

Taking the Guesswork out of the NIST CSF

IADC Cybersecurity Workshop

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Agenda

- Asset Identification
- Vulnerability Assessment
- Governance Process

The RIPE Program

Robust Industrial Control
Systems Planning and
Evaluation



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RIPE in Critical Infrastructure

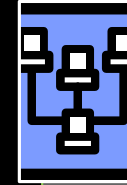
- The Loviisa nuclear power plant (Finland) trusts RIPE for efficient and measurable cyber security
- Fact-based performance in the real world
 - Not unfounded claims and hyperbole



RIPE Domains



System Inventory



Network Diagrams



Dataflow Diagrams



Plant Planning
Guideline



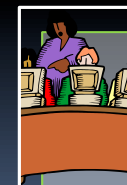
Procurement
Guideline



Workforce Information
Database



Policy & SOP
Repository



Training Program

Standards/Frameworks Crosswalk

Crosswalk Summary Matrix

		RIPE	ISA 99	NERC CIP	RG 5.71	NEI 08-09	ISO 27000	WIB	DOE C2M2	NIST CSF
RIPE Functions & Attributes	Governance	Green	Green	Yellow	Green	Green	Green	Red	Green	Yellow
	Metrics	Green	Yellow	Red	Red	Red	Green	Yellow	Red	Red
	Structural & Behavioral System Model	Green	Red	Red	Red	Red	Yellow	Red	Red	Red
	Cyber Security Capability Development	Green	Red	Red	Red	Red	Red	Red	Green	Red
	Ready-to-use Templates	Green	Red	Red	Yellow	Yellow	Red	Red	Red	Red
	Information Sharing on Problems & Progress	Green	Red	Red	Red	Red	Red	Red	Red	Red
	Cross-industry Approach	Green	Green	Red	Red	Red	Green	Yellow	Red	Green
RIPE Domains	System Population Characteristics	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Green	Red	Green	Green	Green
	Network Architecture	Green	Green	Red	Green	Green	Red	Yellow	Yellow	Red
	Component Interaction	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Red	Green	Red	Yellow
	Workforce Roles and Responsibilities	Green	Green	Red	Green	Green	Red	Yellow	Green	Green
	Workforce Skills & Competence Development	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Green
	Procedural Guidance (Policies & SOPs)	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Red	Yellow	Yellow	Green
	Deliberate Design Change	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Yellow	Green	Green	Yellow
	System Acquisition	Green	Green	Red	Yellow	Red	Red	Green	Green	Red
Alternative to Risk-Based/Risk-Informed	Green	Red	Red	Yellow	Yellow	Red	Red	Red	Red	

Significant differences	Red
Some elements in common	Yellow
Significant similarities	Green

Asset Identification

NIST CSF Guidance

- Points to NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 (but also lists five other standards)
 - Baseline configurations include information about information system components, network topology, and the logical placement of those components within the system architecture.

