reference Model For Assurance*

#### Process Reference Model for Assurance – Goals and Practices September 2010

In the following table, all references to “assurance” are intended to include system and software assurance, information assurance, and cyber security in support of the business/mission functions supported by systems and software.

Goal	Practice List
<b>Development – Engineering</b>	
DE 1 Establish assurance requirements	Understand the operating environment and define the operating constraints for mission and information assurance within the environments of system development.
	Develop customer mission and information assurance requirements
	Define product and product component assurance requirements
	Identify operational concepts and associated scenarios for intended and unintended use and associated assurance considerations
	Identify appropriate controls for integrity and availability of the system to in support of organizational objectives
	Analyze assurance requirements
	Balance assurance needs against cost benefits
	Obtain Agreement of risk for assurance level



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*It can be used by acquirers, suppliers and integrators as a tool to discuss areas of strength and weakness*

- What assurance goals are being met?
- What practices are being implemented?
- Who are the suppliers and how are they managing risk?

### SwA Community Assurance Process Reference Model – Self Assessment

In the following table, all references to “assurance” are intended to include system and software assurance, and cyber security in support of the business/mission functions supported by systems and software.

Goal	Practice	Practice Implementation Level	Notes
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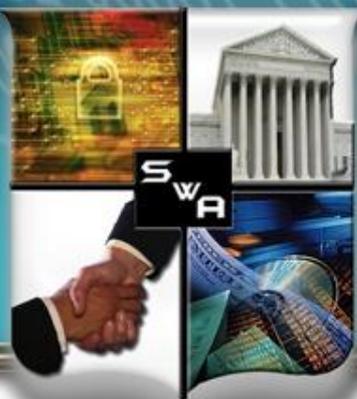
You have been asked to ensure that the OWASP Top Ten (an assurance coding Standard) are not in the Code

You can look at the OSAMM for guidance on how to do it

### SwA Community's Assurance Process Reference Model - Initial Mappings

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Goal	Practice	AF CMMI	BSIMM	CMMI-ACQ	CMMI-DEV	CMMI-SVC	OSAMM	RMM
DE 2 Create IT solutions with integrated business objectives and assurance	Develop alternative solutions and selection criteria for mission and information assurance.	AF TS SP 1.1.1	SFD1.1	ATM SG2	TS SG1		SA1A	RTSE:SG 1 - SG2
			SFD1.2	AVAL SG2			SA1B	KIM:SG2, SG6
	Architect for mission and information assurance.	AF TS SP 2.1.1	SFD2.1	ATM SG2	TS SG2		SA2A	RTSE:SG 3
			SFD2.3	AVAL SG2	TS SG2		SA2B	
	Design for mission and information assurance.	AF TS SP 2.1.2	SFD2.1		TS SG2			
	Implement the mission and information assurance designs of the product components.	AF TS SP 3.1.1		AA3.2		TS SG3	SA1B	
	Identify deviations from mission and information assurance coding standards. Implement appropriate mitigation to meet defined mission and information assurance objectives.	AF TS SP 3.1.2	CR1.4	AVER SG3	TS SG3		CR2A	RTSE:SG 2
			CR2.3				CR2B	RTSE:SG 3
			CR3.1				CR3A	



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across disciplines*

### SwA Community Assurance Process Reference Model – Mapping to Foundational Practices

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Goal	Practice	CMMI-ACQ	CMMI-DEV	CMMI-SVC
<b>Development – Engineering</b>				
DE 1 Establish assurance requirements	Understand the operating environment and define the operating constraints for mission and information assurance within the environments of system development.	PP SG1	IPPD SG1	
	Develop customer mission and information assurance requirements	ARD SG1, SG3	RD SG1	
		REQM SG1		
	Define product and product component assurance requirements	CM SG1	RD SG2	
	Identify operational concepts and associated scenarios for intended and unintended use and associated assurance considerations	RSKM SG1 – SG2	RD SG3	
	Identify appropriate controls for integrity and availability of the system to in support of organizational objectives	RSKM SG1	RSKM SG1	
	Analyze assurance requirements	ARD SG3	RD SG3	
Balance assurance needs against cost benefits	ARD SG3	RD SG3		
Obtain Agreement of risk for assurance level	RSKM SG2	RSKM SG2		

**Efforts are underway to map to**

- **ISO/IEEE 15288**
- **ISO/IEEE 12207**

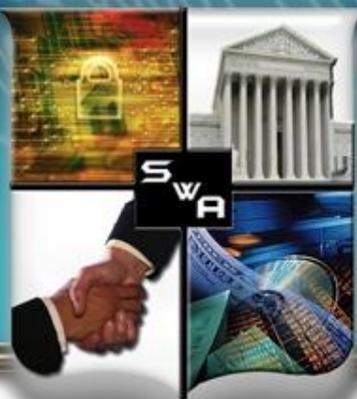


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### *Common SwA References Recommendations for Training*

