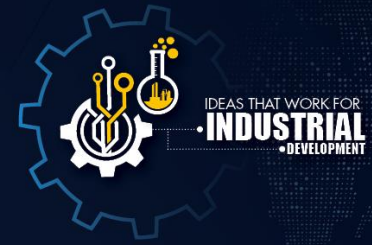


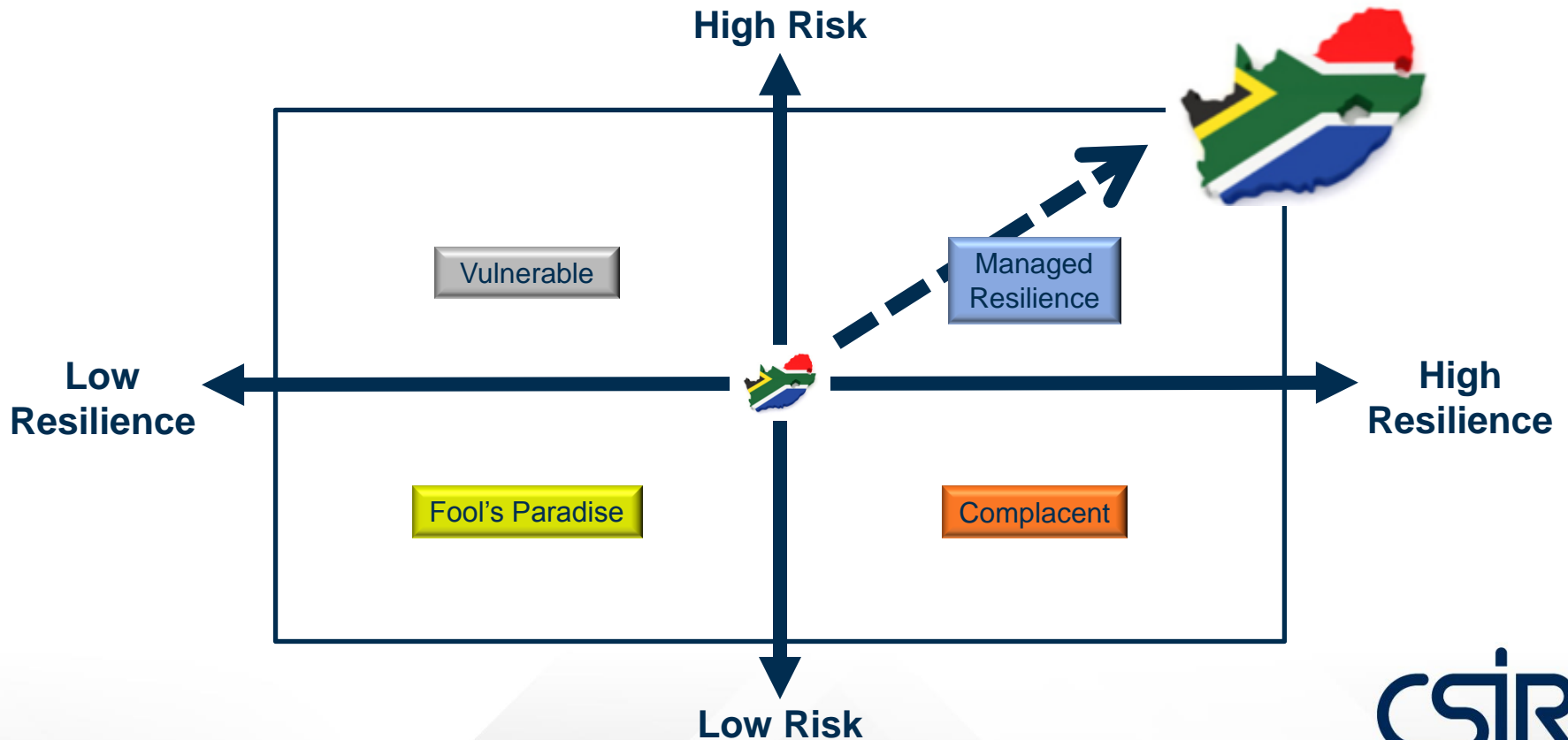
# CSIR work on improving cybersecurity for the South African industry

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6 October 2017

# How cyber-resilient is South Africa?



*Vision: South Africa is resilient even against high cybersecurity risk and threat levels*



# Cybersecurity research and innovation includes

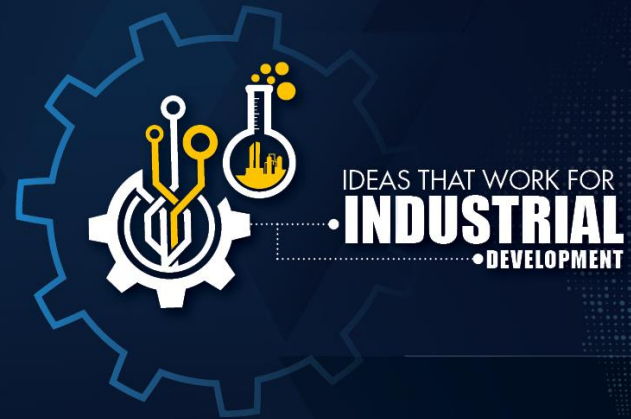


## Understanding the threats

### Developing

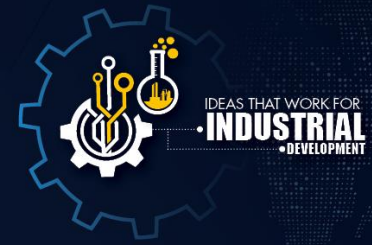
- technical expertise,
- security standards,
- integrated security solutions,
- processes to identify, protect, detect, respond and if all else fails
- the ability to recover from cyber-attacks





