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# DIVING INTO RAPID RISK ASSESSMENTS

USE CASES, BENEFITS AND CASE STUDY

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# AN INTRODUCTION TO THE PRESENTER



**Who?** **Teresa Suarez**, Senior Manager – Professional Services Architect

**What role?** Help design, develop, and deliver the RiskLens Services team offerings

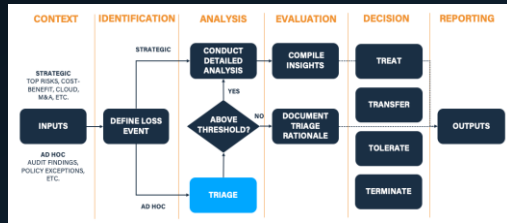
**What work?** Since joining in 2016, has had the opportunity to work with dozens of customers including both international and Fortune 100 organizations. Delivery experience includes: FAIR trainings, Proof of Concepts, Top Risk Identification Workshops, Rapid Risk Assessments, Board Reports, Risk Management Program Builds etc.

**Fun Fact(s)**

- Have Jack Jones as a mentor
- Wrote the RiskLens Culture Code

# WEBINAR OVERVIEW

## Why - How - Where



## Process – Sample Outcome



Establishing Context

Rapid Risk Assessment Example

## ESTABLISHING CONTEXT: WHY, HOW, & WHERE

# WHY: RISK ASSESSMENT CHALLENGES

## REQUESTS CAN STEM FROM:

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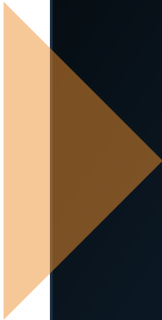
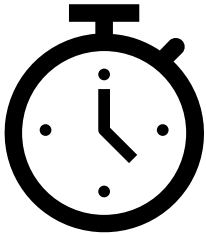
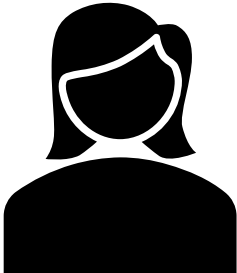
AUDIT COMMITTEE

NEW CISO

PRODUCT OWNERS



## ANALYSTS HAVE LIMITED TIME TO CONDUCT RISK ASSESSMENTS



## THE CHALLENGE

Organizations need a way to **efficiently** and **meaningfully** assess risk to enable well-informed risk decisions and effective resource prioritization in complex and dynamic risk landscapes.

# WHY: RAPID RISK ASSESSMENT USE CASES

- The C-Suite or Board, uneasy about loss exposure or regulatory compliance
- Audit committee or regulators requiring identification of top risks
- Business leaders evaluating a new digital initiative
- A new CISO eager to get up to speed
- Rapid identification of top risks that require additional detailed analysis and treatment
- Policy Exception Request Reviews
- Emerging Threat Analysis
- Plan of Actions & Milestones (POA&Ms) prioritization



**Responding to the Challenge:  
RiskLens Rapid Risk Assessment**

**Do You Know Your  
Top Cyber Risks?**

**Could You Present  
Them to your CEO  
Next Week?**

**Visit: [Rapid Risk Assessment](#)**

# WHY: QUALITATIVE RISK ASSESSMENT METHODS ARE PLAGUED WITH:

## COMMUNICATION CHALLENGES

**CFO:** "How much risk do we have?  
Are we spending too little or too  
much on mitigation?"

**AUDIT:** "Did you fix all  
those high-risk issues?"

**CISO:** "Έχουμε πάνω από δέκα  
χιλιάδες τρωτά σημεία , είναι  
συμβατό με το ογδόντα τοις  
εκατό"

**CYBERSECURITY  
VALUE??**

**CIO:** "Are we spending our  
cybersecurity budget on the  
right things? What is the  
ROI?"

**BOARD:** "We don't want to be in  
the headlines as a cybercrime  
victim. Are we doing enough to  
minimize risk?"

## MEANINGLESS MEASUREMENTS

|            |        |   |   |
|------------|--------|---|---|
| Likelihood | M      | H | H |
|            | L      | M | H |
|            | L      | L | M |
|            | Impact |   |   |