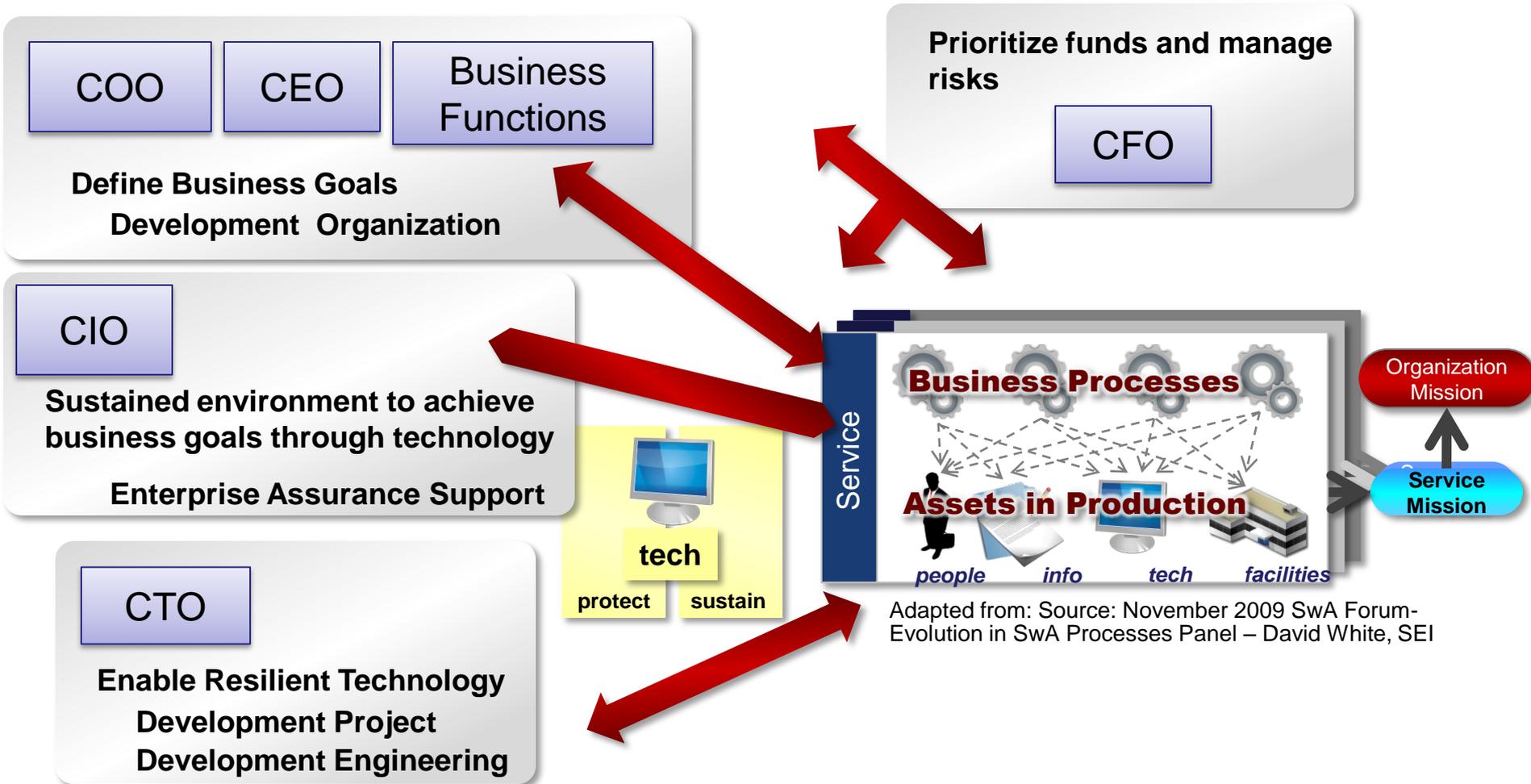
Assurance PRM	SAFEcode	MS SDL	Open SAMM	BSIMM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Establish and maintain the strategic assurance training needs of the organization</li> <li>•Ensure resources have the training needed to do their job</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Foundational (everyone)</li> <li>2. Advanced (secure coding and testing practices)</li> <li>3. Specialized (role-based)</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Basic Concepts</li> <li>2. Common Baseline</li> <li>3. Custom Training</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Technical Security Awareness training</li> <li>2. Role specific guidance</li> <li>3. Comprehensive security training and certifications</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Create the software security satellite</li> <li>2. Make customized, role-based training available on demand</li> <li>3. Provide recognition for skills and career path progression</li> </ol>



