

# Charlotte CISO Executive Summit

Westin Charlotte



November 14, 2024

**7:45am - 8:30am**      **Registration, Breakfast and Leadership Book Swap**

**8:30am - 9:15am**      **You Speak, They Swarm — The Power of Story in Reaching Your Audience**

Arthur Zards, Thought Leader, TED/TEDx Speaker, Coach & Producer, Guest Speaker

**9:15am - 9:40am**      **Networking Break**

**9:40am - 10:25am**      **AI Data Readiness — A Blueprint for Success**

Andre Walker-Upshur, Senior Principal, Data Analytics/ Security, Value Creation, Google Cloud

**9:40am - 10:25am**      **Privacy by Design — Win Consumer Trust and Loyalty in Age of AI**

Charles Bruce, Regulated Verticals Managing Director, Twilio  
Ken Athanasiou, CISO, VF Corp  
Eric Christian, SVP & Enterprise Chief Technology Officer, Advocate Health

**9:40am - 10:25am**      **Extending the Identity Security Frontier**

Mike Williams, SVP, Americas Sales, Delinea  
Michael Irwin, CISO, Odyssey Logistics  
John Opala, VP & Global CISO, Hanesbrands

**10:25am - 11:05am**      **Networking Break**

**10:30am - 10:55am**      **Peer-to-Peer Meetings**

- 11:05am - 11:50am**    **Embracing Innovation – Real-World GenAI Use Cases**
- Christina Bray, Deputy CISO, Collins Aerospace
- 11:05am - 11:50am**    **Generative AI — Should CISOs be Guardians or Gatekeepers?**
- Lior Yaari, CEO and Co-Founder, Grip Security  
Mick Leach, Field CISO, Abnormal Security  
John Scrimsher, CISO, Kontoor Brands
- 11:05am - 11:50am**    **SecOps Transformation — Cybersecurity at Scale**
- Xavier Saavedra, Director, SOC Transformation Advisors, Palo Alto Networks  
Bob Donnelly, BISO, The Kroger Co.  
Murshid Khan, CIO, Coastal Federal Credit Union
- 11:50am - 12:35pm**    **Lunch Service**
- 12:35pm - 1:10pm**    **Building a Cloud Culture Supportive of Innovation**
- Amish Patel, Chief Technology Officer, Elevance Health  
Jim Weaver, Secretary and State CIO, State of North Carolina
- 1:10pm - 1:35pm**    **Networking Break**
- 1:35pm - 2:20pm**    **Enhancing Security in a Converging IT/OT Landscape**
- Frank DePaola, VP, CISO, Enpro  
Todd Wiedman, Global Chief Security Officer, Landis+Gyr
- 1:35pm - 2:20pm**    **Strengthening Business Continuity through Rapid IT Recovery**
- Wayne Segar, Global Field CTO, Dynatrace  
Ben Schwering, CISO, Premier  
Andy Basinger, CTO, Monarch
- 1:35pm - 2:20pm**    **The Art of Data Security — Protecting Your Most Important Asset**
- Pawanjit Singh, CIO, Centria Healthcare

Lisa Davis, Enterprise Data Governance Program Manager,  
SAIF

**2:20pm - 3:00pm**

**Networking Break**

**2:25pm - 2:50pm**

**Peer-to-Peer Meetings**

**3:00pm - 3:45pm**

**The Essential Qualities of an Effective and Impactful Leader**

Neil Khatod, CISO, Americas, Hays

**3:00pm - 3:45pm**

**Bringing DevSecOps to Cloud Security**

Brooks Cunningham, Sr. Security Strategist, Fastly  
Mike Brannon, Director, Infrastructure & Security, National  
Gypsum  
Steve Cayea, CIO, T.Y. Lin International

**3:00pm - 3:45pm**

**Generating ROI with AI**

David Ellison, Chief Data Scientist, Lenovo  
John Armbrrecht, CIO, Pike Corporation  
Jim Weaver, Secretary and State CIO, State of North Carolina

**3:45pm - 4:10pm**

**Networking Break**

**4:10pm - 4:55pm**

**Maximize IT Investment Value with a Business Capability  
Approach**

Janelle Hill, Distinguished VP Analyst, Gartner

**4:55pm - 5:00pm**

**Closing Comments & Prize Drawing**

**5:00pm - 6:30pm**

**Governing Body Reception**