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“Transformation equals risk.”

- Cybersecurity Governance, Risk & Strategy
- Board-Certified Qualified Technology Expert (QTE)
- Technology Risk Mitigation and Compliance
- Integrated Risk Management
- Digital Transformation Roadmaps w/Security Integrations
- CIO ⇄ CISO ⇄ CISO
- Business and Technology Portfolio Alignment



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Laszlo has more than thirty years’ experience as a recognized senior leader providing thought leadership and strategic execution in cybersecurity, digital risk management, and information technology systems. His experience spans across multiple industries, including healthcare, manufacturing, supply chain, transportation/logistics, legal, insurance, marketing/advertising, banking, nonprofits, and Fortune 1000 companies. He is responsible for advising and helping organizations – corporate, government, and nonprofits alike – leverage cybersecurity as a strategic competitive advantage while securing their businesses and supply chain ecosystems, mitigate digital risk, and implement technology strategies that drive both performance and business value.

He is a nationally recognized keynote speaker, writer, lecturer, and serves as Advisory Board Member for the national Cybersecurity Collaborative, the Illinois Institute of Technology’s C²SAFE Program, national Advisory Committee for the Keller Graduate School of Management of DeVry University, and Senior Fellow & Founder for DivIHN’s Center of Excellence for Digital, Security & Risk.

He is a member of the Forbes Technology Council, Peer150, and co-founder of SIM National’s Digital Risk SIG. He is Chair Emeritus of the Project Management Institute (PMI) Chicagoland Executive Council, served as Executive Vice President for the Chicago Association of Information Technology Professionals (AITP), and is a Board Member for the Society for Information Management (SIM) Chicago and ISACA Chicago (ISACA). He is also a member of Chicago’s FBI Infragard, and Information Systems Security Association (ISSA).

Providing coaching and mentoring in Chicago’s strong technology incubation and innovation areas, he has experience with Business Model Generation and Design Thinking workshops. Laszlo holds a Bachelor of Science Commerce degree in Operations Management from DePaul University, is a certified CISSP security professional and *Board-Certified Qualified Technology Expert (QTE)*.

Compliance: CMMC, NIST 800-53/171, SOC2, ITAR/EAR, ISO27001/2, ISO31000, PCI DSS, HIPAA/HITECH, HITRUST, and others