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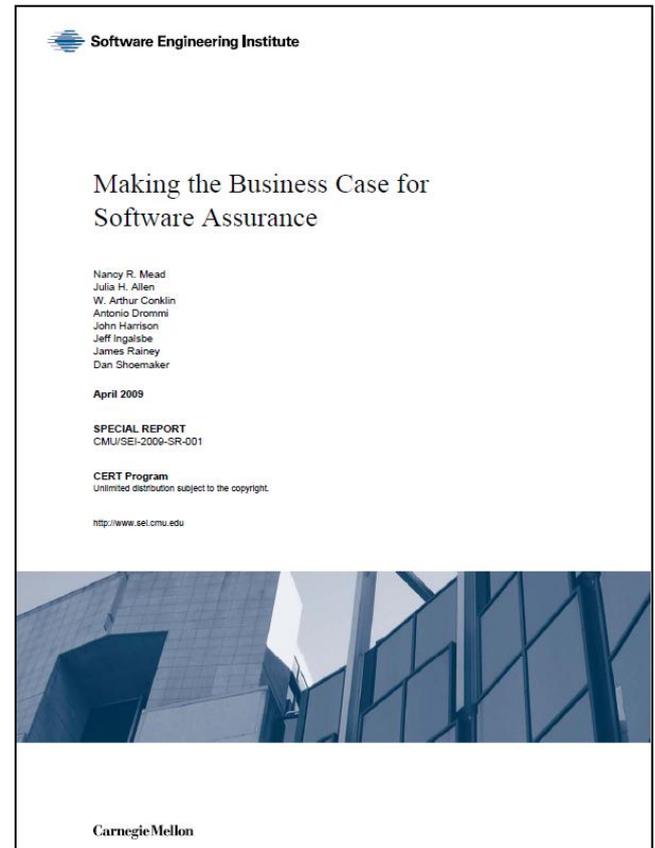
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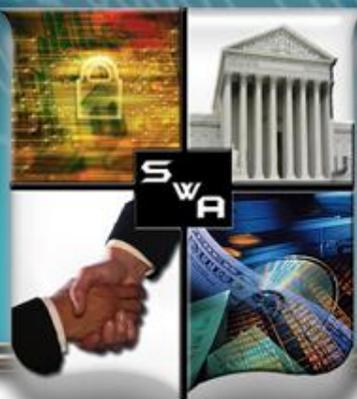
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### *Business Case for Software Assurance*

April 2009 SwA Report provides background, context and examples:

- Motivators
- Cost/Benefit Models Overview
- Measurement
- Risk
- Prioritization
- Process Improvement & Secure Software
- Globalization
- Organizational Development
- Case Studies and Examples





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### Security Measurement Resources

Oct 08 → Feb 09 → May 09 →

**Practical Measurement Framework for Software Assurance and Information Security**

**Oct 2008**



The Center for Internet Security

The CIS Security Metrics

February 9  
**2009**

Organizations struggle to make cost-effective security investment decisions; information security professionals lack widely accepted and unambiguous metrics for decision support. CIS established a consensus team of one hundred (100) industry experts to address this need. The result is a set of standard metric and data definitions that can be used across organizations to collect and analyze data on security process performance and outcomes.

This document contains twenty-one (21) metric definitions for six (6) important business functions: Incident Management, Vulnerability Management, Patch Management, Application Security, Configuration Management and Financial Metrics. Additional consensus metrics are currently being defined for these and additional business functions.

Consensus Metric Definitions

SOAR

State-of-the-Art Report (SOAR)  
May 8, 2009

Information Assurance  
Technology Analysis Center (IATAC)