## INCONSISTENT DEFINITIONS

Application  
Vulnerabilities



Control Deficiencies

Cloud Computing



Asset

Insider Threat(s)



Threat

Phishing / Social  
Engineering



Method

# HOW: FAIR: A STANDARD ANALYTICS MODEL



Accredited as an Industry Standard by



Complementary to Risk Frameworks



NIST

Supported by a Fast Growing Community



Wide Industry Adoption  
30% Fortune 1000



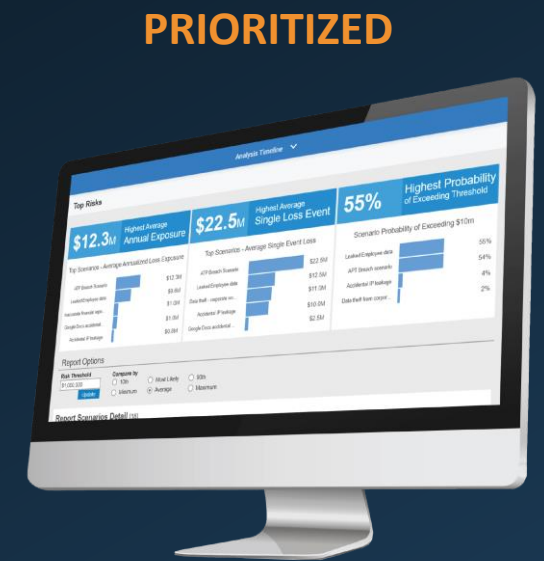
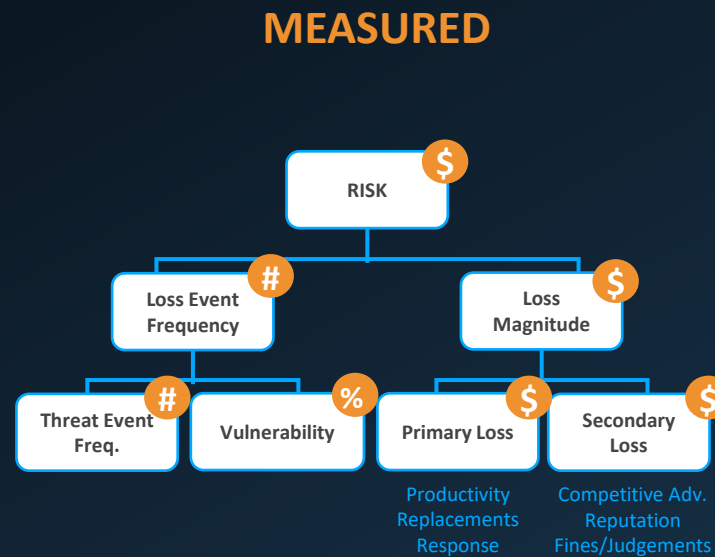
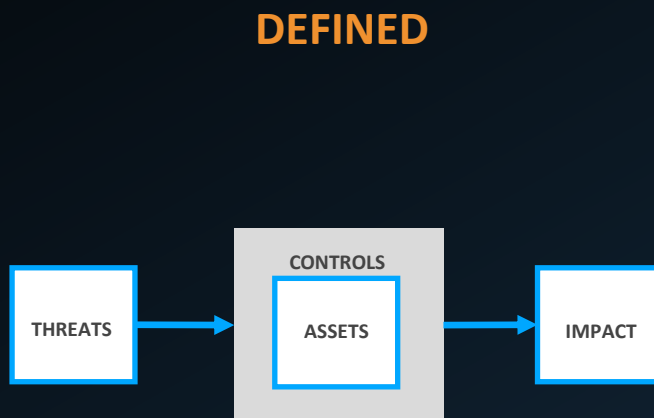
FAIR Book Inducted in Cybersecurity Canon





