Panelists

Dennis Tomlin
Multnomah County

Dennis Tomlin is the information security officer for Multnomah County. He manages a team that ensures endpoint and perimeter protection, incident response, forensics, identity management, HIPAA compliance and SAP security. In his role as county HIPAA security officer, he establishes policy, provides leadership and consulting for in-house county security initiatives. He protects county and constituent data and privacy by employing a 3x3x3 security model which consists of cyber intelligence, defense in depth and incident response. Previously, Mr. Tomlin was the information security and governance program manager for Papa Murphy's International, leading efforts to align the company with Sarbanes-Oxley and PCI-DSS security and compliance requirements. He also worked for 13 years for Lake Oswego medical device firm Biotronik in various roles, most recently as senior information security and GRC manager. He focused on HIPAA, FDA and ISO IT compliance within an ITIL and COBIT framework.

Mr. Tomlin has degrees in elementary education from Portland State University and forestry from Mt. Hood Community College. He also served in the Peace Corps in Paraguay from 1978 to 1981.

Andrew Plato
Anitian, Inc.

Andrew Plato, a 20-year veteran of the information security industry, is president and CEO of Anitian, the oldest security intelligence firm in the U.S. In 1995 while working at Microsoft supporting one of the first Internet e-commerce sites, Mr. Plato inadvertently hacked the site using an SQL injection style attack. This incident inspired him to start Anitian with a mission to help people understand the complexities of protecting data and systems. Since then, Mr. Plato has participated in thousands of security projects, authored numerous articles and given hundreds of presentations on all matters of IT security.

Mr. Plato is also a principal at TrueBit CyberPartners, a global advisor serving the cybersecurity industry. He is a sought-after speaker, author and advisor on security, risk, and compliance topics.

Michael Gutsche
Micro Focus International

Michael Gutsche is a security strategist for Micro Focus International, which he joined as part of Micro Focus' acquisition of Hewlett Packard Enterprise. Prior to joining HPE, he was senior vice president, operations core services, for MasterCard, senior director for the global operations service center for ESI and executive director, information security and engineering for Sisters of Mercy Health System.

Mr. Gutsche holds a Master of Business Administration degree and a Bachelor of Science degree in chemical engineering, systems engineering from Washington University in St. Louis.

Steve Povolny
McAfee

Steve Povolny serves as the Head of Advanced Threat Research within McAfee. Steve started his career working in network security and intrusion prevention, where he developed his initial passion for all things cyber security related. He spent several years as a security researcher, refining his expertise in both offensive and defensive security. Steve discovered his true passion was developing and leading world-class teams of highly capable and uniquely innovative security researchers - he brings that passion to McAfee along with his vision for ATR as one of the world's most trusted and capable security research organizations. Steve's teams are responsible for many facets of security research, including vulnerability discovery and analysis, malware and campaign hunting, and generalized topical security thought leadership.

On a personal note, Steve recently relocated to Portland, Oregon, where he is badly outnumbered by his wife and two young daughters. He loves to be outdoors, and enjoys camping, hiking, biking, fishing and hunting.

Leo Howell
University of Oregon

Leo Howell is an experienced and enthusiastic cybersecurity visionary committed to reducing risks and improving business productivity. Put another way, Leo empowers the "good guys" to do their stuff while doing what's necessary to stop the "bad guys" from being a pain in the neck. Leo currently serves as the Chief Information Security Officer for the University of Oregon. Previously, he serves as the Director for Information Security Risk and Assurance at NC State University. In a past life, Leo served in senior roles in Internal Audit and held many other IT and security roles in and outside of higher education. Leo is a Certified Information Security Professional (CISSP), Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA) and former certified almost everything else. He received his B.Sc. in Computer Science and Electronics from the University of the West Indies with honors, and his MBA from NC State University. Leo is a proud member of the international honor society Beta Gamma Sigma. He likes to build secure things and secure things. He is a proud husband and father and is excited and about the future.