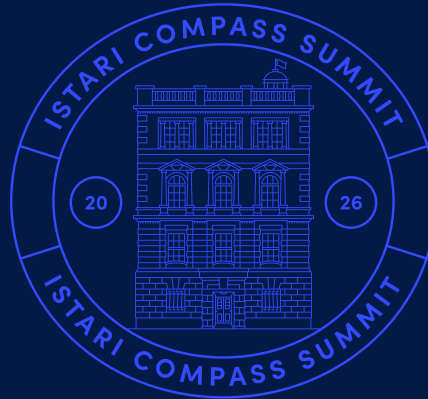




ISTARI COMPASS SUMMIT

The Royal United Services Institute, London



June 3rd — 4th 2026



Resilience in the Exponential Age

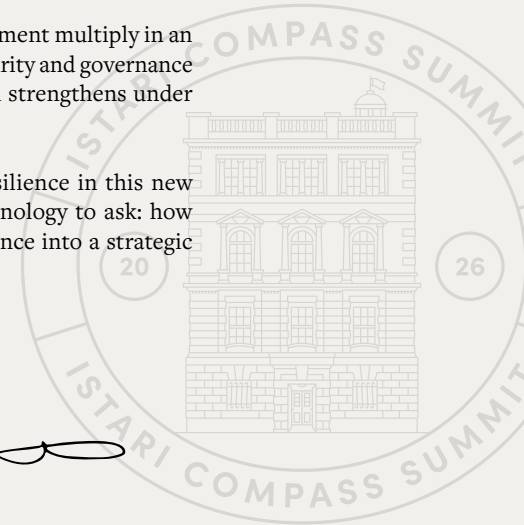
We have entered the exponential age - where technologies like AI, quantum computing, and synthetic media are evolving faster than the ability of societies, institutions, and leaders to adapt, creating an “exponential gap” that challenges the very foundations of resilience. This accelerating change is reshaping geopolitics, competition, and risk itself.

For cyber leaders, the implications are profound. As the speed and scale of technological advancement multiply in an exponential age, so too do the velocity and sophistication of threats. Traditional approaches to security and governance are being outpaced. Resilience must therefore be dynamic - a capability that learns, adapts, and strengthens under stress - and evolve to be exponential itself.

The fifth annual edition of the COMPASS Summit will explore how to lead and invest for resilience in this new era of exponential change. It will bring together leaders from business, government, and technology to ask: how can organisations and institutions not just withstand disruption, but harness it - turning resilience into a strategic advantage in the age of acceleration?



ROSSA SHANKS
Chief Executive Officer
ISTARI





Our culture is collective. We achieve great things together and are delighted to welcome our knowledge partners to COMPASS 2026.

Premier



Halcyon is the world's first cyber resilience platform designed from day one to defeat ransomware. Global 2000 companies rely on Halcyon to augment existing XDR/EDR platforms and undo attacks in minutes with bypass and evasion protection, key capture and automated decryption, and exfiltration and extortion prevention.

[HALCYON.AI](https://halcyon.ai)



Sygnia is the foremost global cyber readiness and response team, applying creative approaches and battle-tested solutions to help organisations beat attackers and stay secure. They are a trusted advisor and service provider of technology and security teams, executives and boards of leading organisations worldwide. Sygnia supports clients at each stage of their security journey, bringing frontline experience and technological acumen to help them be unstoppable in the face of cyber threats.

[SYGNIA.CO](https://sygnia.co)



Egon Zehnder is the world's preeminent leadership advisory firm. They partner with organisations to unlock transformative leadership solutions as they face accelerating complexity. With more than 600 consultants across 71 offices and 37 countries, they combine individual strengths to form a powerful global team. They bring deep industry experience and a commitment to human-centred advisory—spanning CEO succession, board effectiveness, executive search, leadership development, and the evolving role of AI in business.