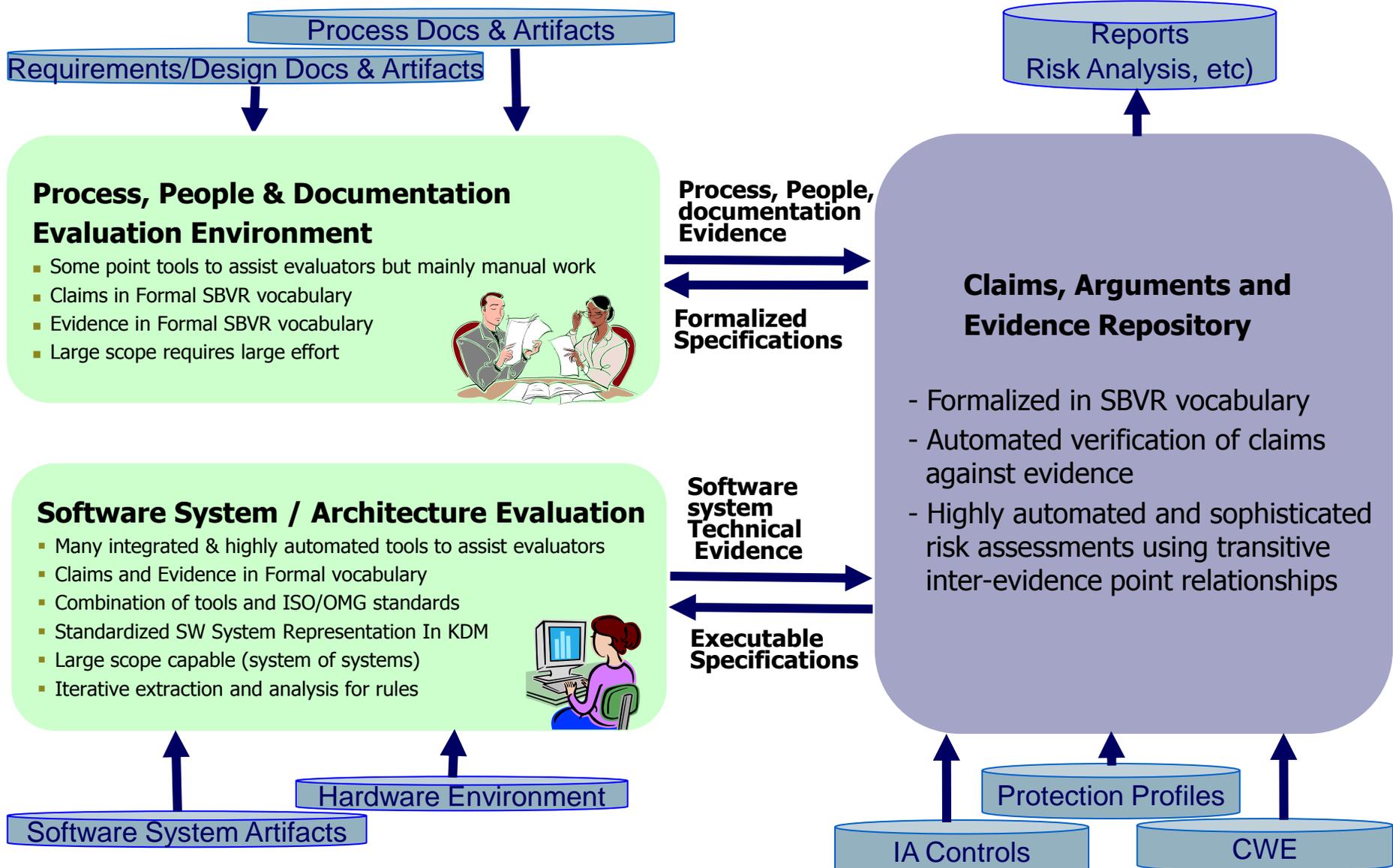
## Measuring Cyber Security and Information Assurance

IATAC

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# Software Assurance Ecosystem: The Formal Framework

The value of formalization extends beyond software systems to include related software system process, people and documentation





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## 2010 CWE/SANS Top 25 Most Dangerous Software Errors