# HOW: VALUE OF FAIR-BASED TRIAGE

The FAIR standard provides the taxonomy and analytic model that enables risk to be quantitatively:



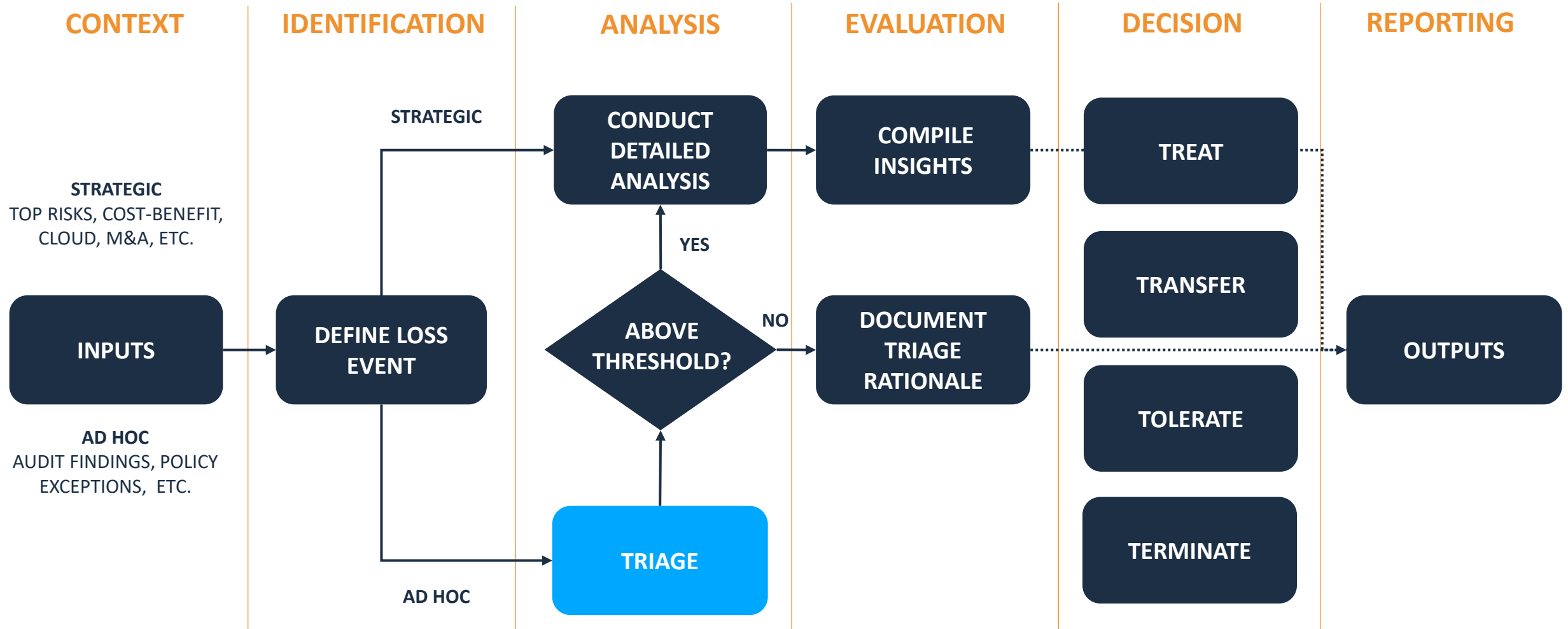
RiskLens Rapid Risk Assessment capability enables the rapid analysis and prioritization.

