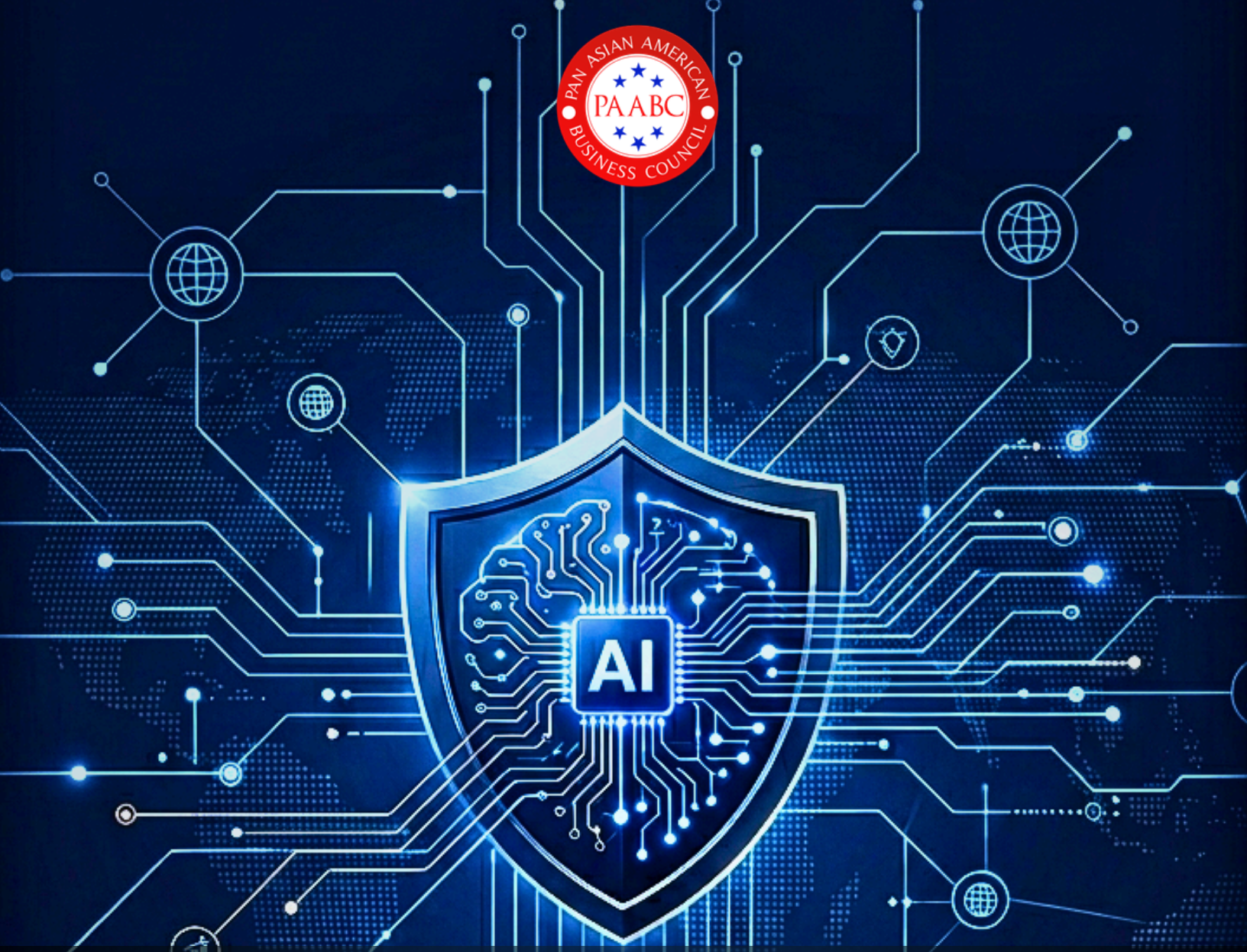


GCSI

The Intersection of AI Adoption & Cyber Readiness

November 19th 2026 at Chicago-Kent College of Law



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November 9, 2026

Global Cyber Security Initiative
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Greetings!