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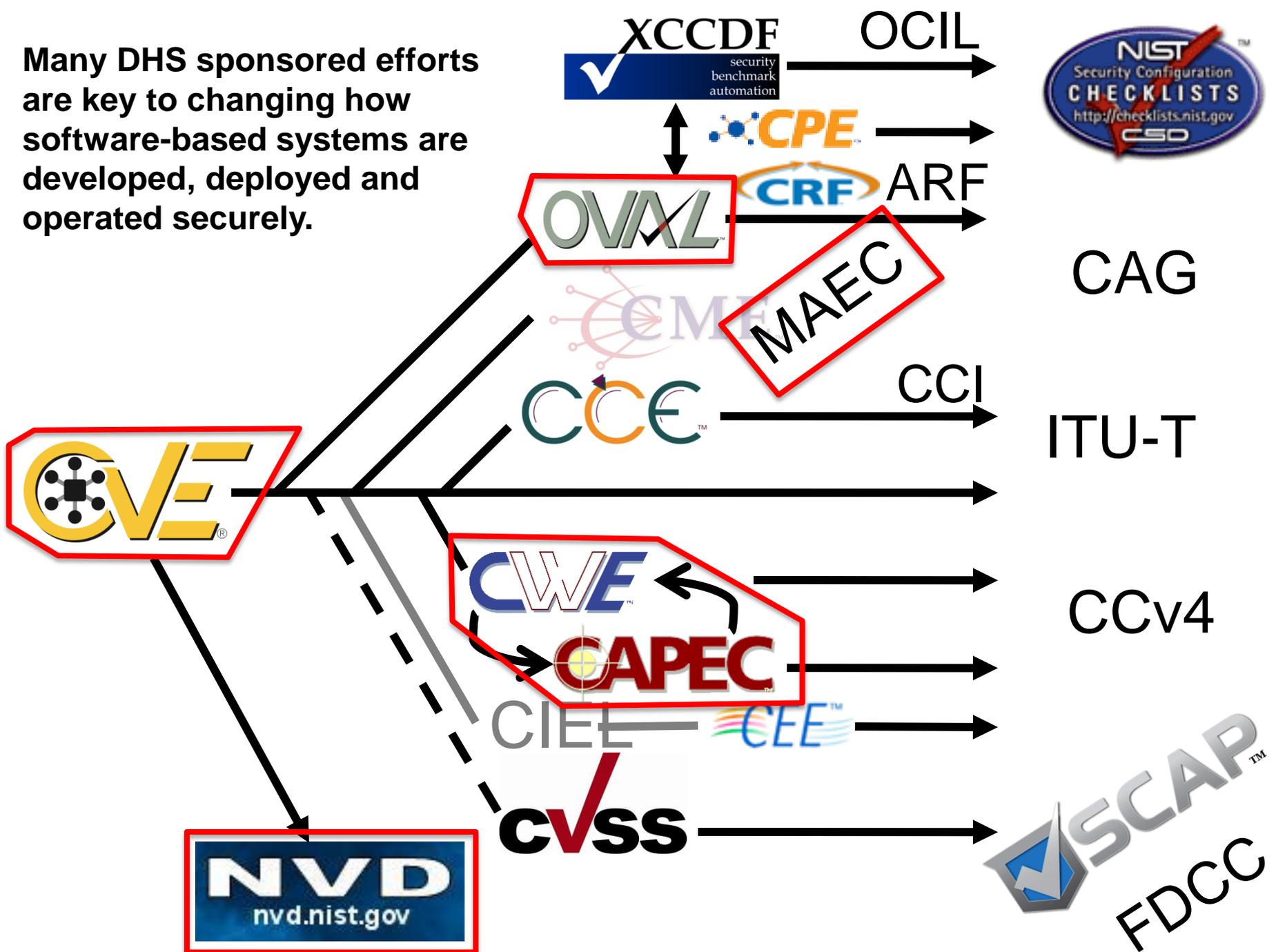
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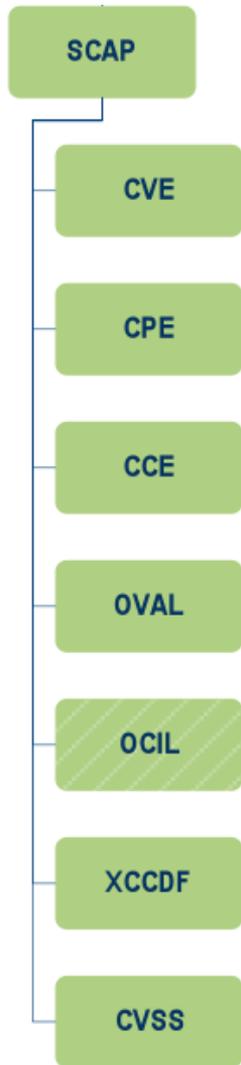
The 2010 CWE/SANS Top 25 Most Dangerous Software Errors is a list of the most widespread and critical programming errors that can lead to serious software vulnerabilities. They are often easy to find, and easy to exploit. They are dangerous because they will frequently allow attackers to completely take over the software, steal data, or prevent the software from working at all.

The Top 25 list is a tool for education and awareness to help programmers to prevent the kinds of vulnerabilities that plague the software industry, by identifying and avoiding all-too-common mistakes that occur before software is even shipped. Software customers can use the same list to help them to ask for more secure software. Researchers in software security can use the Top 25 to focus on a narrow but important subset of all known security weaknesses. Finally, software managers and CIOs can use the Top 25 list as a measuring stick of progress in their efforts to secure their software.

The list is the result of collaboration between the SANS Institute, MITRE, and many top software security experts in the US and Europe. It leverages experiences in the development of the SANS Top 20 attack vectors (<http://www.sans.org/top20/>) and MITRE's Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE) (<http://cwe.mitre.org/>). MITRE maintains the CWE web site, with the support of the US Department of Homeland Security's National Cyber Security Division, presenting detailed descriptions of the top 25 programming errors along with authoritative guidance for mitigating and avoiding them. The CWE site contains data on more than 800 programming errors, design errors, and architecture errors that can lead to exploitable

Many DHS sponsored efforts are key to changing how software-based systems are developed, deployed and operated securely.





SCAP 1.1 uses the following specifications:

- Extensible Configuration Checklist Description Format (XCCDF) 1.1.4, a language for authoring security checklists/benchmarks and for reporting results of checklist evaluation [QUI08]
- Open Vulnerability and Assessment Language (OVAL) 5.6, a language for representing system configuration information, assessing machine state, and reporting assessment results
- Open Checklist Interactive Language (OCIL) 2.0, a language for representing security checks that requires human feedback
- Common Platform Enumeration (CPE) 2.2, a nomenclature and dictionary of hardware, operating systems, and applications [BUT09]
- Common Configuration Enumeration (CCE) 5, a nomenclature and configurations
- Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE), a nomenclature and software flaws<sup>9</sup>
- Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS) 2.0, an open specification for the severity of software flaw vulnerabilities [MEL07].