# CSIR track record

# Cybersecurity at the CSIR

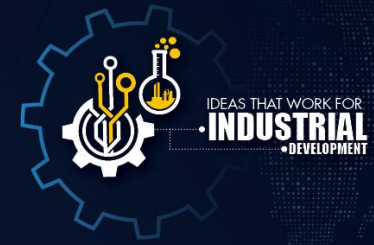


**The CSIR has a track record of working with government departments and industries to**

- write policy and strategy,
- enable smart buying decisions,
- build capacity and infrastructure,
- develop cybersecurity technology and tools,
- share threat intelligence, and
- respond to cyber attacks.



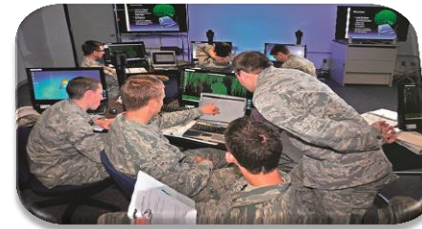
# CSIR cybersecurity RDI focus areas



A - Securing ICT Systems



B - Combating Cybercrime



C - Cyberwarfare



D - Identity Management



E - Awareness & HCD



F - Governance, Risk & Compliance



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# Key R&D partnerships for implementation of the National Cybersecurity Policy Framework (2015)



## Defence, State Security

- Information warfare, cyber defence, strategy

## Telecommunications & postal services

- Policy, advisory, National Cybersecurity Hub support

## Science and Technology

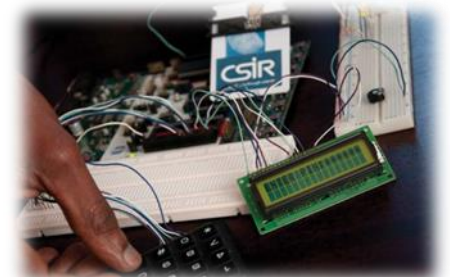
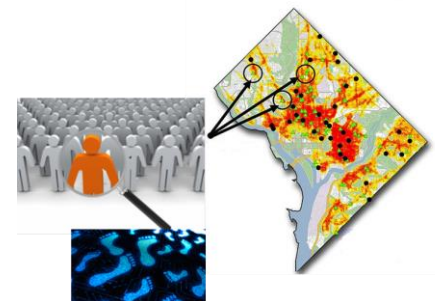
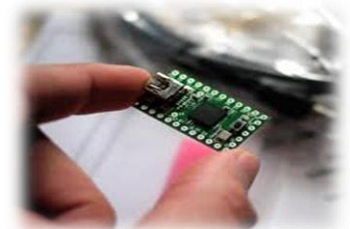
- Masters, PhDs, National RDI Programme
- Research infrastructure, research projects

## Police

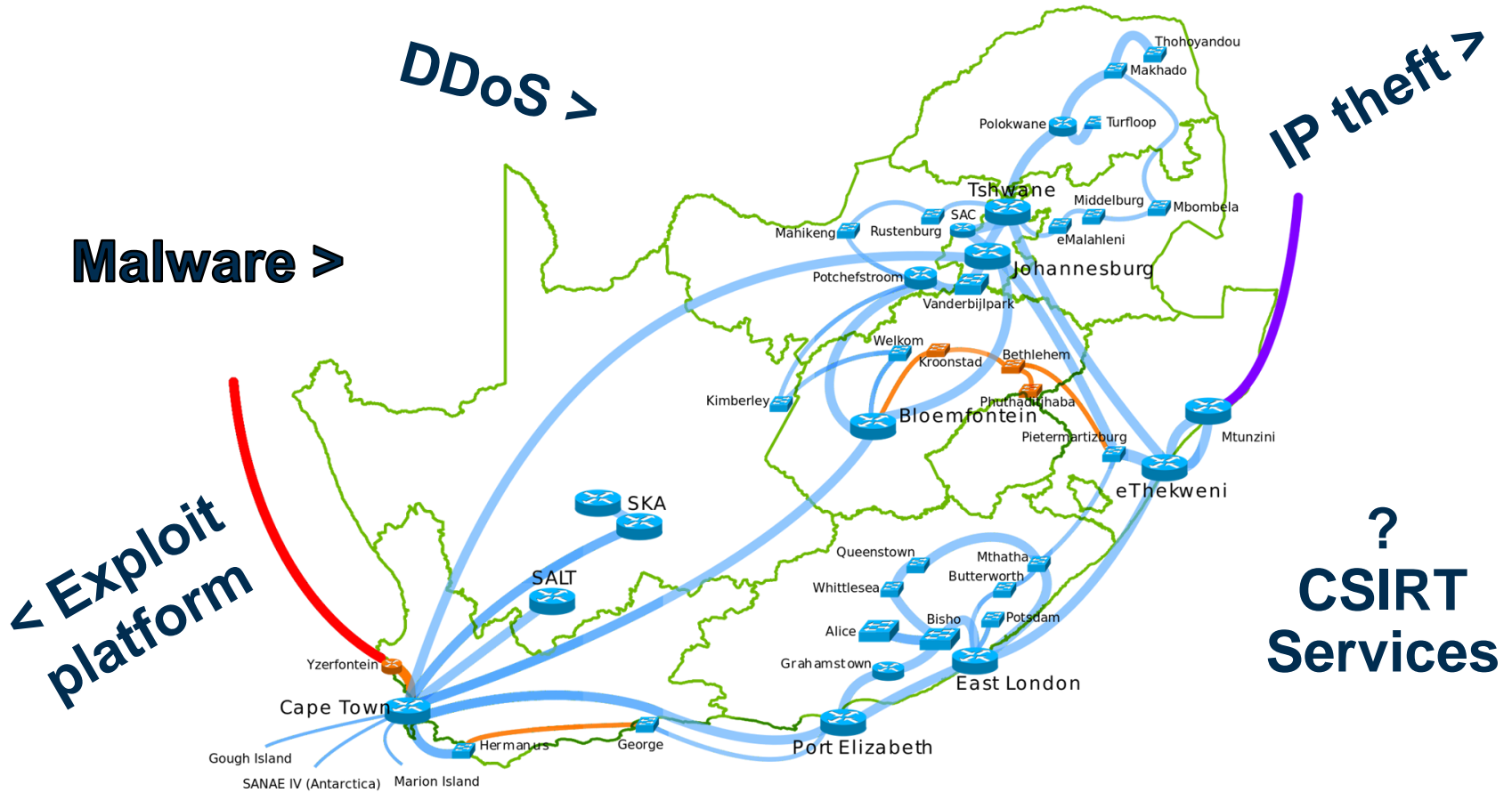
- Investigation, evidence, forensics, training, strategy

