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SECURE 5G WORKING GROUP
CHARTER

Mission Statement

The mission of the Secure 5G Working Group is to advance communication between Government, industry, and academia, through identifying Secure 5G infrastructure and policies.

Context

5G is opening the door to many emerging technologies that will be game-changing for the Government. Ultimately, agencies want to achieve the many benefits of fast and reliable 5G while operating through trusted networks. Securing 5G involves identifying and addressing threats to infrastructure, supply chain, and networks, while also standardizing policies and environments to ensure a frictionless user experience.

Scope

The scope of the Secure 5G Working Group includes:
- Public and private Secure 5G networks
- Strategies and tools to improve 5G security
- Implications of virtualization of networks and deployment architectures
- Infrastructure, convergence, reliability, and resilience

Objective

The objective of the Secure 5G Working Group is to identify minimum requirements for 5G security network architecture, including convergence, reliability, resilience, and policies.

Deliverables

The Secure 5G Working Group will develop recommendations for the Government to address 5G Security best practices and use cases. Formats for the deliverables may include but are not limited to White Papers, guide books, reference documents, and events.

Working Group Membership

Working Group Chairs

Christian Williams, GSA, Government Chair
Brian Daly, AT&T, Industry Vice Chair

Working Group Chairs will:
- Attend and contribute to each Working Group meeting
- Prepare the meeting agenda, solicit topics for discussion, assign members to address discussion topics, and distribute meeting materials
- Share information of relevance; provide an update/introduction at the beginning of each meeting to encourage member engagement
- Define Working Group initiatives and activities
- Assist in forming and providing feedback on deliverables

Working Group Members

Working Group Members will:
- Participate in meetings, including exchanging technical information, experiences, and best practices to develop a shared understanding of the topic(s)
- Gather information and work on group deliverables outside of meetings as needed
- Provide feedback on draft deliverables as requested
- Co-lead or participate in Sub-Working Groups (breakout teams/project teams) as needed
- Provide input on meeting agendas as requested

ATARC Support

Elizabeth Wyckoff, Working Group Program Manager
Amy Karpowicz, Working Group Associate
Tim Harvey, Director of Government Engagement

ATARC support will:
- Serve as program manager for the Working Group
- Coordinate and drive group projects and deliverables forward
- Schedule Working Group meetings
- Develop Working Group meeting agendas along with the chairs
- Facilitate Working Group meetings along with the chairs
- Assist in distributing relevant documents and materials to Working Group members
- Send meeting minutes, post-meeting decisions, and action items to Working Group members after each meeting
- Assist in preparing final proposals/recommendations
- Provide marketing services for the Working Group (promoting completed deliverables, etc.)
- Develop strategies to improve Working Group engagement, including applicable cross-overs with other Working Groups and relevant events
- Coordinate Working Group Labs as applicable

Rules of Engagement

The Working Group rules of engagement are described as below:
- Meet bi-weekly from 2023 to 2025, or until amended by ATARC Support
- Follow the Working Group's ground rules developed in the charter
- Join Working Group meetings prepared and with requested action items completed
- Provide respectful and constructive feedback to yield the best decisions for the Working Group's objectives
- Final decisions are made by the Working Group Co-Chairs and ATARC Support

The Working Group will:
- Meet every other Tuesday from 10:30-11:30 AM EST.
- Form Sub-Working Groups (breakout teams/project teams) as needed
- Follow the group's ground rules developed at one of the Working Group meetings
- Strive to make decisions by unanimous agreement. All members of the Working Group have a voice and will be listened to.
- If a Working Group member misses a meeting, decisions will be made in their absence. The Working Group will decide on a case by case basis if a decision made in the absence of a member shall be revisited.

File Sharing and Collaboration Tools

Access to the ATARC Box Account is managed by ATARC Support.

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