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**The Technical Specification  
for the Security Content  
Automation Protocol (SCAP):  
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Recommendations of the National Institute  
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# Software Assurance Automation Protocol (SwAAP)

- For measuring & enumerating software weaknesses and the assurance cases.



Common Weakness Enumeration (**CWE**),

Common Attack Pattern Enumeration & Classification (**CAPEC**),

Malware Attribute Enumeration & Characterization (**MAEC**),

Common Weakness Scoring System (**CWSS**),

Software Assurance Findings Expression Schema (**SAFES**),

NIST SAMATE's "Software Transparency Label",

ISO/IEC 15026 "Assurance Case" (**ISO 15026**),

OMG Software Assurance Evidence Metamodel (**OMG SAEM**),

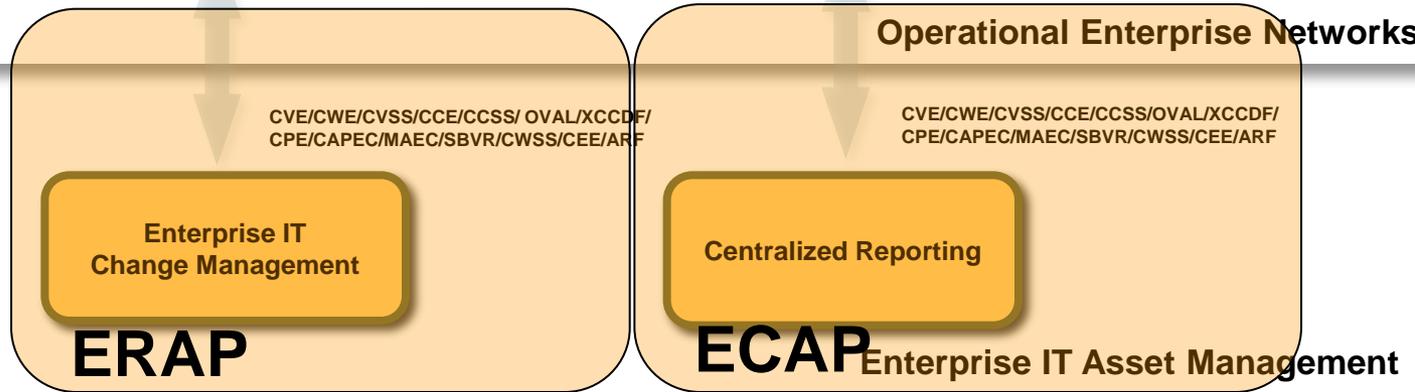
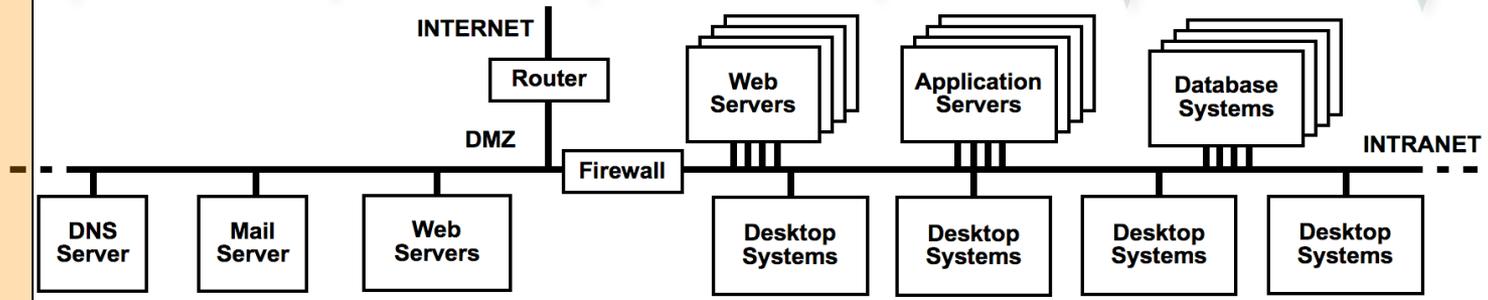
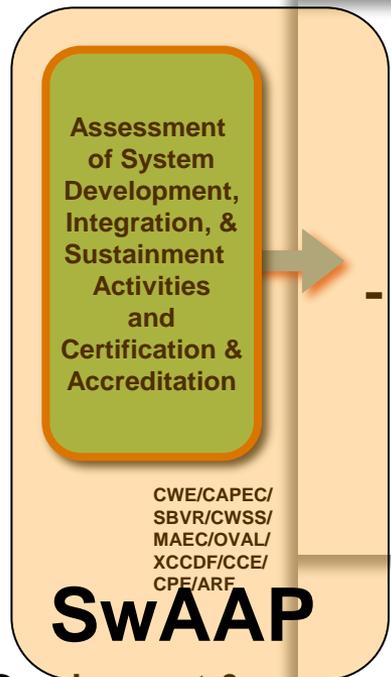
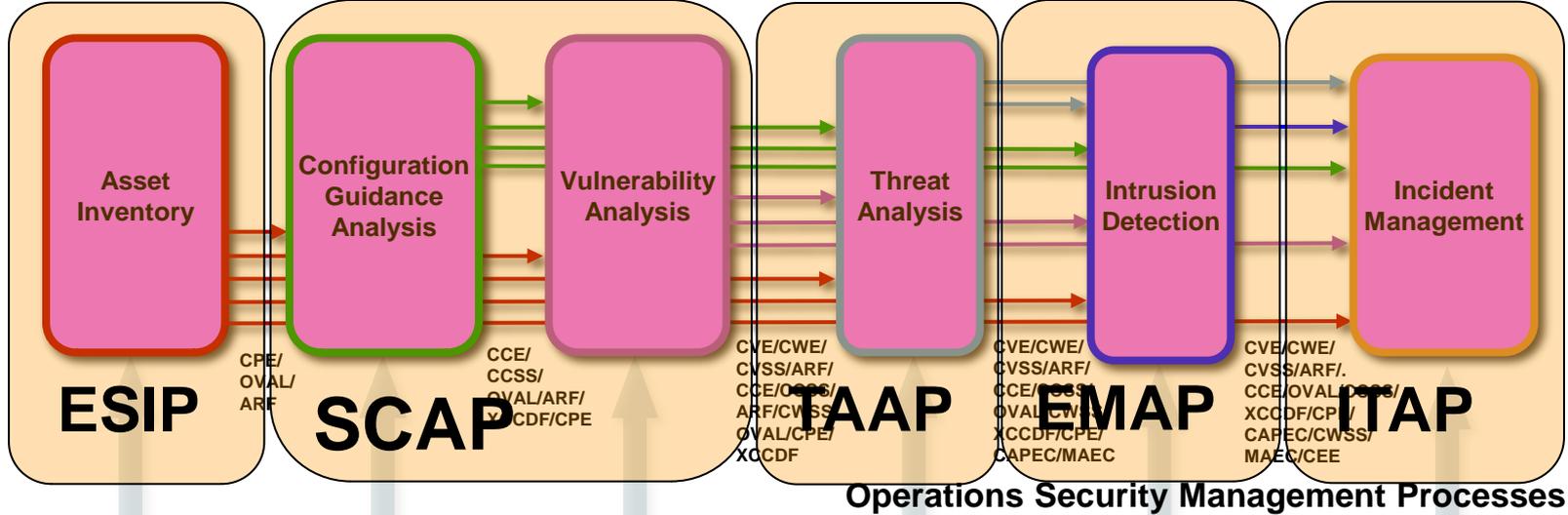
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OMG Structured Metrics Metamodel (**OMG SMM**),

