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From the CyAN Community



Australia's Horizon Cyber Security Initiative: What it Means for Industry

CyAN mentorship programme participant [David Gaul](#) · 22 July 2026

David examines Australia's Horizon cyber security reform and what industry can expect ahead of coming legislative change — the practical implications for Australian businesses.

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Cyber Risk Is in the Boardroom. Are Boards Ready to Govern It?

CyAN mentorship programme participant [Sanchay Joshi](#) · 21 July 2026

Sanchay asks whether boards are equipped to govern the cyber risk they now own — and how directors can move from receiving technical reporting to exercising real oversight of cybersecurity and organisational resilience.

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My Journey into Governance, Risk and Compliance (GRC)

CyAN mentorship programme participant [Sahiba Saggar](#) · 14 July 2026

Sahiba shares how she found her way into GRC, and what the path has taught her about building a career in cybersecurity governance — published as she completes her CyAN mentorship project under mentor Sapann Talwar. Congratulations, Sahiba!

[Read the article](#) →

CyAN Announcements

March 2026 mentorship cohort completes the programme

Congratulations to all of our March 2026 mentees on completing the CyAN mentorship programme, and welcome to the CyAN community. Thank you to our mentors, whose generosity and experience make the programme what it is. Interested in a future cohort? Applications open soon — [get in touch](#).

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Bharat Raigangar on separating AI hype from measurable value

CyAN board member [Bharat Raigangar](#) was featured in [tahawultech.com](#), arguing that digital activity does not automatically equal productivity: volume metrics mean nothing without systemic data protection and measurable risk reduction.

[Read the article on tahawultech.com](#) → · shared by CyAN, 9 July 2026

Courtesy of [White Hat IT Security](#), led by CyAN member [Sandor Féher](#)

Week 29 — “Next Stop: SYSTEM”

17 July 2026

This week's instalment breaks down CVE-2026-56164, a vulnerability affecting Microsoft SharePoint Server, and what defenders should do about it. [Read the analysis](#) →

Week 28 — “A perfect 10 in UniFi Connect”

10 July 2026

CVE-2026-50746, a CVSS 10.0 vulnerability in the Ubiquiti UniFi Connect Application: no authentication required, remote command execution on affected systems. [Read the analysis](#) →

News from Around the World

EU and UK impose first joint cyber sanctions on Russia

Brussels and London announced a coordinated sanctions package targeting GRU military intelligence officers and associated networks accused of years-long cyberespionage and sabotage operations across Europe — the first time the two have moved jointly on cyber sanctions.

Source: [BleepingComputer](#) · [GOV.UK](#)

Russian intelligence hacks IP cameras to track military logistics

Russian state actors compromised internet-connected cameras across NATO member states and Ukraine to monitor aid shipments and military logistics — a reminder that unremarkable IoT devices are now intelligence assets in wartime.

Source: [The Hacker News](#)

SonicWall SMA 1000 zero-days actively exploited

Two flaws in SonicWall's SMA 1000 secure-access appliances (CVE-2026-15409/-15410, one rated CVSS 10.0) were exploited as zero-days before disclosure, giving attackers root-level command execution on edge devices that exist to protect remote access.

Source: [Help Net Security](#) · [The Hacker News](#)

Scattered Spider duo jailed over £29m Transport for London attack

Two UK men, aged 18 and 20, each received 5.5-year sentences for the 2024 TfL intrusion that began with a single vishing call — one of the UK's most significant cybercrime prosecutions to date and a marker of how young the perpetrators of major attacks have become.

Source: [The Hacker News](#) · [The Register](#)

San Francisco orders Apple and Google to purge "nudify" apps

The San Francisco City Attorney ordered both app stores to remove AI apps that generate non-consensual intimate imagery, after finding the platforms had earned commissions on millions in revenue from them — a significant trust-and-safety escalation against the AI abuse economy.

Source: [TechCrunch](#)

Hugging Face breached by an autonomous AI agent

The world's largest AI model repository disclosed a breach attributed to an autonomous AI agent — an early, concrete example of agentic AI systems as threat actors rather than tools, with obvious implications for supply-chain security in the AI ecosystem.

Source: [The Hacker News](#)

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Racing the Cyber Clock — civil society under digital threat

CyAN board member [Kim Chandler McDonald](#) · 22 July 2026

Kim shares Protect.ngo's "Racing the Cyber Clock", on why civil society organisations — responsible for some of the most important, sensitive and demanding work in our communities — are increasingly exposed to digital threats, and what protecting them takes.

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Member Spotlight



Jihad Zein — Sydney, Australia

CyAN member · [LinkedIn profile](#)

Information technology, risk and compliance leader at Toll Group, with international experience leading IT roles across developed and emerging markets — and a recent Master in Digital Law from Monash University, awarded with distinction. Jihad also serves as a mentor in the CyAN mentorship programme.

Upcoming Events

GISEC GLOBAL 2026 — 16–18 September 2026, Dubai Exhibition Centre, Expo City, Dubai
The largest cybersecurity gathering in the Middle East & Africa; CyAN is a community partner.
[Details](#) →

Full calendar: cybersecurityadvisors.network/events

About CyAN

The Cybersecurity Advisors Network (CyAN) is a global, member-led, not-for-profit network dedicated to strengthening and protecting digital society. Founded in Paris in 2015, CyAN brings together experienced professionals across cybersecurity, privacy, governance, resilience, and trust and safety.

CyAN is not vendor-led and not driven by commercial agendas. It is a trusted community of practitioners and leaders who collaborate across borders to address real-world digital risks. Through knowledge sharing, global events, policy engagement, and a growing mentorship programme, CyAN supports the people doing the work that keeps digital society safe, resilient, and trusted.

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