



USAID
FROM THE AMERICAN PEOPLE

Cyber Security Assessments

USAID-USEA Digitalization and Cyber Security Webinar Series

Galen Rasche

Senior Program Manager, EPRI

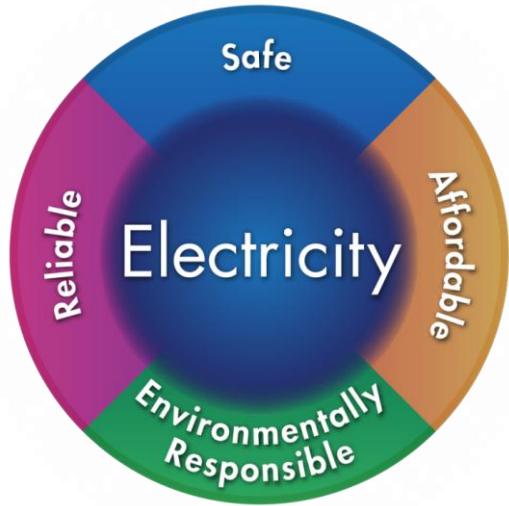
grasche@epri.com

September 3, 2020



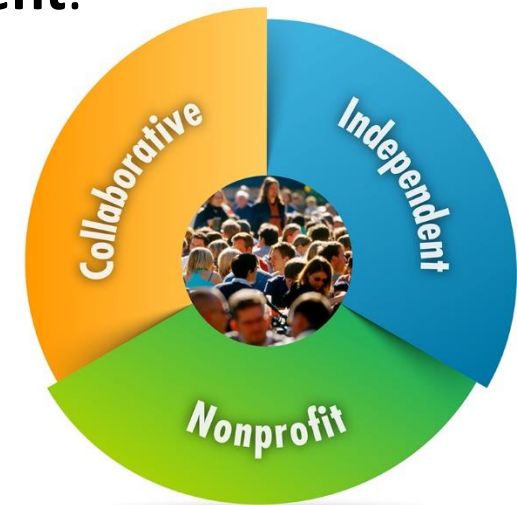
**ELECTRIC POWER
RESEARCH INSTITUTE**





- EPRI conducts **research and development** relating to the **generation, delivery and use of electricity** for the benefit of the public.
- EPRI brings together its scientists and engineers as well as experts from academia and industry to help address challenges in electricity, including **reliability, efficiency, affordability, health, safety** and the **environment**.
- **EPRI members** represent 90% of the electricity generated and delivered in the United States with international participation extending to nearly **40 countries**.

Social Media: [Facebook](#) | [LinkedIn](#) | [Twitter](#) | [YouTube](#)