## Other Sectors

- National identity system (Home Affairs, SITA)
- Biometrics and smart cards (Home Affairs, PASA)
- Health information exchange security architecture
- Cyber legislation (Justice)
- E-commerce policy and devices (FSB, PASA)



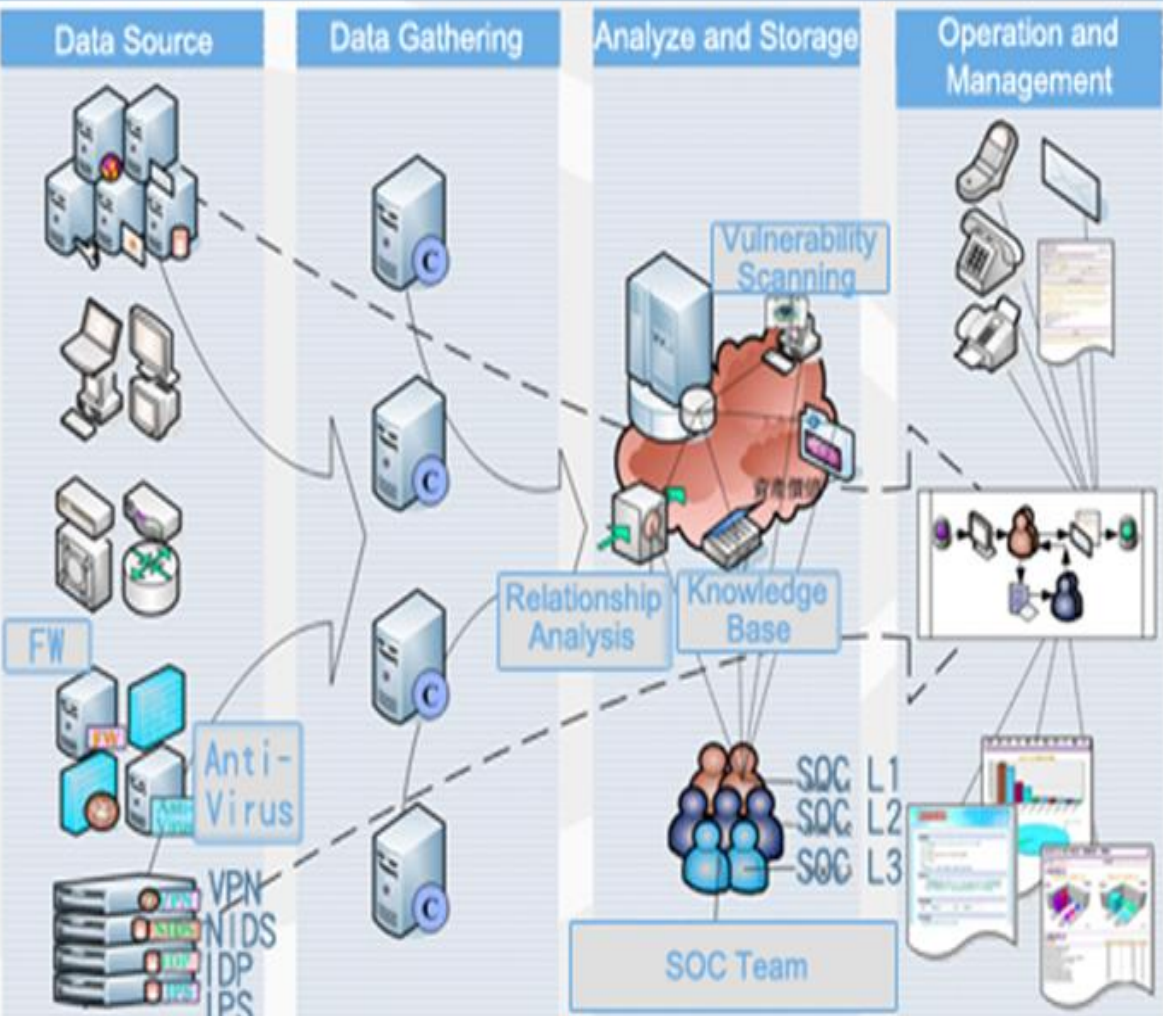
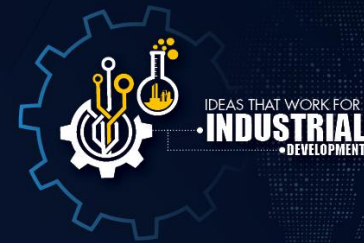
# A Computer Security Incident Response Team (CSIRT) for SANReN