[EGONZEHNDER.COM](https://egonzehnder.com)

Silver



Incubated and funded in stealth inside of KPMG Studio, with additional institutional investment by SYN Ventures, Cranium emerged in 2023 with a mission to secure the AI revolution by delivering the industry's leading AI security and trust solution. Whether organizations are builders and/or consumers of AI, Cranium offers a comprehensive platform that enables complete security, compliance, and trust across the entire AI supply chain.

[CRANIUM.AI](https://cranium.ai)



Prevalent AI was founded to assemble the world's best AI and Data Science talent, a team capable of building the security analytics of the future. In a security technology landscape filled with rigid, siloed solutions and disparate data, organisations are unable to tackle threats and vulnerabilities effectively. By combining our Security Data Fabric with AI-powered Exposure Management, Prevalent AI provides its clients with complete clarity of their cyber risk.

[PREVALENT.AI](https://prevalent.ai)



AGENDA OVERVIEW



June 2nd — 4th 2026

Resilience in the Exponential Age

June 2nd

19:00

Welcome Drinks
Café Ciel, Old War Office Hotel



June 3rd

09:00 – 17:30

Day One: Cyber in the Macro
Royal United Services Institute (RUSI)

19:00

Gala Dinner
Banqueting House



June 4th

09:00 – 16:00

Day Two: Cyber Leadership & Transformation
Royal United Services Institute (RUSI)





THE SUMMIT AGENDA

Wednesday, June 3rd 2026

Cyber in the Macro

9:00 - 9:10

Welcome and Resilience in the Exponential Age

Rossa Shanks, ISTARI & Jason Mallinder, ISTARI

9:10 - 9:40

Welcome to the Exponential Age

Azeem Azhar, Author and Entrepreneur

9:40 - 10:00

The New Geopolitical Operating System

Gordon Corera, Author and Journalist

10:00 - 10:50

Leadership in a Non-Linear World

Gordon Corera, Author and Journalist
Azeem Azhar, Author and Entrepreneur

Tom Glocer, Director, Morgan Stanley
TS Anil, CEO, Monzo

10:50 - 11:15

Break

11:15 - 12:15

The Tipping Point: Cyber at Exponential Speed

Gordon Corera, Author and Journalist
Chris Inglis, former Deputy Director, NSA
Eva Chen, CEO, Trend Micro
Christopher Ahlberg, Founder, Recorded Future

12:15 - 13:00

From Signals to Shockwaves: Three Technologies Redefining Cyber Risk

Rachel Laursen, Partner, ISTARI
Mark Carney, Founer Quantum Village, Quantum
Henry Comfort, CEO Geordie AI, Agentic AI
Tom Garnett, Refute, Synthetic Media

13:00 - 14:00

Lunch

14:00 - 14:30

Agentic AI Delivers Exponential Opportunity and Risk

Eva Chen, Trend Micro

14:30 - 15:30

No Safe Mode: Governance at Machine Speed

Ramy Houssaini, Cloudflare
Jonathan Lloyd White, CISO, Bupa
Jonathan Dambrot, Cranium
Lisa Einstein, former Chief AI Officer, CISA

15:30 - 16:00

Break

16:00 - 16:30

Plotting Security Coordinates in a Generative Computing Paradigm

Juan Andrés Guerrero-Saade

16:30 - 17:30

Zero Hour: 2030 Simulation

Dr. Lucas Kello, Oxford University
Chris Crumme, Sygnia

19:00 - 22:00

Gala Dinner: Banqueting House



THE SUMMIT AGENDA

Thursday, June 4th 2026

Personal Leadership

9:00 - 9:30

NATO's Critical Cyber Mission: Protecting a Billion People Online

Manfred Boudreaux-Dehmer, Inaugural
Chief Information Officer, NATO

9:30 - 10:30

Held to Ransomware: Lessons from the Blackouts

Oli Newbury, Halycon
Gary Hayslip, former Group CISO Softbank Investment
Advisers, Halycon
Ffion Flockhart, Partner, A&O Shearman
Kelly Butler, Managing Director, Head of Cyber UK, Marsh
Ashish Shrestha, Former CISO of Jaguar Land Rover