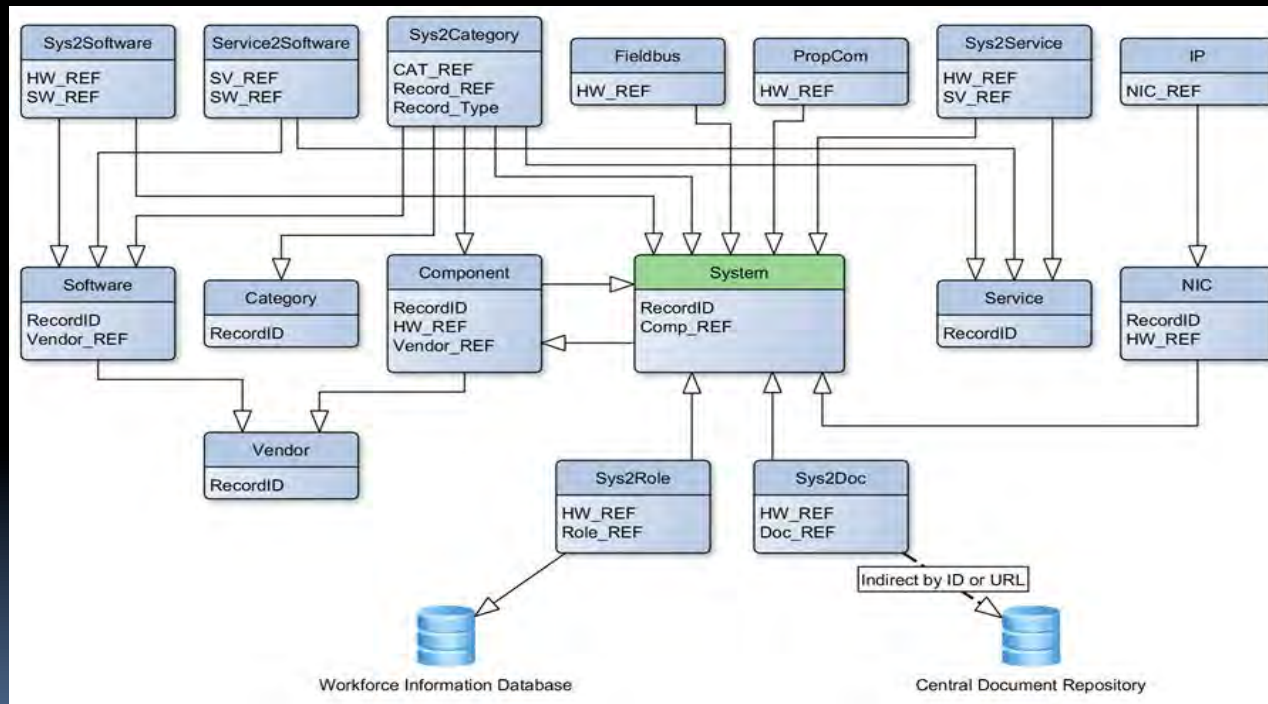
RIPE Guidance

- RIPE System Inventory Database Architecture Guideline
- RIPE Implementation Guideline
- RIPE Plant Planning Guideline



System Inventory

Reference DBMS Architecture



Vulnerability Assessment

NIST CSF Guidance

- It is important that organizations seek to incorporate emerging risks and threat and vulnerability data to facilitate a robust understanding of the likelihood and impact of cybersecurity events
- Threat and vulnerability information is received from information sharing forums and sources
- A vulnerability management plan is developed and implemented
- Vulnerability scans are performed

RIPE Guidance

- RIPE System Inventory Database Architecture Guideline
- RIPE Network Diagram Style Guide
- RIPE Data Flow Diagram Style Guide specifies what data flow diagrams should look like.

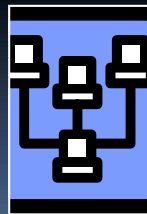
Advanced Vulnerability Analysis



System
Inventory



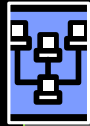
Dataflow
Diagrams



Network
Diagrams

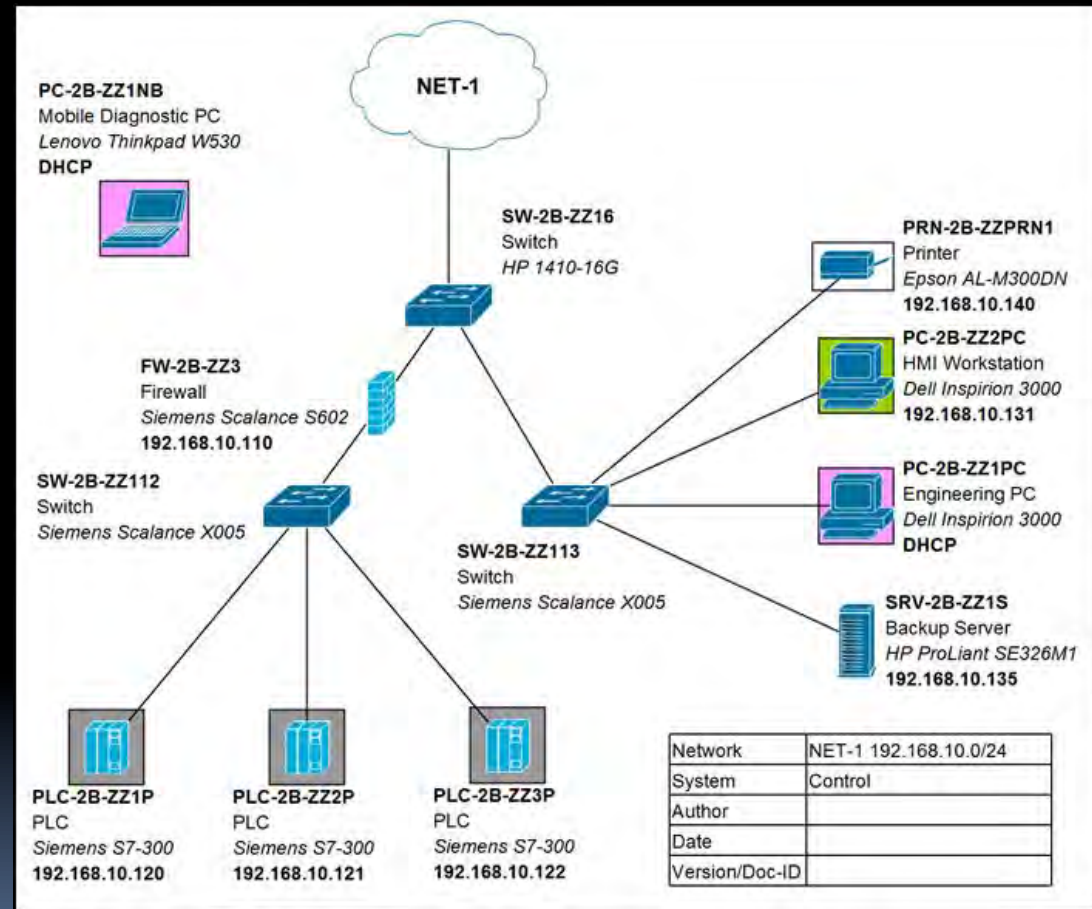
Enumeration of Cyber-Physical
Vulnerabilities in Real-World
Context (not Artificial Testbed)