As Governor of the State of Illinois, I am pleased to welcome everyone gathered for the seventh annual cyber security summit hosted by Global Cyber Security Initiative (GSCI). This occasion offers an exciting opportunity for everyone in attendance to join fellow members of GSCI, as well as member partners like the Illinois Institute of Technology and Pan Asian American Business Council (PAABC) and generate ideas that implement solutions. I commend the work you all have done to help make Illinois a stronger and more enjoyable state.

Founded in 2016, GSCI has become a leader in global innovation in cyber security. Expanding operations to focus on broader concerns related to cyber security, GSCI has partnered with numerous organizations to spearhead a reimagining of security in the modern age. This year's conference, "The Intersection of AI Adoption and Cyber Readiness," focuses on critical infrastructure, occupational technology, and manufacturing that aims to ensure Illinois remains at the forefront of innovative solutions to the problems of today.

Illinois is proud to have enjoyed your service to our state. As you reflect on your accomplishments, I urge you to make plans for the future of your association that will build on your past successes. I am grateful for all the ways your organization, and its member partners, have supported a strong future for Illinois. On behalf of the people of Illinois, I offer my best wishes for an enjoyable and memorable occasion.

Sincerely,

Governor JB Pritzker



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

CITY OF CHICAGO

BRANDON JOHNSON
MAYOR

November 19, 2025

Dear Friends:

As Mayor, and on behalf of the City of Chicago, I am honored to welcome all those gathered for the Global Cyber Security Initiative's (GCSI) Annual Cyber Security Summit, co-hosted by the Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT) and the Pan Asian American Business Council (PAABC).

Since 2016, the Global Cyber Security Initiative (GCSI) has grown into a driving force for cybersecurity innovation, addressing critical challenges facing financial institutions, businesses, and industries. Through its commitment to advancing cybersecurity practices, strategic planning, and risk management, GCSI has established valuable partnerships with leading organizations, including the Illinois Institute of Technology, mHUB, 1871, InfraGard, and the Association of Information Technology Professionals. These collaborations have helped position Chicago as an epicenter for cybersecurity innovation and industry leadership.

This year's conference brings together more than 100 industry professionals and leaders from the private sector, government, and academia, along with more than 20 distinguished speakers. Through keynote presentations and expert discussions on critical infrastructure protection, operational technology, cyber resilience, security planning, and risk management, this gathering provides a valuable opportunity to exchange ideas, strengthen partnerships, and advance innovative solutions to today's evolving cybersecurity challenges.

I commend the Global Cyber Security Initiative, its partners, speakers, and participants for their continued commitment to advancing cybersecurity, encouraging innovation, and providing space for continued collaboration.

I hope you have an enjoyable event. Best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely,

Mayor



ILLINOIS TECH

Raj Echambadi
President

Dear Friends,

On behalf of Illinois Institute of Technology, I'm honored to welcome you to this year's Global Cyber Security Initiative (GCSI) summit.

The GCSI was founded to address the areas of concern outlined by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and the Pinancial Industry Regulatory Authority. Since its creation, GCSI has successfully partnered with Illinois Tech, among other prominent cybersecurity voices, and emerged as a key innovator in the field.

This conference-where thought leaders, companies, researchers, and government come together to share ideas and collaborate to address today's critical cybersecurity challenges-is crucial in today's increasingly interconnected world.

At Illinois Tech, we're innovating to address these global cybersecurity challenges and push the field forward through cross-disciplinary thinking. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the National Security Agency have designated Illinois Tech as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense Education, and the university's Center for Cyber Security and Forensics Education (C'SAFE) is at the core of Illinois Tech's designation.

I commend the GCSI for its critical contributions to cybersecurity innovation, and I look forward to our continued partnership in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

Raj Echambadi

Raj Echambadi
President, Illinois Institute of Technology



Welcome Message from the Conference Chair

Welcome to GCSI CIOTManuSec. It is my distinct pleasure to welcome you to this gathering of cybersecurity leaders, practitioners, researchers, and innovators focused on strengthening the security and resilience of Critical Infrastructure, Operational Technology (OT), and Manufacturing environments.

This year's theme, **"The Intersection of AI Adoption and Cyber Readiness,"** reflects one of the most significant challenges and opportunities facing organizations today. As artificial intelligence rapidly transforms how we operate, innovate, and defend our enterprises, cybersecurity leaders must ensure that technological advancement is matched by robust security strategies, governance, and resilience. AI is reshaping critical infrastructure, industrial control systems, and manufacturing operations, and our collective readiness will determine how successfully we navigate this evolving landscape.

