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CISO Financial Services NY

Real conversations from Cloud and DevSecOps to the pressures of the boardroom

If you lead security in Financial Services, this is your room — filled with people who live the same reality you do and talk about it.

When we launched **CISO New York** last September, the response from teams at **HSBC, Wells Fargo, and New York City Council** was: *"This feels built for us." "You don't usually hear these conversations on stage." "This is a community."*

On **February 25, 2026, in Hyatt Jersey City on The Hudson**, we're bringing that same energy, but this time, it's **Financial Services**.

- The new attack patterns targeting financial data right now
- Securing cloud + multi-cloud when nothing is standardized
- AI that cuts SecOps noise instead of adding more
- The fraud and insider threats everyone is feeling but no one is openly talking about

You don't need another event filled with long lectures and generic sessions- you need the community, and the formats that give you answers.

- **Ask-Me-Anything** —unfiltered answers from veteran CISOs
- **Yes / No / Maybe** —fast gut checks on the topics no one agrees on
- **Quick Wins or Just Noise** — tools + tactics that your peers say work
- **Live Poll Debate** — the entire room votes in real time
- **The CISO Challenge Hackathon** — one live cyber crisis, solved together

Get in touch with the Conference Producer for this event via monika.dincheva@coriniumgroup.com

Confirmed Speakers:

Scot Miller, *Chief Information Security Officer* - **Mr. Cooper** *(Advisory board member)*
Ellis Wong, *Chief Information Security Officer* - **JST Capital** *(Advisory board member)*
Jessica Wilson, *Business Information Security Officer* – **Bank of America**

Matthew Hyland, *Executive Director, Cloud Security Risk Management* – **WELLS FARGO**

Albert Laweh Tetteh, *Chief Information Officer -* **GCB Bank Limited** *(Advisory board member)*

John Decker*, Chief Technology Officer -* **Trian Partners**

Nishit Mehta, Vice President, *Analytics Solutions Manager* – **JPMorganChase**

Medha Bobbili, *Cloud Infrastructure Engineer* – **Barclays**

Purna Nayak, *Senior Manager - IT Risk and Control (Data Governance)* - **Americal Express**

Manoju Thalari, *GCP Data Engineer* – **UBS**

Zafor Iqbal, *Cyber Security Analyst* – **BlackRock**

Malena Bashar, *Senior Information Technology Associate -* **BNY**

Alex Dickson, *Chief Information Security Officer -* **GCM Grosvenor** *(Advisory board member)*

Paul Pak*, Chief Information Security Officer, Head of Information Governance -* **Jennison Associates** *(Advisory board member)*

Matthew Presson, *CISO for the Americas -* **Bullish**

Felipe Giraldo, *Cyber Security Engineer –* **HELABA**

Robert LaRosa, *Information Security Engineer -* **GELLER**

Alexander Abramov, *Head of Information Risk -* **Financial Services**

Julia Cherashore, *Senior Fellow-* **DATA Foundation**

	CISO FS NY **February 25th, 2026**
08:00 – 08:45	*Registration & Coffee in the Exhibition Area*
8:45 - 8:55	**Chair's Opening Remarks**
8:55- 9:00	**Speed Networking – Making new connections at CISO FS NY!** During this 5-minute networking session, the aim of the game is to go and meet two people you don't already know.
09:00 - 09:30	**Opening Panel: Confessions of CISOs: What They Don't Tell You About the Job** • How can sleepless nights, board politics, and regulator heat be managed without burnout? • Which AI-driven threats and hybrid risks are keeping CISOs awake in 2026? • When speed clashes with security and compliance with agility, how can the trade-offs be survived?

	• What do CISOs wish had been known before stepping into the role? Albert Laweh Tetteh, *Chief Information Officer -* **GCB Bank Limited** Alex Dickson, *Chief Information Security Officer -* **GCM Grosvenor** *(Advisory board member)* Matthew Presson, *CISO for the Americas -* **Bullish**
09:30 - 10:00	**Presentation** by Paul Pak*, Chief Information Security Officer, Head of Information Governance -* **Jennison Associates**
10:00 - 10:30	Expert Ask-Me-Anything: AI, Risk & Regulation An informal, interactive session where attendees ask questions directly to a panel of cybersecurity leaders. Focus Areas**:** AI risk and security, regulatory complexity (SEC, NYDFS, DORA), board-level communication, and building resilient cyber teams. Moderator: Alexander Abramov, *Head of Information Risk -* Financial Services Jessica Wilson, *Business Information Security Officer* **– Bank of America** Robert LaRosa, *Information Security Engineer –* **GELLER**
10:30- 10:45	Spotlight Session - Reserved for SpyCloud *Speaker and topic to be announced*
10:45- 11:00	Spotlight Session - Reserved for Fastly *Speaker and topic to be announced*
11:00 11:30	*Mid-Morning Coffee & Networking in the Exhibition Area*
	The CISO Boardroom	Cloud & DevSecOps Lab