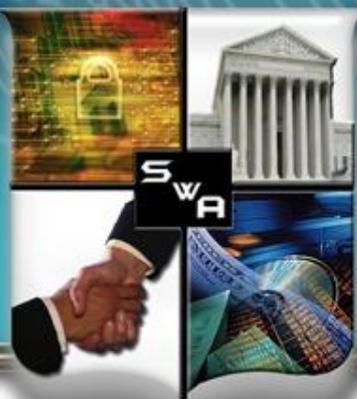
OMG Knowledge Discovery Metamodel (**OMG KDM**),

OMG Abstract Syntax Tree Metamodel (**OMG ASTM**)

- plus SCAP to capture "accredited" system CPEs and CCE settings?
- OVAL checks for capturing "finger print" of software applications to address supply-chain risk measurement?



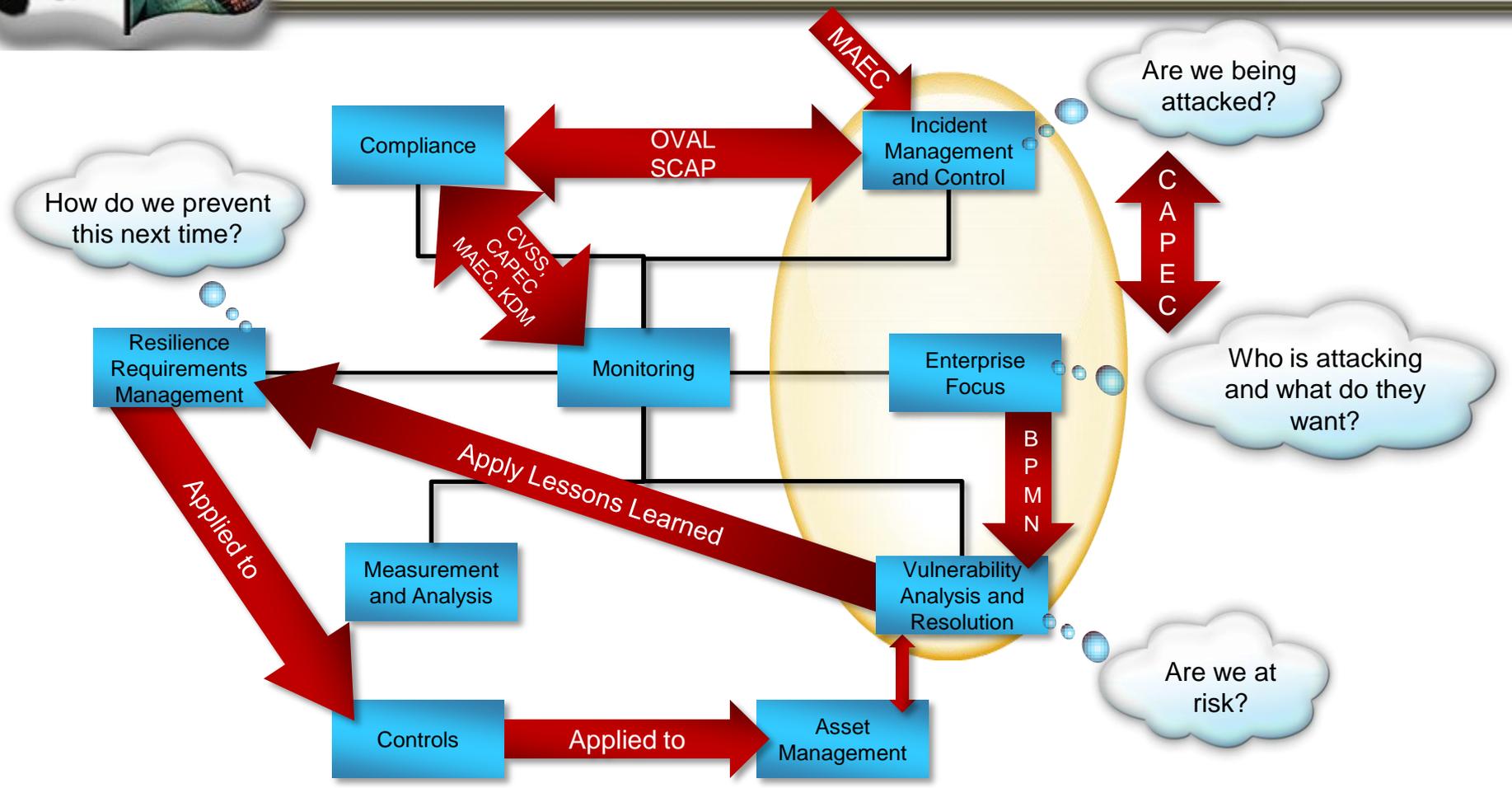
**Development & Sustainment Security Management Processes**



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### SwA and Operational Resilience





### The Rugged Software Manifesto

I am rugged... and more importantly, my code is rugged.

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I recognize the awesome responsibility that comes with this foundational role.

I recognize that my code will be used in ways I cannot anticipate, in ways it was not designed, and for longer than it was ever intended.

I recognize that my code will be attacked by talented and persistent adversaries who threaten our physical, economic, and national security.

I recognize these things - and I choose to be rugged.

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# The Rugged Software MANIFESTO

## Focus on Resilience and Survivability -

If compromised, damage to the software will be minimized, and it will recover quickly to an acceptable level of operating capacity; it is 'rugged'

[ruggedsoftware.org](http://ruggedsoftware.org)

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# Rugged?

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# IT/Software Supply Chain Management is a National Security & Economic Issue

- ▶ Adversaries can gain “intimate access” to target systems, especially in a global supply chain that offers limited transparency
- ▶ Advances in science and technology will always outpace the ability of government and industry to react with new policies and standards
  - National security policies must conform with international laws and agreements while preserving a nation’s rights and freedoms, and protecting a nation’s self interests and economic goals
  - Forward-looking policies can adapt to the new world of global supply chains
  - International standards must mature to better address supply chain risk management, IT security, systems & software assurance
  - Assurance Rating Schemes for software products and organizations are needed
- ▶ IT/software suppliers and buyers can take more deliberate actions to security-enhance their processes and practices to mitigate risks
  - Government & Industry have significant leadership roles in solving this
  - Individuals can influence the way their organizations adopt security practices

Globalization will not be reversed; this is how we conduct business – To remain relevant, standards and capability benchmarking measures must address “assurance” mechanisms needed to manage IT/Software Supply Chain risks.





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