

In this digital age, where everyone and everything is connected, there are various risks and threats that could happen to an organisation. The number of attacks on those working in the supply chain has increased, heavily targeted, more vulnerable and at risk than ever before. Some of the threats to the supply chain are sabotage, tampering, counterfeiting, piracy, theft, service disruption or destruction, exfiltration, infiltration, subversion, diversion, export control violations, corruption, social engineering, insider threat, pseudo-insider threat, and foreign ownership.

Supply chain attack is difficult to handle due to its malware design which stays hidden among the infected system and user's device. Especially in today's environment, nations are slowly recovering from the pandemic and starting to move towards digital transformations. While cybersecurity practices and awareness has been increasing but the frequency of the attack has also been getting faster and more sophisticated.

Currently, the cybersecurity landscape has been moving towards new environment and new technologies. As the current policies and law are being reviewed, the new ones being studied to accommodate future landscape. However, the three aspects of **people**, **process**, and **technology** are still lacking as there are some industries that are still using legacy system and referring to old policies instead of creating new ones for today's environment. Furthermore, the people's aspect of cybersecurity that still contributes as the main cause for these cybercrimes occurring.

There are also individuals who have problems with new security practices, poor digital hygiene, and poor cybersecurity implementation at workplace. People aren't learning from their cyber mistakes and, more disturbing, they aren't equipped with the knowledge on how to prevent repeated mistakes.

Cybersecurity strategies need to be embedded into manufacturing operations from the start, spanning across Information Technology (IT) and Operational Technology (OT). It needs to ensure the security of future manufacturing production operations, throughout its lifecycle. In ensuring security across the ICT Supply Chain, acquisition requirements and service level agreements should include relevant security requirements including the ISO/IEC 27001.

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