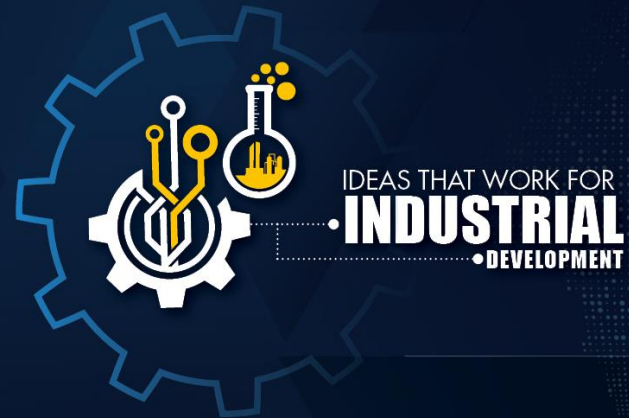
**Malware >**



# Security Operations and Security Operation Centres (SOC)



**Design,  
implementation,  
validation and  
verification of SOCs**



**CSIR research infrastructure**  
**Ready to support and collaborate with**  
**industry ..... to**

**NIST Cybersecurity Framework**

**Identity**

**Protect**

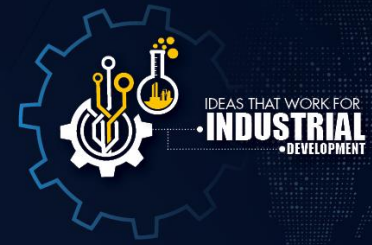
**Detect**

**Respond**

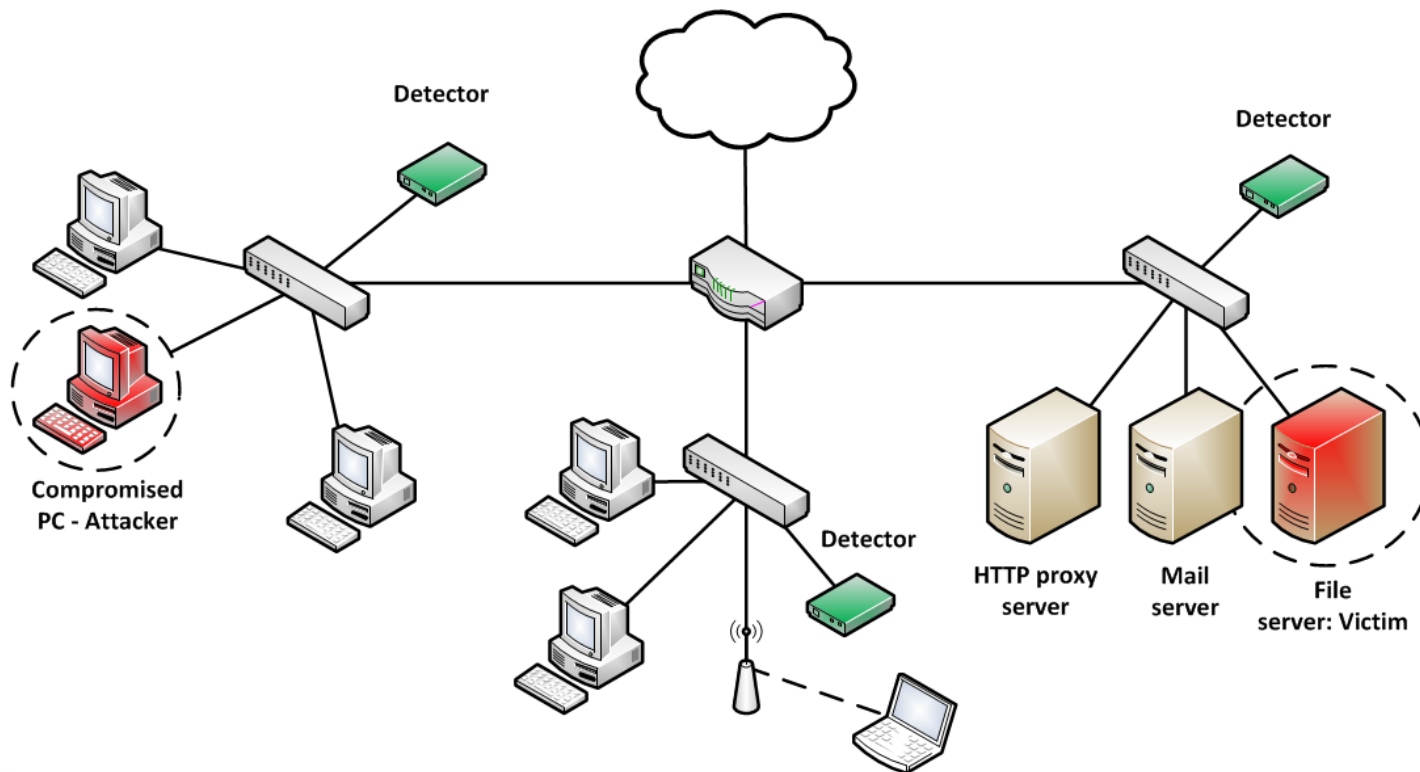
**Recover**

**CSIR**  
*our future through science*

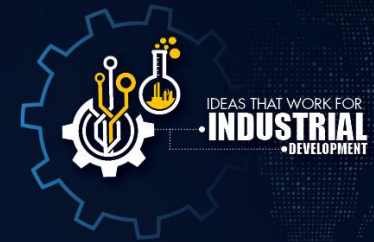
# Early warning detection technology



East - west cyberattacks – intranet - anomaly detection – during reconnaissance phase



# Network Emulation and Simulation Laboratory (NESL)

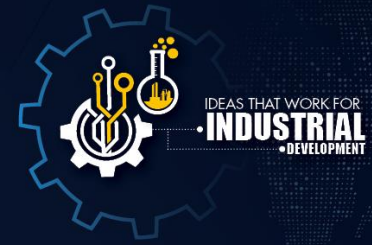


Creating, assessing and deploying complex networks, cost-effective, timely



Infrastructure funding supported by DST

# NESL Platform - Capabilities



- Web-based application – remote + isolated
- Multi-tenanted environment - concurrently
- Deployment of custom applications
- Realistic network traffic generation
- Flexibility - client use cases