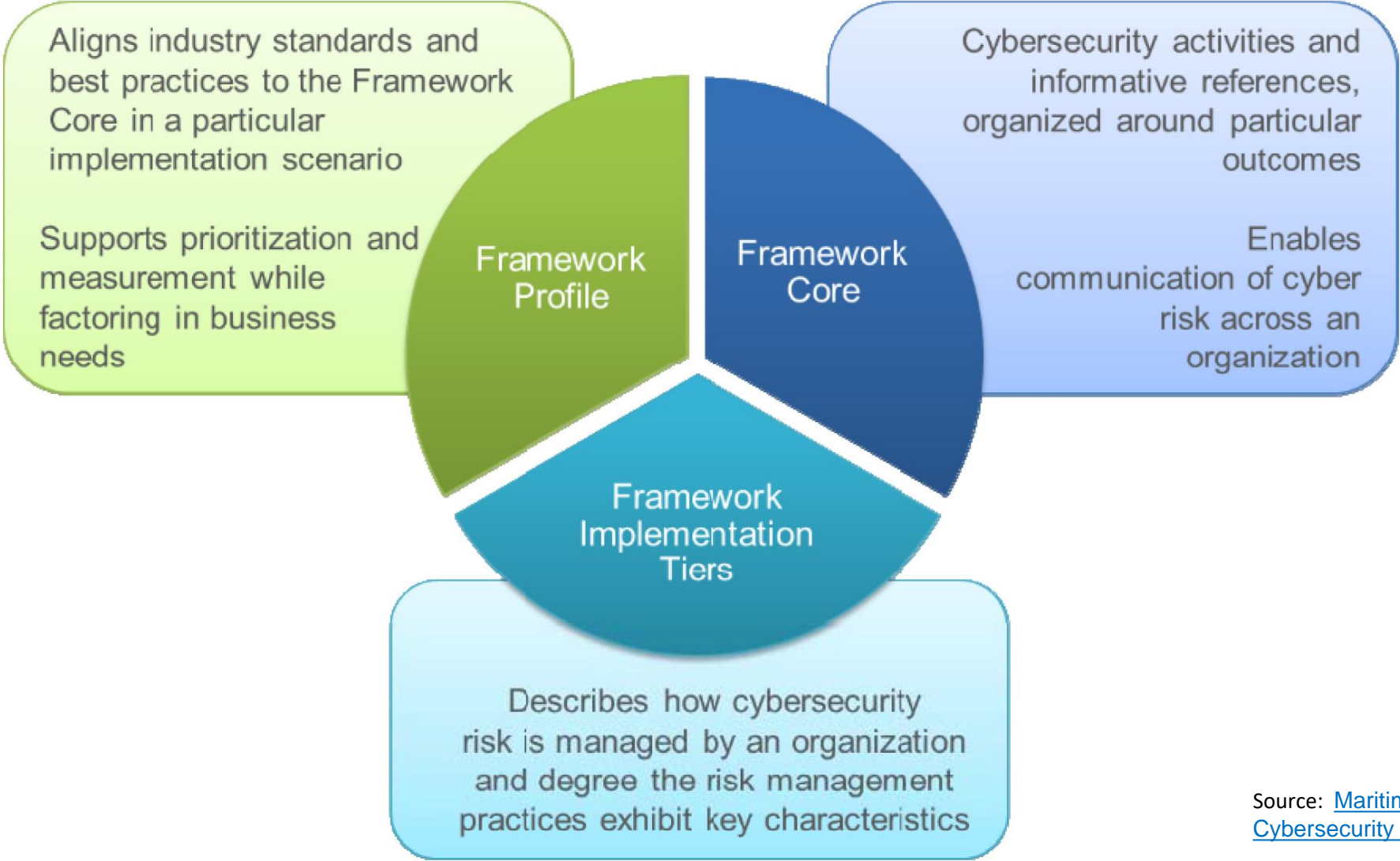
Cyber Security Assessments for Electric Power Utilities

Cyber Security Assessments

- **Where are we now?**
 - **Current state assessment**
- **Where do we want to be?**
 - **Desired future state**
- **How do we get there?**
 - **Identify required capabilities to achieve future state**
 - **Develop Cybersecurity Program Roadmap and implementation plans**



Elements of the NIST Cybersecurity Framework (CSF)



Source: [Maritime Bulk Liquids Transfer Cybersecurity Framework Profile](#)

Develop the organizational understanding to manage cybersecurity risk to systems, assets, data, and capabilities

Develop and implement the appropriate safeguards to ensure delivery of critical infrastructure services

Develop and implement the appropriate activities to identify the occurrence of a cybersecurity event

Develop and implement the appropriate activities to take action regarding a detected cybersecurity event

Develop and implement the appropriate activities to maintain plans for resilience and to restore any capabilities or services that were impaired due to a cybersecurity event

NIST Cybersecurity Framework	
Function	Category
Identify	Asset Management
	Business Environment
	Governance
	Risk Assessment
	Risk Management Strategy
	Supply Chain Risk Management
Protect	Identity Management and Access Control
	Awareness and Training
	Data Security
	Information Protection Processes & Procedures
	Maintenance
	Protective Technology
Detect	Anomalies and Events
	Security Continuous Monitoring
	Detection Processes
Respond	Response Planning
	Communications
	Analysis
	Mitigation
Recover	Improvements
	Recovery Planning
	Improvements
	Communications

NIST Cybersecurity Framework

Function	Category
Identify	Asset Management
	Business Environment
	Governance
	Risk Assessment
	Risk Management Strategy
	Supply Chain Risk Management
Protect	Identity Management and Access Control
	Awareness and Training
	Data Security
	Information Protection Processes & Procedures
	Maintenance
	Protective Technology
Detect	Anomalies and Events
	Security Continuous Monitoring
	Detection Processes
Respond	Response Planning
	Communications
	Analysis
	Mitigation
	Improvements
Recover	Recovery Planning
	Improvements
	Communications

How should our cyber security program be organized and assessed?