11:30- 12:00	**Who Takes the Fall When AI Fails?** • How can deepfake fraud, model poisoning, AI-powered phishing, and AI in credit or lending decisions be stopped? • Who owns AI risk, and which frameworks or guardrails keep innovation safe? • Who carries the liability when AI fails in FS? • How is AI risk best reported in board language? • What playbooks work for AI-specific incidents like data leakage or model poisoning?	**Presentation: DevSecOps in FS: Automate, Delegate, or Burn Out?** • Which pipeline controls are best enforced through policy-as-code? • How can security checks be safely delegated to dev teams in regulated contexts? • What metrics demonstrate DevSecOps reducing audit findings? • Where does human review still outperform automated tools in FS? Ellis Wong, *Chief Information Security Officer* - JST Capital
12:00 – 12:15	**Yes, No, Maybe? A Reality Check for Financial Services Cyber Leaders** The moderator throws out a statement, and the audience vote: yes, no, or maybe. Topics include third-party risk, overlapping compliance, board metrics that miss the point, and whether resilience plans would hold up. Julia Cherashore, *Senior Fellow-* DATA Foundation	**Quick Wins or Just Noise? Cutting Through the Cloud & DevSecOps Hype** Every week there's another "must-have" tool. In this session we run through common practices — IaC scanning, SAST/DAST, secrets management, SBOMs, automated checks, and more. For each one, you vote: real value or just noise. A few volunteers share why. Jessica Wilson, *Business Information Security Officer* – Bank of America
12:15 - 12:45	*Session placeholder*	*Session placeholder*
12:45 – 13:45	*Lunch & Networking in the Exhibition Area*	
13:45- 14:00	**Discussion group A: What Happens When Agentic AI Runs Your Security Ops Before You Do?**	**Discussion group B: What's Your First Move When Your Multi-Cloud Setup Gets Hit at 2am?**

What risks come with AI-on-AI escalation between defenders and adversaries? • How can effective oversight frameworks be built for AI-augmented SOCs? • What early wins, and early fails are showing up in adopting agentic AI for security? • How can human analysts stay in the loop when machines move first? Ellis Wong, *Chief Information Security Officer* - **JST Capital**	• How do you embed post-quantum readiness into cloud strategy? • How can you secure serverless and containers without slowing delivery? • What AI analytics improve cloud threat detection accuracy? • Which cloud security capabilities will be baseline by 2028? Manoju Thalari, *GCP Data Engineer* – **UBS**

14:00-14:30	**Presentation: How to Catch Insider Fraud Without Destroying Culture and Trust?** Where does privileged access and hybrid work create fraud blind spots? • Can behavioral analytics catch risk early enough to stop escalation? • How can HR, legal, compliance, and the CISO work from one playbook? • What builds trust culture without slipping into surveillance overkill? Albert Laweh Tetteh, *Chief Information Officer* - **GCB Bank Limited**

14:30-15:00	**Panel Discussion: Who Owns the Fallout When AI Models Misfire - Security, Risk, or the Board?** • Who owns AI risk when models impact lending, underwriting, or fraud detection? • How do you embed AI monitoring into cyber risk management? • What guardrails prevent AI misuse without stifling innovation? • How do you prepare for AI-specific incidents like data leakage or model poisoning? Matthew Hyland, *Executive Director, Cloud Security Risk Management* – **WELLS FARGO** Robert LaRosa, *Information Security Engineer* - **GELLER**
15:00-15:30	**Panel Discussion: How to Stop Compliance Spend Becoming a Black Hole?** • Where do compliance frameworks overlap across borders, and how can the duplication be cut?

	• What makes a compliance budget credible as resilience spending? • When does compliance move from obligation to competitive advantage? • Which signals of audit readiness build market trust? Moderator: Alexander Abramov, *Head of Information Risk* -Financial Services Nishit Mehta, *Vice President, Analytics Solutions Manager* – JPMorganChase Robert LaRosa, *Information Security Engineer* - GELLER
15:30- 16:00	*Afternoon Break & Networking in the Exhibition Area*
16:00- 16:30	Presentation: Can AI Detect, Decide, and Respond Without Losing Human Control? • What an end-to-end autonomous AI security workflow really looks like — from threat intel to risk remediation • Which best practices and open-source tools are delivering value (and which are mostly hype) • Where human-in-the-loop is non-negotiable — and where automation genuinely speeds things up • Practical use cases for both security defenders and compliance teams Felipe Giraldo, *Cyber Security Engineer* –HELABA
16:30- 17:00	Live Poll Debate: Would You Trust AI to Act Before Your Team Can? Experts go head-to-head, using real incidents and risks from the field. We'll start with a live poll to see where the room stands, then run it again at the end to track if minds have shifted. The debate centers on one tough question: *should we ever let technology act on its own during a live cyber incident in financial services?* The audience is part of it too so ask your questions, share your views, and see how your take stacks up against your peers. Jessica Wilson, *Business Information Security Officer* – Bank of America Felipe Giraldo, *Cyber Security Engineer* –HELABA
17:00- 17:30	Closing Hackathon: The CISO Challenge

	Which crisis hurts Financial Services most today: AI fraud, regulator-pressure ransomware, or an insider leak? Pick one and solve it. Split into three teams (Technical, Board & Regulators, Communications & Customers). Each team has 8 minutes to agree on their top two actions in the first 24 hours, followed by quick share-backs and audience reactions. Matthew Presson, *CISO for the Americas* - **Bullish**
17:30-17:35	**Chair's Closing Remarks**
17:35 - 18:30	*Networking drinks and Prize Draw*
18:30	END OF CONFERENCE