**RIPE Analysis
to Discover
Plant-Level
Vulnerabilities**



Network Diagrams

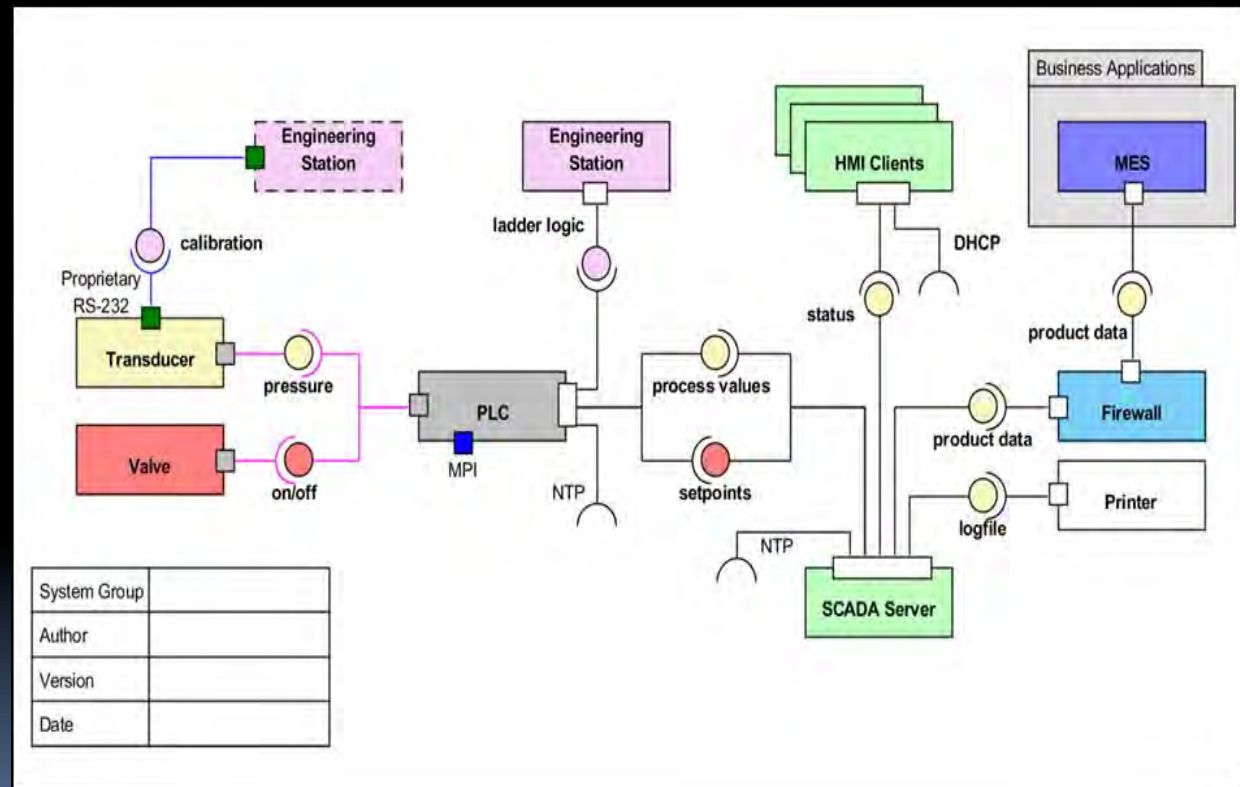
- Shows potential access routes
- Derived from Cisco Systems library
- Color codes highlight functionality
- Step-by-step guidance