# WHERE RRA FITS IN THE MATURITY SPECTRUM



Source: RiskLens FAIR Enterprise Model™

# WHERE RRA FITS IN THE RISK MANAGEMENT PROCESS



## Rapid Risk **ASSESSMENT** Example

# RAPID RISK ASSESSMENT OVERVIEW



## SCOPE RISK SCENARIOS

Scoping Via Drop-  
down  
Menus

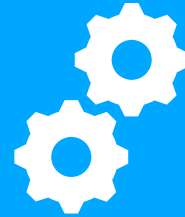
Leveraging Asset  
List Completed  
during Onboarding



## ANSWER ASSESSMENT QUESTIONS

Complete  
Frequency &  
Magnitude  
Workshop

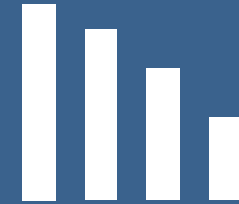
Use of Risk Data  
Libraries  
Configured during  
Onboarding



## MONTE CARLO SIMULATIONS

Save and Press Run  
Button

RiskLens  
Automatically Runs  
10,000 Monte  
Carlo simulations



## EVALUATE ASSESSMENT RESULTS

Review Rapid Risk  
Assessment Results

RiskLens  
Automatically  
Generates  
Risk Reports

## IDENTIFICATION PHASE: LEVERAGE FAIR TERMINOLOGY

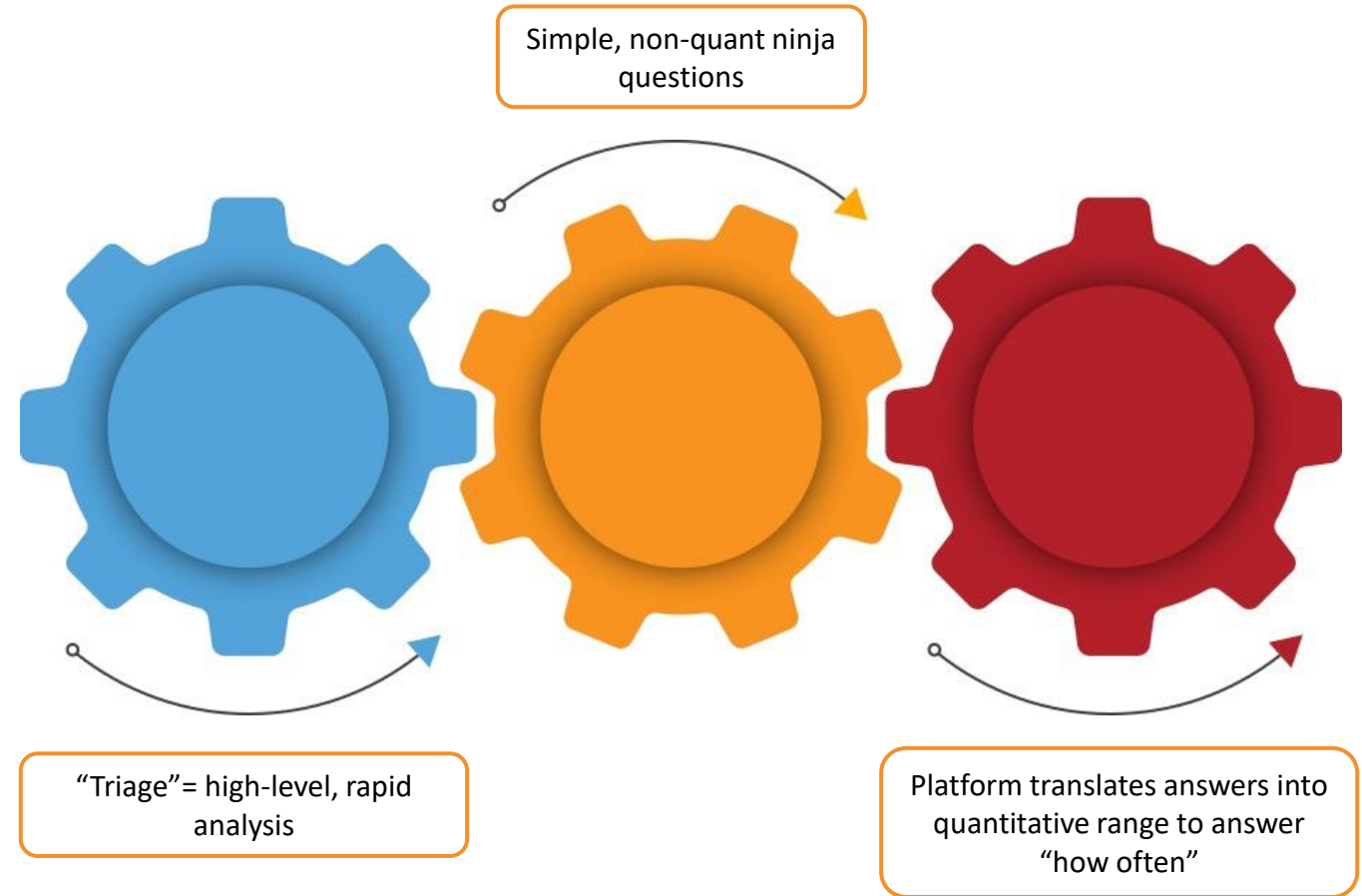
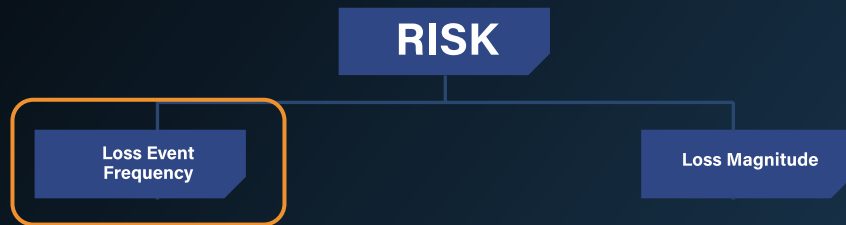


