Sharpen your leadership skills through an innovative program inspired by the regimen of professional athletes, to join the ranks of top-performing CISOs.

The information security mandate is a challenging one. Against a backdrop of an evolving threat landscape, CISOs must realign program objectives constantly, improve cost effectiveness and handle increasingly sophisticated adversaries, in order to achieve results. The C-suite, while understanding the importance of cybersecurity, often views it as a cost center, rather than a business enabler.

Getting C-suite buy-in, and achieving results when the context and goalposts are fluid, require a unique set of business skills that Kudelski Security’s CISO Executive Leadership Program can help you develop.

Kudelski Security has partnered with security research analyst firm, Securosis, to offer a powerful combination of mentorship and coaching for security leaders who want to achieve higher results in their executive roles.

### CISO Executive Leadership Program

#### Key Outcomes

- Strategies identified to chart a path to leadership and build influence
- Negotiation, time management, and effective communication skills
- A more strategic vs. operational view where connections are made across business goals, strategies and results
- Sustainable, recognizable change with clear objectives and metrics to monitor performance

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### Advisory Services

- **CISO Leadership Review**
  - A foundational assessment to provide core guidance on strengths and challenges with a plan to address them

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### The Kudelski Security Advantage

- **Coaching Plus**
  - Certified, professional coaching plus mentoring from industry-leading CISOs

- **1-2-1 Approach**
  - Personally adapted coaching program, developing strategies for long-term success

- **Research-based**
  - Clear, practical, relevant leadership advice based on real-world experience
How We Engage

CISO Leadership Review
The client completes a survey, which we use to assess their strengths (measured against best-practice benchmarks), challenges and program objectives.

Review & Program Selection
Your coach and mentor will be assigned, and you will review the results of your assessment and come up with an action plan.

Coaching & Mentoring Program
You will meet with your coach and mentor regularly over the selected engagement period to address challenges and ensure you have the support you need.

The CISO Executive Leadership Program Overview

Kudelski Security delivers structured coaching programs that move beyond theory and into real-world practice. The CISO Executive Leadership Program pairs a certified, professional coach along with a Fortune 500 CISO mentor for a dynamic training combination, covering both skills acquisition and knowledge transfer, adapted to your needs.

Our program takes its inspiration from the world of professional athletics. To reach and maintain the highest level of performance, athletes will employ both a coach and a mentor. Our mentors – Fortune 500 CISOs who have walked the path themselves – will provide strategies and tactics of high-performing CISOs to help you become a more effective executive and nurture the mindset of a winner. The coach will focus on leadership and team development, operational excellence and innovation adoption, with concrete methods that will enable you to set and exceed the expectations of the C-Suite more effectively.

Kudelski Security offers three types of coaching programs:

CISO Leadership Review – A foundational assessment that identifies the strengths of the CISO and measures them against best-practice benchmarks. Engagement includes a review of current security program management and reporting structure. CISOs will receive coaching to understand how their talents can be harnessed to lead the security team more effectively.

Based on the outcome of the CISO Leadership Review:

High-Impact Initiative-based CISO Coaching – This two- to three-month engagement, driven by a short-term, urgent need, defines a strategy to address the challenge and establishes a specific and measurable set of actions to take. Program includes follow up on progress and course correction, building towards long term success.

CISO Intensive Development Program – This engagement will lead the CISO through a structured process to define success for their role, build their team and effectively communicate with internal and external stakeholders. In addition, it will cover how to implement an operational model to measure progress and leverage new technology and services to protect corporate assets. This program typically involves six months to one year of focused effort in the form of weekly calls, onsite visits, intensive coaching and mentoring sessions.