Dataflow Diagrams

- Actual interaction pathways and dependencies as implemented in software (including operating systems)
- Produced as UML (Unified Modeling Language) component diagrams



Governance Process

NIST CSF Guidance

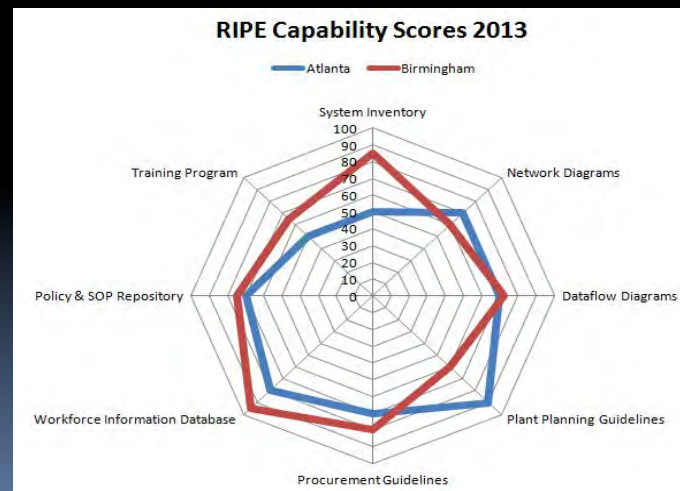
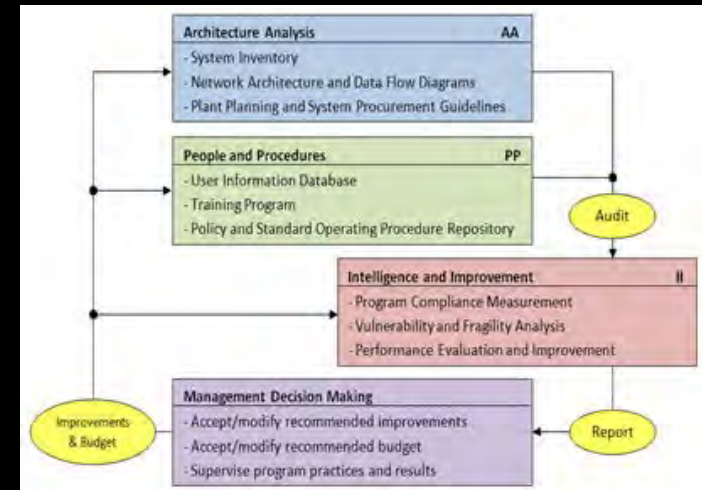
- An organization's assessment of cybersecurity risk and potential risk responses considers the privacy implications of its cybersecurity program
- Individuals with cybersecurity-related privacy responsibilities report to appropriate management and are appropriately trained
- Process is in place to support compliance of cybersecurity activities with applicable privacy laws, regulations, and Constitutional requirements
- Process is in place to assess implementation of the foregoing organizational measures and controls

RIPE Guidance

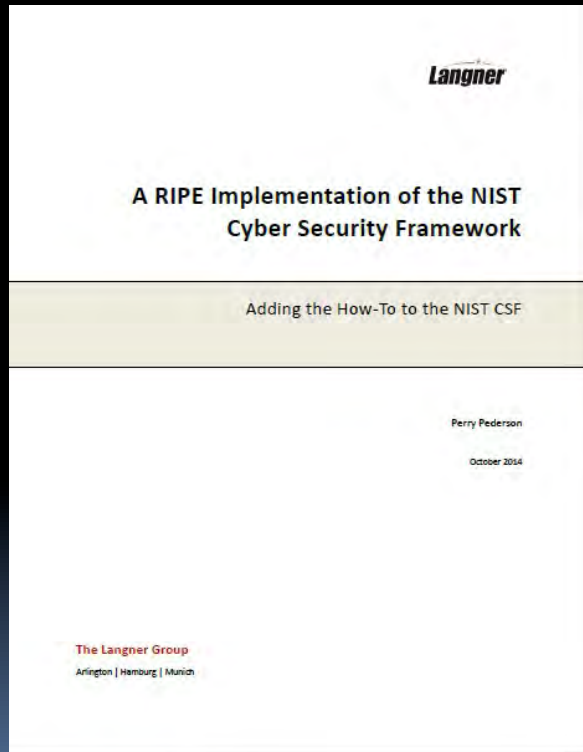
- RIPE Cyber Security and Robustness Program
- RIPE Implementation Guideline
- RIPE Policies and Procedures
- RIPE Training Curriculum
- RIPE Metrics