10:30 - 11:00

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Follow the Money: Funding the Frontier

Roland Cloutier, former CSO TikTok & ByteDance &
Executive Board, Cranium
Nazo Moosa, Paladin Capital
Grace Cassy, 1011
Liran Grinberg, Team8

12:00 - 13:00

Community Sessions

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Paul Stokes, Prevalent AI

15:00 - 15:45

From CISO to Chief Resilience Officer

Henry Widera, Egon Zehnder
Phil Venables, Ballistic Ventures

15:45 - 16:00

Summit Close

Rossa Shanks, ISTARI



Location



This year's COMPASS Summit will take place at the Royal United Services Institute (RUSI), in the heart of Whitehall — a historic and prestigious venue at the centre of government and policy.

We'll be occupying the entire building to create an immersive, community-driven environment where senior cyber and business leaders can connect, exchange ideas, and reflect on resilience.

The experience will extend beyond RUSI, with carefully curated settings designed to foster meaningful connection: we'll kick-off on June 2nd with welcome drinks at Café Ciel, within the newly opened Old War Office (OWO) Hotel, followed by a Gala Dinner at Banqueting House - a newly reopened historic venue, originally constructed for elaborate entertaining, and the only remaining part of Whitehall Palace.

Accommodation:

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ISTARI has secured a preferential hotel room rate at nearby hotels. Full details will be shared upon registration.

Date:

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June 3rd–4th, 2026

Address:

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Royal United Services Institute
61 Whitehall
London SW1A 2ET
UK



COLLECTIVE POWER



A community of interest and collective action



Founded on ISTARI's core philosophy of Collective Power, our COMPASS Summit convenes global experts, business leaders, policymakers, and practitioners across the cyber sector.

Our goal is to advance the cyber resilience agenda, making companies, entities, and individuals more secure. We believe the way to this is through sharing insights, developing thought leadership, and driving collective action.

Insights

Be the first to receive timely insights from thought-provoking conversations to proprietary research.

Connections

Develop valuable relationships with your global peers who can help challenge and strengthen perspectives and strategies.

Exposure

We shine a light on our members' wisdom, knowledge, and experience. We encourage dialogue.



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PREVIOUS EVENTS



COMPASS is now in its fifth year and we're thrilled to see how our global community has grown.

In today's world, cybersecurity has become mission-critical, and our network of experts is leading the charge as they transition into key business and leadership roles. Each year, COMPASS brings together top minds at the intersection of geopolitics, technology, and organisational strategy, creating a unique space for insightful discussions and forward-thinking solutions.





COMPASS SUMMIT 2025



The 2025 Summit centred on the theme “*Cyber Leadership in a New World,*” exploring what it means to lead in an era defined by geopolitical uncertainty, rapid advances in AI, and the growing influence of digital platforms. We examined the macro forces reshaping the cyber landscape and their implications for leadership, governance, and resilience. Day one focused on emerging global trends and strategic foresight, while day two turned inward — exploring how these shifts are redefining the skills, mindsets, and capabilities required of today’s CISOs. Bringing together policymakers, cyber executives, business leaders, academics, founders, and investors, the summit fostered rich debate, peer learning, and practical insight. The experience culminated in an unforgettable gala dinner at Kensington Palace, a fitting celebration of the collective spirit and global community.

Previous summits:



2024

In 2024 the business and cyber leadership agenda was dominated by the 42 major political elections happening around the world and AI becoming the number one strategic issue on the global policy agenda. Meeting under the theme of “*Resilience in an Age of Mistrust*” the community centred on the challenges and evolution of the senior cyber leader in an atmosphere of growing scepticism and mistrust.