Are we accurately assessing and communicating risk?

Do we trust the equipment we are deploying?

Are we mitigating risks from third-party service providers?

How do we manage passwords and remote access to field devices?

Do we have the right architectures and technology to protect our OT systems?

Do we have visibility into our OT networks and devices?

Are our IDS tools configured and effective for OT systems?

Can our SCADA operators identify and respond to cyber attacks?

Do we have the forensics tools and capabilities to determine which devices have been compromised?

NIST Cybersecurity Framework

Function	Category
Identify	Asset Management
	Business Environment
	Governance
	Risk Assessment
	Risk Management Strategy
	Supply Chain Risk Management
Protect	Identity Management and Access Control
	Awareness and Training
	Data Security
	Information Protection Processes & Procedures
	Maintenance
	Protective Technology
Detect	Anomalies and Events
	Security Continuous Monitoring
	Detection Processes
Respond	Response Planning
	Communications
	Analysis
	Mitigation
	Improvements
Recover	Recovery Planning
	Improvements
	Communications

Subcategory	Informative References
ID.AM-1: Physical devices and systems within the organization are inventoried	CIS CSC 1 COBIT 5 BAI09.01, BAI09.02 ISA 62443-2-1:2009 4.2.3.4 ISA 62443-3-3:2013 SR 7.8 ISO/IEC 27001:2013 A.8.1.1, A.8.1.2 NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 CM-8, PM-5
ID.AM-2: Software platforms and applications within the organization are inventoried	CIS CSC 2 COBIT 5 BAI09.01, BAI09.02, BAI09.05 ISA 62443-2-1:2009 4.2.3.4 ISA 62443-3-3:2013 SR 7.8 ISO/IEC 27001:2013 A.8.1.1, A.8.1.2, A.12.5.1 NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 CM-8, PM-5
ID.AM-3: Organizational communication and data flows are mapped	CIS CSC 12 COBIT 5 DSS05.02 ISA 62443-2-1:2009 4.2.3.4 ISO/IEC 27001:2013 A.13.2.1, A.13.2.2 NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 AC-4, CA-3, CA-9, PL-8
ID.AM-4: External information systems are catalogued	CIS CSC 12 COBIT 5 APO02.02, APO10.04, DSS01.02 ISO/IEC 27001:2013 A.11.2.6 NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 AC-20, SA-9

Benefits

- Five functions easy for non-security staff and executives to understand
- Widely adopted in the industry
- Focuses on **outcomes** – flexible implementation
- Industry profiles and implementation guides available
- Can be implemented with various international cyber security standards and controls catalogues

Challenges

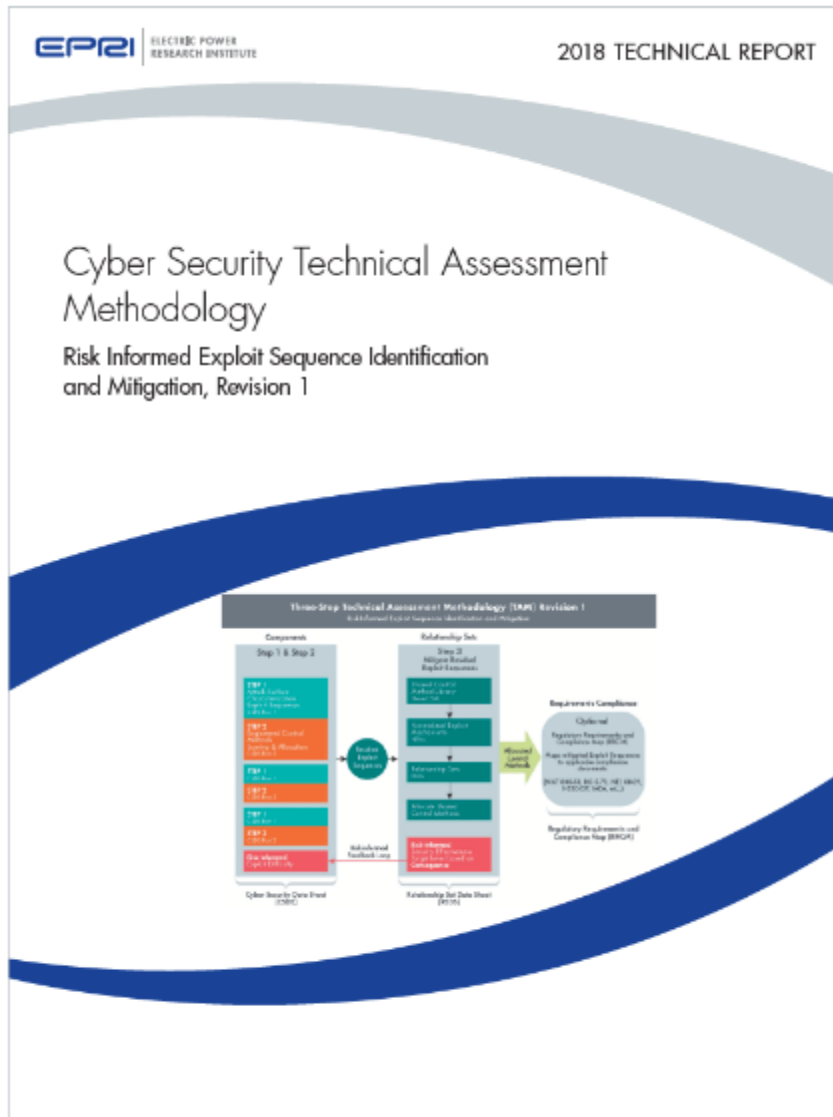
- No generally accepted scoring mechanism
- Control set is at different levels
- Different tiers are not a formal maturity model
- Need OT cyber security expertise to correctly apply the Framework to electric power utility operations domains