RIPE Governance Process

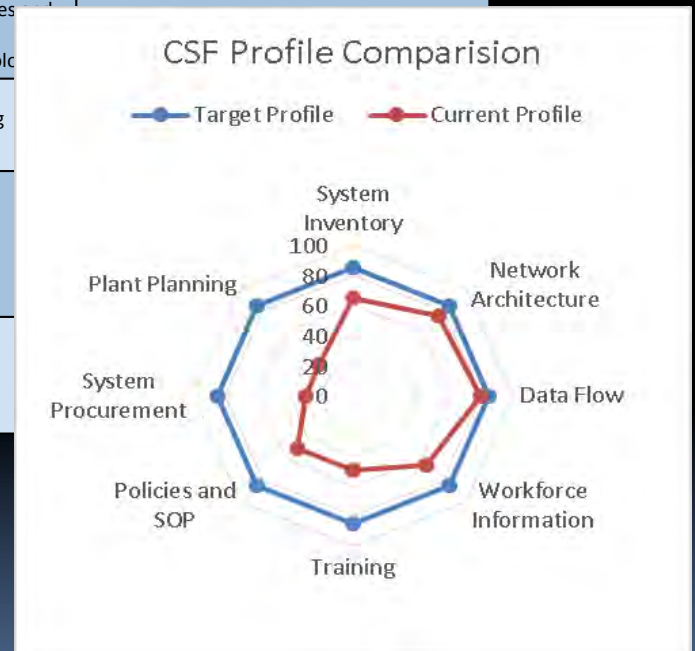
- Evaluate and continuously improve cyber security and robustness of ICS regardless of current state
- RIPE governance consists of:
 - Architecture Analysis
 - People and Procedures
 - Intelligence and Improvement
 - Management Decision Making
- Effective governance is hardly possible without metrics



Full Whitepaper



NIST CSF Function	NIST CSF Category	Reference RIPE Program Element
Identify	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Asset Management Business Environment Governance Risk Assessment Risk Management Strategy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Architecture Analysis People and Procedures Intelligence and Improvement Reporting and Management Sign-Off Roles and Responsibilities
Protect	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access Control Awareness and Training Data Security Information Protection Processes Procedures Maintenance Protective Technol 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Architecture Analysis People and Procedures Roles and Responsibilities
Detect	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anomalies and Events Security Continuous Monitoring Detection Processes 	
Respond	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Response Planning Communications Analysis Mitigation Improvements 	
Recover	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recovery Planning Improvements Communications 	



Additional Reading

- A RIPE Implementation of the NIST Cyber Security Framework
 - <http://www.langner.com/en/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/A-RIPE-Implementation-of-the-NIST-CSF.pdf>
- The RIPE Brochure
 - <http://www.langner.com/en/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/RIPE-Brochure.pdf>
- The RIPE Program Whitepaper
 - <http://www.langner.com/en/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/The-RIPE-Framework.pdf>
- Robust control system networks: How to achieve reliable control after Stuxnet
 - <http://www.amazon.com/Robust-Control-System-Networks-Langner/dp/1606503006>
- To kill a centrifuge: A technical analysis of what Stuxnet's creators tried to achieve
 - <http://www.langner.com/en/wp-content/uploads/2013/11/To-kill-a-centrifuge.pdf>
- Bound to Fail: Why Cyber Security Risk Cannot Be "Managed" Away
 - <http://www.brookings.edu/research/papers/2013/02/cyber-security-langner-pederson>
- A Cost-Efficient Approach to High Cyber Security Assurance in Nuclear Power Plants
 - <http://www.langner.com/en/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/High-Cyber-Security-Assurance-in-NPPs.pdf>

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