Host



Firewall



Lightweight  
Switch



OpenVSwitch



Router



PC



Ubuntu Repo



Virtual  
Machine



Pentest VM



Vulnerable  
Webserver



Eport



## Find device vulnerabilities on the internet



**SCADA**

# Cyber Protect – Device vulnerabilities



**cyber protection**  
—safety & security—

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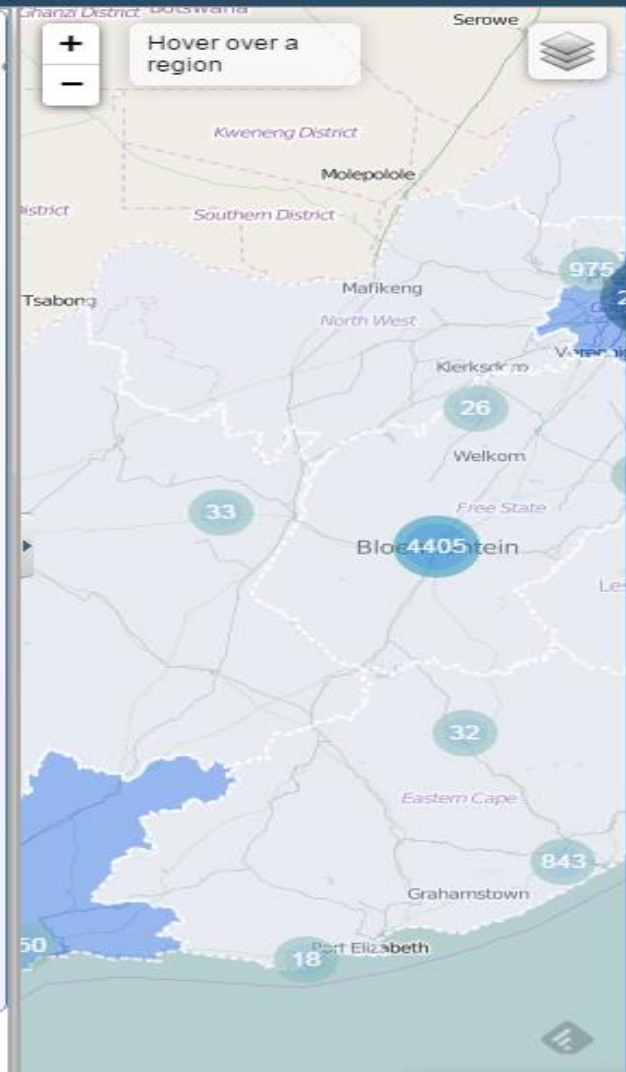
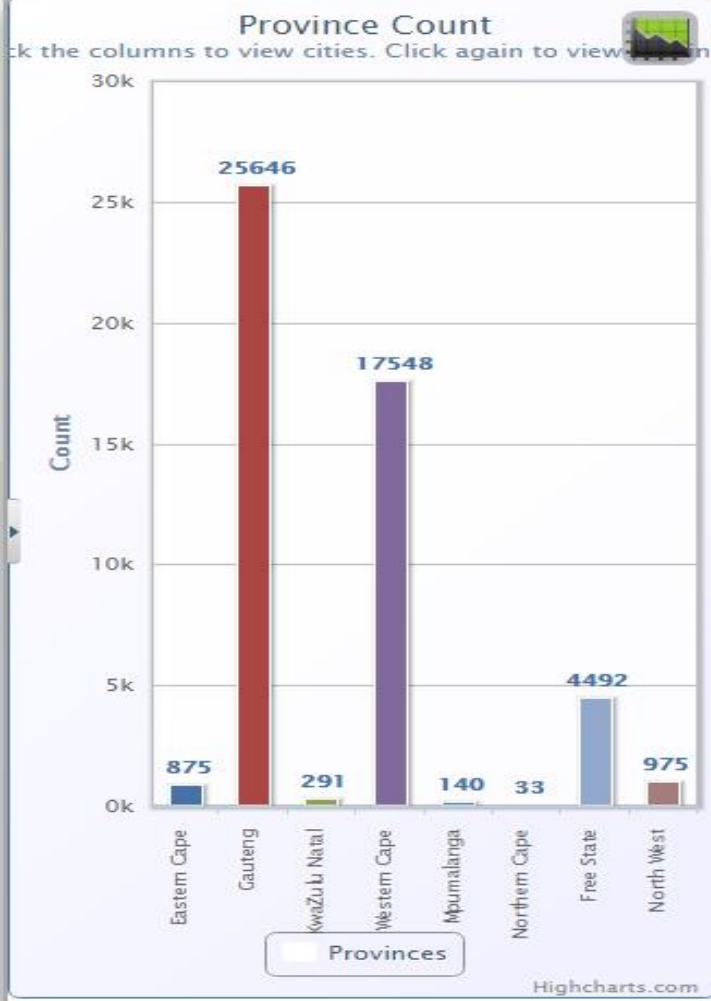
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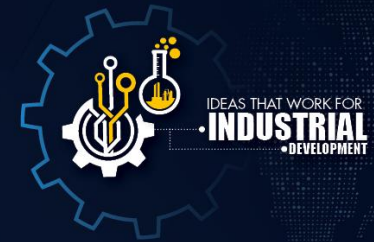
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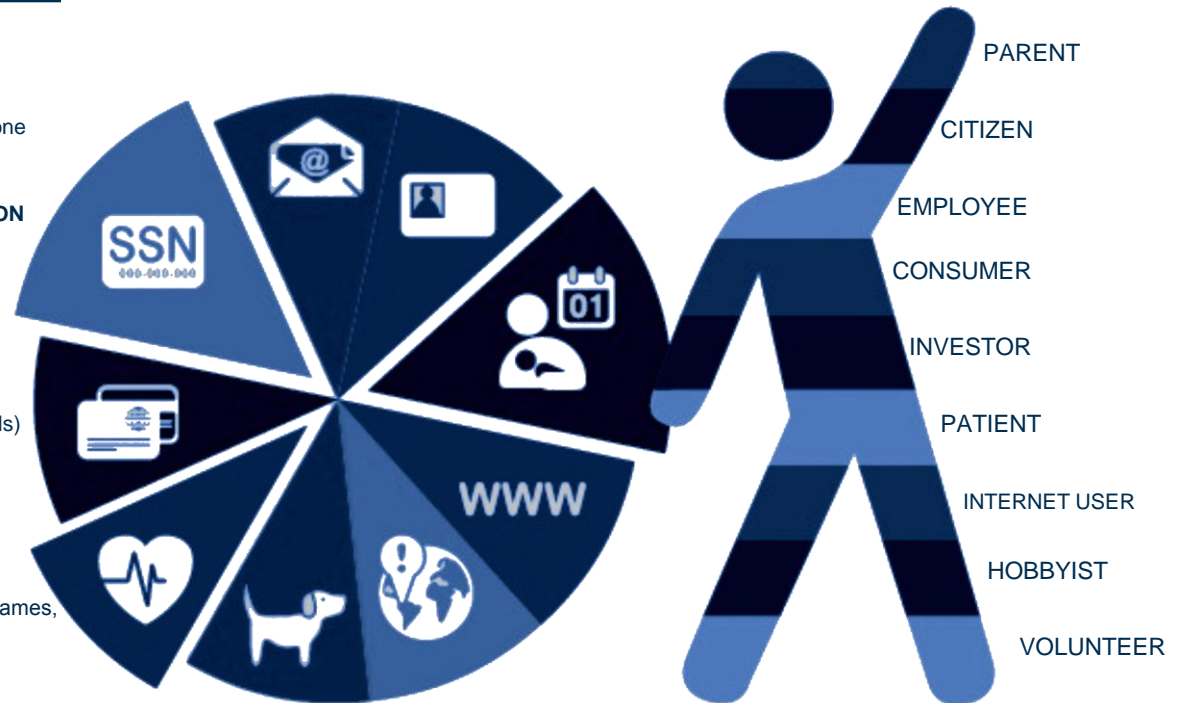
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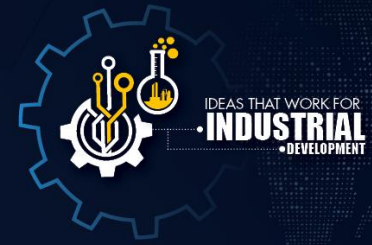
## Find Personal Identifiable Information (PII) being disclosed on the internet

