

Why a BISO Is Necessary

Empowering Security Leadership to
Drive Business Resilience



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The Executive Imperative

Cybersecurity is a top concern for every CEO, board member, and stakeholder.



\$4.45M

Average Cost
of a Data Breach



\$14.8M

Average
Regulatory Fines



60%+

Reputation
Damage Risk



300+

Compliance
Mandates Globally

The BISO ensures a unified strategy across business operations.



The Reality for CISOs

The CISO can't be everywhere at once.

- ✓ Insufficient security resources across business units
- ✓ Complex and diverse technology landscape
- ✓ Rapid business demands outpacing security
- ✓ Increasing regulatory compliance pressure
- ✓ Expanding digital attack surface



**CISOs need a trusted partner
in each business unit.**

A BISO fills this critical gap.



What Is a BISO?

A **Business Information Security Officer (BISO)** is a specialized security role that bridges the gap between business operations and IT security.



Align Security with Business

Ensure security strategies support and enable business objectives



Enterprise-Wide Risk Management

Provide consistent security governance across all business units



Drive Strategic Security Initiatives

Champion security programs that deliver measurable business value



Bridging Two Worlds

The BISO is the critical link between security and business.

Security & Technical

- Threats & Vulnerabilities
- Risk Mitigation
- Security Controls & Policies
- Incident Response



Business & Operational

- Revenue & Growth Goals
- Market Expansion
- Digital Innovation
- Regulatory Requirements



Key Reasons You Need a BISO



Align Security with Business

Integrate security into business strategy and operations



Enhance Risk Management

Identify and mitigate risks across all business units



Streamline Compliance

Ensure regulatory requirements are met consistently



Enable Secure Transformation

Support innovation while maintaining security posture



Enhance Business Resilience

Build robust continuity and disaster recovery capabilities



Optimize Security Investments

Maximize ROI on security tools and programs



Without a BISO – The Current State



Isolated
Teams



Siloed
Decisions



Inconsistent
Practices



Missed
Priorities



Wasted
Budget

Result: Uncoordinated security efforts, higher risks, regulatory penalties, and lost business value.



With a BISO – The Desired State



Full
Visibility



Clear
Roles



Cross-Team
Collaboration



Strategic
Focus



Business
Resilience

Result: Connected, risk-driven, well-aligned operations and sustained business growth.



Business Impact of a BISO

- ✓ Reduces risk by aligning security with business priorities
- ✓ Enhances compliance and regulatory readiness
- ✓ Protects brand reputation and customer trust
- ✓ Improves ROI of security tools and investments
- ✓ Strengthens disaster recovery and business continuity
- ✓ Supports regulatory compliance across jurisdictions



BISO Operating Model



The BISO is the bridge that connects all organizational layers.



BISO Core Responsibilities



Communicate security strategy and objectives to business stakeholders



Manage security risk assessments across all business units



Monitor and measure security program effectiveness



Ensure compliance with industry regulations and standards



Coordinate security incident response and recovery



Report on security posture and metrics to leadership



Enabling Secure Transformation

The BISO enables security to accelerate, not impede, innovation.



Innovation

Drive new ideas while maintaining security posture



Visibility

Full transparency into risks across the organization



Growth

Scale operations with confidence and compliance



Safety

Protect assets, data, and stakeholder trust



Measurable Outcomes

- ✓ Improved risk management and decision-making
- ✓ Reduced risk exposure across business units
- ✓ Stronger regulatory compliance posture
- ✓ Higher security awareness among workforce
- ✓ Streamlined security operations and processes
- ✓ Better board-level security reporting



*Measurable, repeatable,
and auditable results.*



Who Needs a BISO?



**Financial
Services**



Healthcare



Government



**Retail &
E-Commerce**



**Critical
Infrastructure**



**Public
Sector**

Any organization with complex security and business interdependencies.



BISO Success Factors

- ✓ Executive sponsorship and board-level visibility
- ✓ Strong relationships and earned trust across teams
- ✓ Clear mandate and authority to drive change
- ✓ Regular reporting and transparency with stakeholders
- ✓ Cross-departmental collaboration and alignment
- ✓ Ongoing professional education and certification



***Success requires commitment,
collaboration, and leadership.***



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The Bottom Line

A BISO ensures your organization's security, confidentiality,
and reliability in the modern era.

Investing in a BISO strengthens your business.

Contact your professional advisor today.

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