Throughout the day, we have assembled an outstanding program designed to foster practical insights, meaningful discussion, and peer-to-peer learning. Our keynote speakers and presenters will share perspectives on emerging risks, evolving threat landscapes, leadership challenges, and the strategic approaches organizations are adopting to securely embrace AI- driven transformation.

Our conference panels will bring together distinguished security and industry leaders to discuss cybersecurity challenges across critical infrastructure, operational technology, and manufacturing sectors. These conversations will explore real-world experiences, lessons learned, and actionable strategies for strengthening cyber resilience while enabling innovation. We are also pleased to feature a fireside chat examining the intersection of technology modernization, DevOps practices, and security, along with expert presentations that will provide attendees with practical guidance for addressing today's rapidly changing cyber environment. Most importantly, this conference is about collaboration. The challenges facing our industries cannot be solved in isolation. By sharing experiences, exchanging ideas, and building stronger professional relationships, we can collectively advance the security and resilience of the systems that power our communities and economies.

I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to our speakers, moderators, sponsors, volunteers, planning committee members, and partners whose dedication and support have made this event possible. Your commitment to the cybersecurity community continues to create opportunities for learning, collaboration, and leadership.

Thank you for being part of GCSI CIOTManuSec. I encourage you to engage fully in the discussions, connect with your peers, and take advantage of the knowledge and expertise gathered here today.

I wish you an insightful, productive, and rewarding conference experience.
Enjoy the conference.



KasiPaturi
Conference Chair

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AGENDA

8:30 AM **Registration**

8:45 AM **Welcome Remarks**
Jason Bent, (Associate Dean, Chicago-Kent College of Law)

9:00 AM **Distinguished Speaker**
Gianna Kubiak (Director, Cyber Risk Consulting, RSM)

9:50 AM **CISO Panel: Critical Infrastructure**
Moderator: Glenn Kapetansky(CSO, Trexin)
Brian Yoshino(Cybersecurity Advisor, CISA)
Sebastiaan Gybels(SVP Cybersecurity, Northern Trust)
Bruce Coffing(CISO, City of Chicago)
Jigar Shah(CISO, Medusind)

10:40 AM **Networking Break**

10:55 AM **Distinguished Speaker**
Andrew Kumiega, PhD, AAIA, CISA, AAIR, CRISC, AAISM, CISM, CGEIT, CQE, CSQE, CQA (Owner, Engletown Engineering)

11:25 PM **Distinguished Speaker**
Humayun Khan (CEO, Enterprise Solutions Group)

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **CxO Panel : Operational Technology (OT)**
Moderator: Chris Carter (ServiceNow)
Wei Chen Lin (Cybersecurity Advisor, CISA)
Brian Young (Infrashield)
Tellis Williams (Seasoned CISO/ Info Security Executive Thought Leader)
Shane Hibbard (Invenergy LLC)

1:50 PM **Fireside Chat**
Shaun Martin (Principal DevOps Engineer, Quick Base)
Interviewer: Fayyaz Rajpari (Sr. Director, AppOmni)

2:20 PM **Distinguished Speaker**
Jean-Paul Thomas (Principal, DBA n2Data)

2:50 PM **Networking Break**

3:05 PM **CxO Panel : Manufacturing**
Moderator: Victor Hsiang(GATX)
Richard Rushing(CISO, Motorola Mobility)
Ken Townsend(CISO, Ingredion)
Kory Bakken(FBI Special Agent)
Liz Ogunti(CISO, JBT)

3:55 PM **Distinguished Speaker**
JC Vega (Founder & Principal, Executive Security Advisors)

4:45 PM **Closing Remarks**
Kasi Paturi (PAABC President)

5:00 PM **Networking Reception**

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8:30 AM - 8:45 AM

Registration

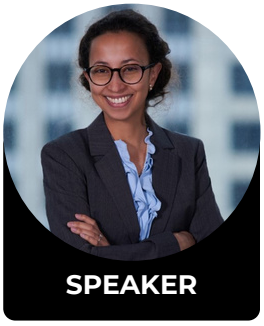
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Welcoming Remarks