### LEGEND

	<b>SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER</b>
	<b>CONTACT INFORMATION</b> (email address, physical address, telephone and mobile numbers)
	<b>GOVERNMENT-ISSUED IDENTIFICATION</b> (driver's license, passport, birth certificate, library card)
	<b>BIRTH DATE, BIRTH PLACE</b>
	<b>ONLINE INFORMATION</b> (Facebook, social media, passwords, PINs)
	<b>GEOLOCATION</b> (smartphone, GPS, camera)
	<b>VERIFICATION DATA</b> (mother's maiden name, pets' and kids' names, high school, passwords)
	<b>MEDICAL RECORDS INFORMATION</b> (prescriptions, medical records, exams, images)
	<b>ACCOUNT NUMBERS</b> (bank, insurance, investments, credit cards)



# Mobile Verification Centre



Mobile Verification Centre (MVC)

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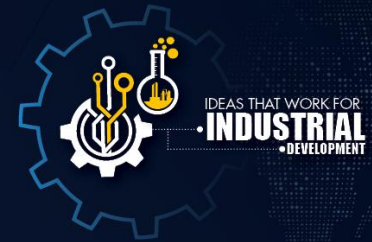
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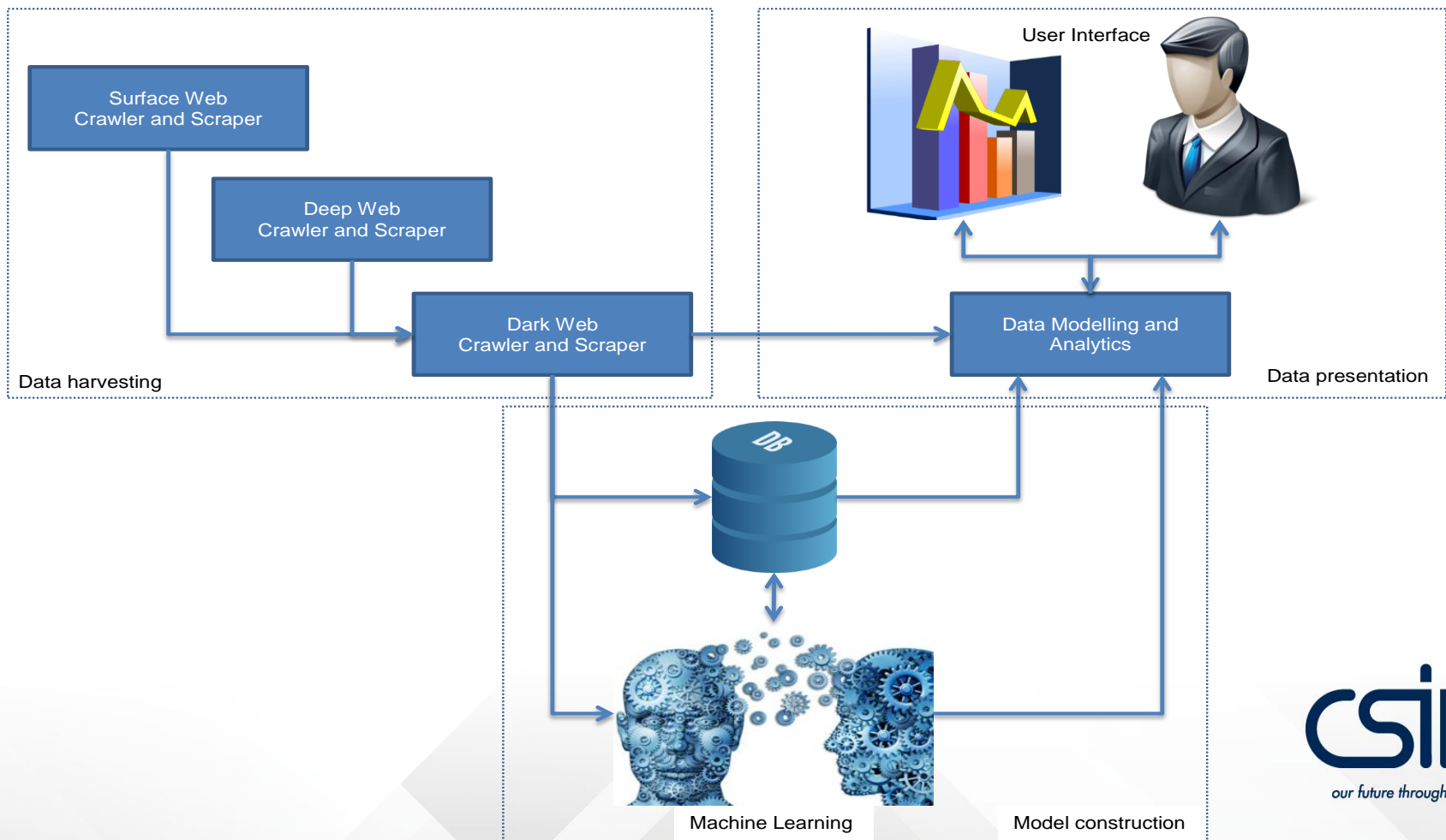
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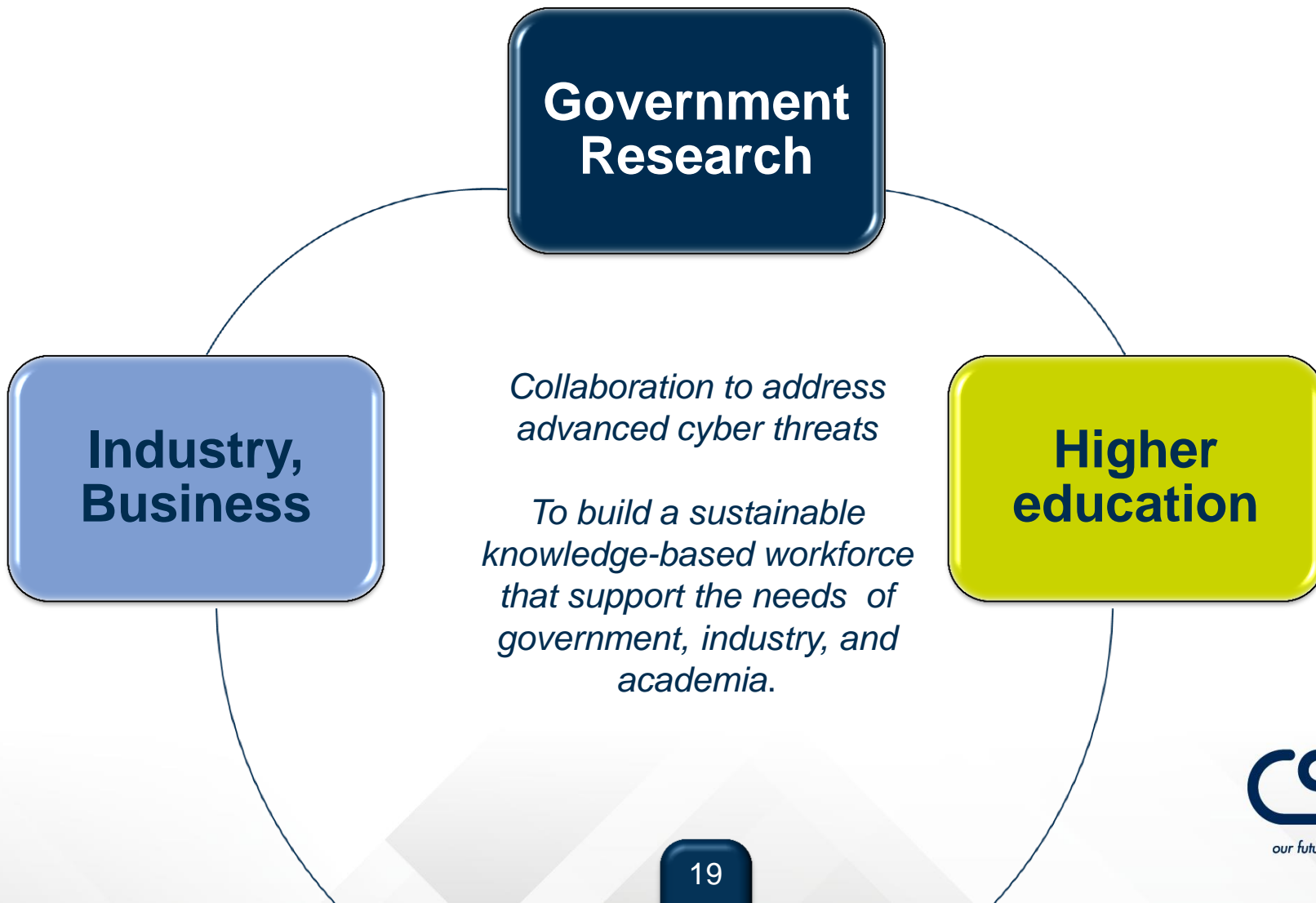
# Cybercrime Combating Platform – C3P