Breach of Customer PCI data from POS-related systems

Loss of Systems Availability due to malicious insider

Theft of Customer PII data through application attacks





# TRIAGE: HOW RISKLENS HELPS ANSWER FREQUENCY



# TRIAGE: HOW RISKLENS HELPS ANSWER LOSS MAGNITUDE

## Data Helpers & Loss Tables Drive Efficiency & Consistency

*Illustrative Example*

| Name              | Minimum | Most Likely | Maximum | Confidence   |
|-------------------|---------|-------------|---------|--|
| All Hands on Deck | 320     | 1000        | 2,250   |   |
| Minor             | 35      | 90          | 380     |   |
| Non Public Event  | 15      | 30          | 80      |   |
| Significant Event | 110     | 235         | 650     |  |

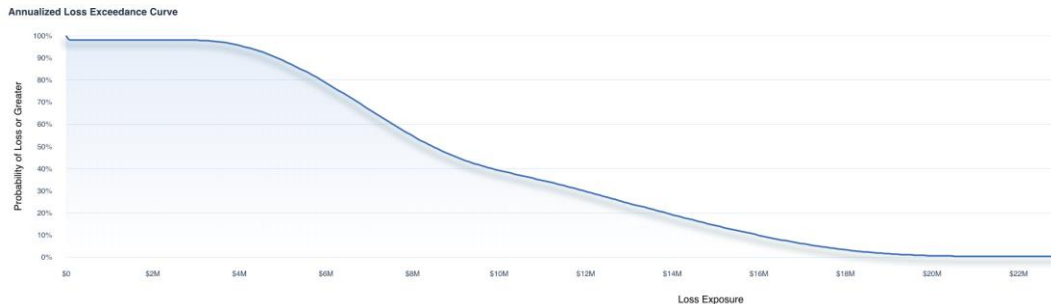




# TRIAGE: HOW RISKLENS COMPUTES DISTRIBUTIONS

## Embedded Monte Carlo Simulations

- Problem solving technique used to approximate the probability of certain outcomes by automatically running thousands of trial runs, called simulations, using random inputs from the data ranges provided
- Monte Carlo is used by RiskLens at every branch of the FAIR model
- Same techniques are used in other enterprise risk domains to assess market risk, credit risk, etc.