Jason Bent, Associate Dean, Chicago-Kent College of Law

9:00 AM - 9:50 AM

Distinguished Speaker



Gianna Kubiak
Director, Cyber Risk Consulting, RSM

9:50 AM - 10:40 AM

CISO Panel : Critical Infrastructure

Securing Critical Infrastructure in the Age of AI: Balancing Rapid Adoption with Cyber Resilience



Glenn Kapetansky
CSO, Trexin



Sebastiaan Gybels
SVP Cybersecurity, Northern Trust



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CISO, City of Chicago



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Brian Yoshino
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10:40 AM - 10:55 AM

Networking Break

10:55 AM - 11:25 AM

Distinguished Speaker



Owner, Engletown Engineering

11:25 AM - 11:55 AM

Distinguished Speaker



CEO, Enterprise Solutions Group

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM

Lunch

01:00 PM - 01:50 PM

CISO Panel: Operational Technology(OT)

From Cyber Ready to AI Enabled: Transforming Operational Technology for the Next Era of Critical Infrastructure



Chris Carter
ServiceNow



Wei Chen Lin
Cybersecurity Advisor, CISA



Tellis Williams
CISO



Brian Young
Infrashield



Shane Hibbard
Director of Information Security, Invenergy LLC

01:50 PM - 02:20 PM

Fireside Chat



Fayyaz Rajpari
Sr. Director,
AppOmni



Shaun Martin
Principal DevOps
Engineer, Quick Base

02:20 PM - 02:50 PM

Distinguished Speaker



Principal, DBA
n2Data

02:50 PM - 03:05 PM

Networking Break

03:05 PM - 03:55 PM

CxO Panel: Manufacturing

Securing the Smart Factory: Cyber Readiness for AI-Driven Manufacturing



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GATX



RIchard Rushing
CISO, Motorola
Mobility



Ken Townsend
CISO, Ingredion



Liz Ogunti
JBT



Kory Bakken
FBI Special Agent

03:55 PM - 04:45 PM

Distinguished Speaker



J.C. Vega
Founder & Principal, Executive Security Advisors

04:45 PM - 04:55 PM

Closing Remarks



Kasi Paturi
President, PAABC

05:00 PM - 06:00 PM

Networking Reception

TEAM

- **Bruce Coffing:** CISO, City of Chicago
- **Laszlo Gonc:** Founder, Next Era Transformation Group
- **Dr. John Johnson:** Founder/President/CISO, Docent Institute
- **Dr. Fred Kwong:** CISO, DeVry University
- **Adam Lewis:** Deputy CISO, Alliant Credit Union
- **Michael Phillips:** Founding Partner, vSEC LLC
- **Ramona Ratiu:** Zurich Insurance Company Ltd.
- **Ravi Bhatarai:** CISO, Pritzker Group
- **Wynona Lam:** Youth Coordinator, PAABC
- **Kasi Paturi:** President, PAABC
- **Richard Warner:** Faculty Director, Center of Law and Computers, Chicago Kent College of Law
- **Nicole Beebe:** Dean, College of Computing, Illinois Tech

Communications

- **Sebastiaan Gybels:** SVP, Cybersecurity, Northerntrust
- **Ben-Ten Pas:** Co-Founder, ESG

Advisors

- **Collin Canright:** Canright Communications
- **Gregg Friedman:** Security Advisor at Brush Cyber
- **Tina Hauri:** President, Bradford Garrett Group, Inc.
- **Wayne Johnson:** Chicago CISO of the Year Award Founder
- **Walter Lefmann:** BoD, Docent Institute, CISO (retired)
- **John Mirkovic:** Deputy Clerk, Public Policy Office of the Cook County Clerk
- **Steve Moscarelli:** Strategic Client Director - Thales
- **Sean O'Kelly:** CEO, Meetings & Events International
- **Peter Tapling:** Managing Director, PTap Advisory, LLC
- **Ray Trygstad:** Professor Emeritus and Past Associate Chair of Information Technology & Management, Illinois Tech
- **Ron Williamson:** CISO, Director Cyber Strategies, Concept Ventures
- **Tellis Williams:** Executive Security Advisor, OESM
- **Dimitra N, Kane**: Sr. Business Architect HCSC/BlueCross BlueShield of Illinois
- **Rahul Patel**: Director of Cybersecurity, Office of Cook County Clerk

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