NIST Cybersecurity Framework Resources

- [NIST Cybersecurity Framework \(CSF\) Version 1.1](#)
- [NIST TN 2051 – Cybersecurity Framework Smart Grid Profile](#)
- [Maritime Bulk Liquids Transfer Cybersecurity Framework Profile](#)
- [NIST IR 8183 - Cybersecurity Framework Manufacturing Profile](#)
- [NIST IR 8183A - Cybersecurity Framework Manufacturing Profile Low Impact Level Example Implementations Guide](#)

EPRI Technical Assessment Methodology

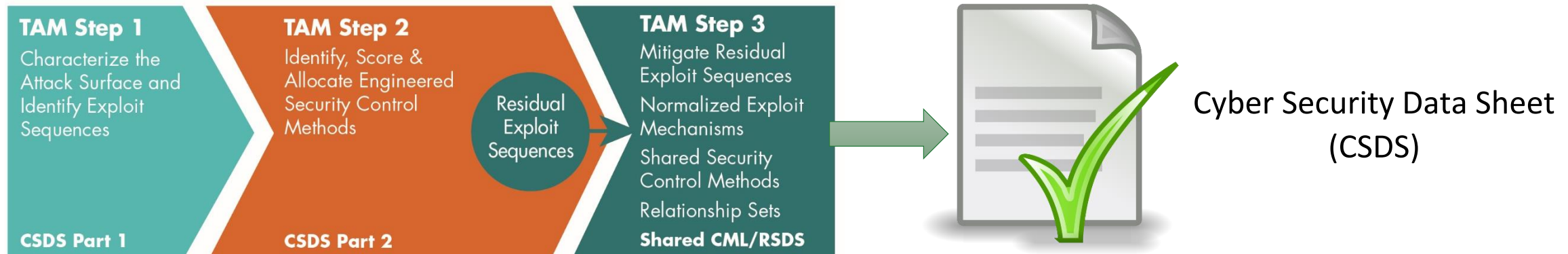
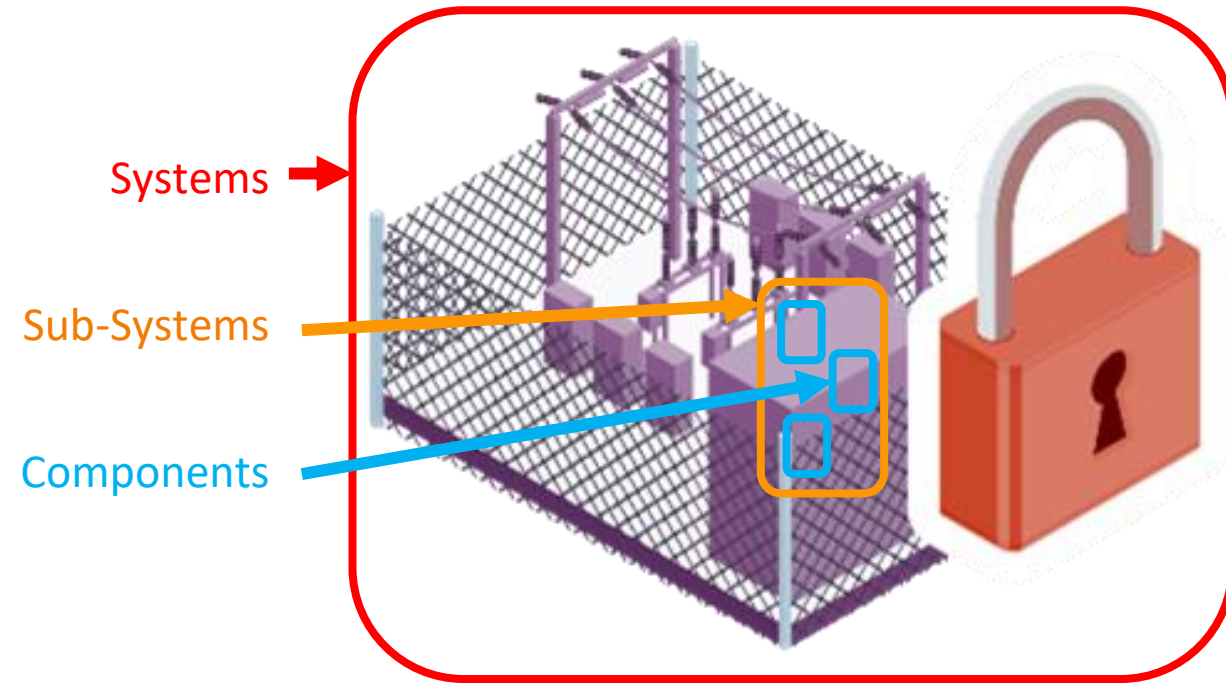
Technical Assessment Methodology (TAM) Purpose