## Distributions Provide a Range of Outcomes

### Report By

- Most Likely
- Minimum
- Average
- Maximum
- Etc.

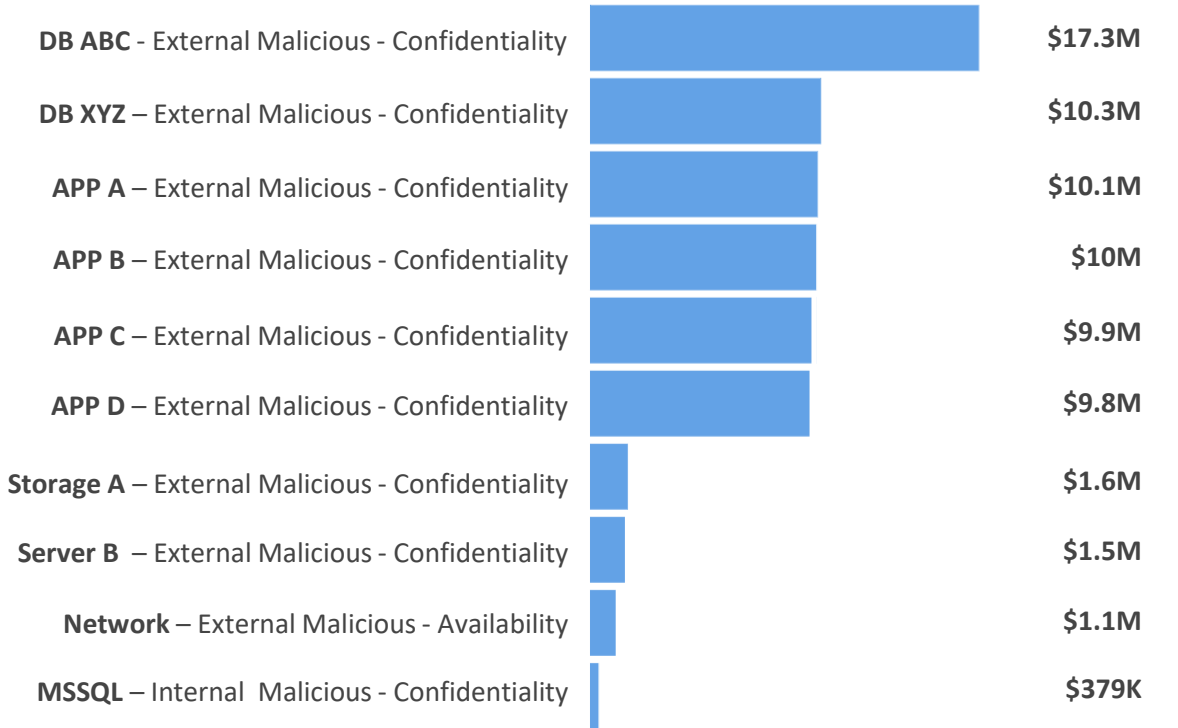
# OUTCOME EXAMPLE: TOP 10 TRIAGED LOSS EVENTS

## Annualized Loss Exposure Average

**Definition:**  
Top 10 scenarios with the largest average annualized loss exposure

**\$17.3M** Top Annualized Risk

Top Risks - Average Annualized Loss Exposure



**Thank you! - Q & A**

# WORKSHOP: SCOPE OF THE IDENTIFICATION PHASE

**40** Individual Scenarios Identified

**20** Selected for Triage Analysis

**10** Unique Assets

- DB ABC
- DB XYZ
- APP A

**5** Threat Communities

**3** Effects