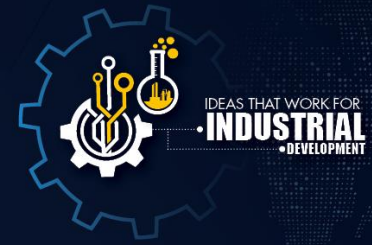
## Dark web data collection







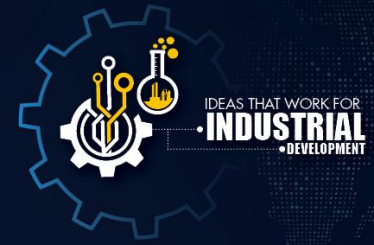
# Let's collaborate for a safer RSA



## CSIR is ready to support industrial and national cybersecurity and resilience through

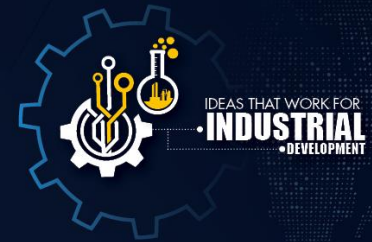
- implementable policies and strategies,
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- responding to attacks.

# Questions to the panel:



1. Is the South African industry prepared for the threats in cyberspace?
2. What is lacking?
3. What research, development and innovation is needed beyond current solutions?

# Contact us ....



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