

SECURING THE FOUNDATIONS OF AI – ENSURING DATA CENTER SECURITY

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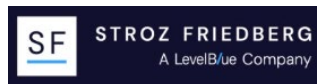
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Agenda

08:00am - Registration and Networking Breakfast

09:00am - Opening Remarks

Speaker(s): Gary Corn, Tech, Law & Security Program; and
Vivek Chilukuri, CNAS Technology and National Security Program

09:15am - Opening Keynote

Speaker: Lala Qadir, Senior Director of Technology Security and AI Policy, Microsoft

10:00am – Break

10:15am - Threats and Security Challenges

Moderator: David Aaron, Wesleyan University Visiting Professor
Speakers: - Cynthia Kaiser, Senior Vice President, Ransomware Research Center, Halcyon;
- Brian Levine, Cybersecurity Consultant;
- Joshua Larocca, Senior Managing Director, Stroz Friedberg;
- Holden Triplett, Co-Founder, Trenchcoat Advisors;
- Chris Porter, Mandiant

11:45am – Lunch

12:00pm - Fireside Chat

Moderator: Carrie Cordero, CNAS
Speaker: - Matt Hayden, Former Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security for Cyber, Infrastructure, Risk, and Resilience

1:30pm - Securing Data Centers by Design - The Builder's Perspective

Moderator: Vivek Chilukuri, CNAS Technology and National Security Program
Speakers: - John Bekisz, Vice President of Data Center and Critical Infrastructure Practice, Guidepost Consulting;
- Kevin Friker, Corporate Security Director, Equinix;
- Matt Rogers, ICS Cybersecurity Strategy and R&D Lead, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency;
- Tatyana Bolton, Monument Advocacy

2:45pm – Break

3:15pm - Legal & Policy Landscape

Moderator: Daniel Sutherland, The Chertoff Group
Speakers: - David Aaron, Perkins Coie;
- Jane Horvath, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP;
- Sam Kaplan, Palo Alto Networks

4:45pm - Closing Remarks