- Provides an actionable, risk-informed, systems engineered based approach that guides users to:
 - Understand their systems and components,
 - Analyze the actual vulnerabilities and how the system can be attacked,
 - Mitigate those vulnerabilities to an acceptable risk level,
 - By applying effective control measures.

The EPRI Technical Assessment Methodology (TAM)

- Security Risk Assessment of **Systems**, **Sub-Systems** or **Components**
- Scoring risks of existing control measures (effectiveness and burden)
- For Procurement or Installed Equipment
- Determines Mitigations & Unmitigated Vulnerabilities
- Identifies parties responsible for Mitigations



Cyber Security Data Sheet (CSDS)



CSDS Part 1: Attack Surface Characterization

- Part 1a: Assessment Scope
- Part 1b: Target Asset Characteristics
- Part 1c: Attack Pathways
- Part 1d: Exploit Sequences

CSDS Part 2: Identify, Score, & Allocate Control Methods

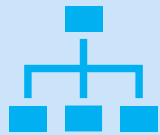
- Part 2a: Security Control Method Identification and Scoring
- Part 2b: Allocation of Security Control Methods

Output of the Process



Cyber Security Data Sheets (CSDS)

- Identify attack surface
- Scoring of existing control measures (effectiveness and burden)
- Unmitigated vulnerabilities
- What if analysis of additional control measures
- Standardized and scalable



Relationships Sets

- Systems and component communication
- Data flows
- Shared control measures
- Aids in incident response



Library of administrative and shared technical control methods

Technical Assessment Methodology Resources

- [Cyber Security Technical Assessment Methodology, Risk Informed Exploit Sequence Identification and Mitigation, Revision 1](#)
- [EPRI Cyber Security Technical Assessment Methodology Video \(3.43 min\)](#)
- [Toward a New Risk-Informed Approach to Cyber Security](#)
- SEL 487E Protective Relay Reference Cyber Security Data Sheet (CSDS): Cyber Security Technical Assessment Methodology Use Case Study ([3002017149](#))
- Domain Controller Cyber Security Data Sheet (CSDS) Topical Guide ([3002015759](#))
- Risk Informed Target Level Topical Guide ([3002015760](#))
- Cyber Security Data Flow Identification and Documentation Topical Guide ([3002015761](#))

Contact:

Galen Rasche

Sr. Program Manager

grasche@epri.com

Together...Shaping the Future of Electricity