2023

In 2023, “*Leadership in an Age of Uncertainty*” was the core theme and principle of our second global Summit. There was never a more pressing time for the community to meet - they explored the disruptions cyber resilience leaders faced - from global financial instability, inflation, rising interest rates, and the geopolitical uncertainty caused by Russia’s invasion of Ukraine..



2022

In 2022 ISTARI COMPASS Summit welcomed its first community of business and cyber leaders under the theme of “*Time for Collective Resilience*”. Leading government officials, senior investment, and multinational business executives were drawn together to discuss the issues and forces shaping cyber resilience — especially relating to globalisation and the march of frontier technologies like quantum computing, artificial intelligence, digital identity, and operational technology.

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Royal Lancaster University, UK

INDUSTRY LEADERS



Speakers



Ashish Shrestha

Former CISO, Jaguar Land Rover



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Author & Founder of 'Exponential View'



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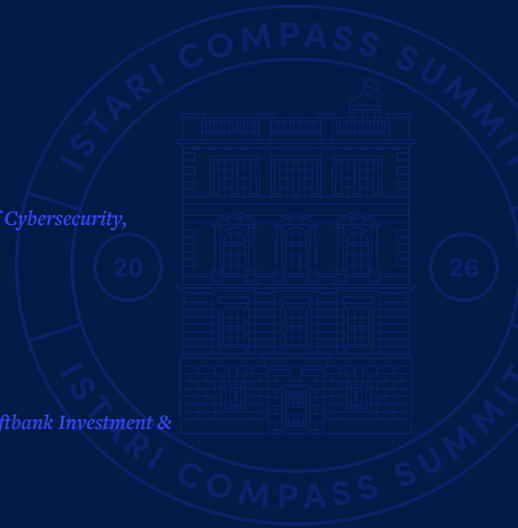
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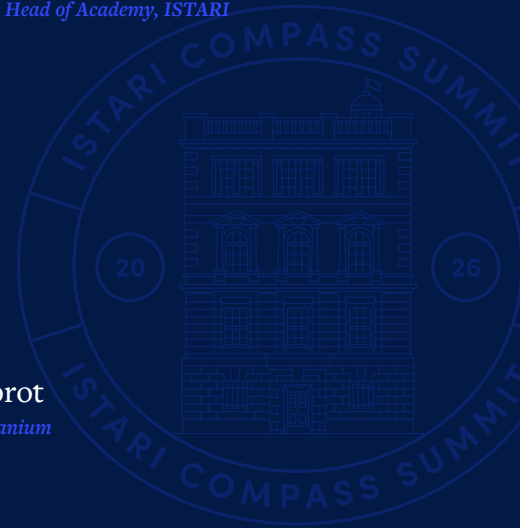
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SentinelOne*



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University of Oxford
Strategic Advisor, ISTARI*



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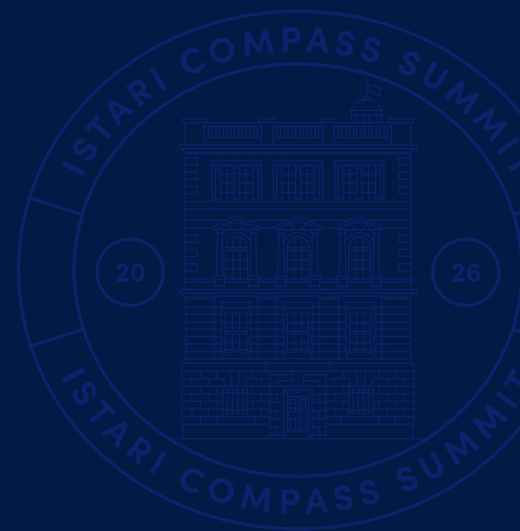
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A GLOBAL COMMUNITY



In good company



COMPASS is a meeting of minds and attracts top global companies, bringing together cyber leaders from the world's most influential organisations alongside business executives, policymakers, and investors.

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“Over the course of my career I’ve attended more cybersecurity events that I can count and this ranks with the best of them. The quality of both the presenters and the audience was impressive, and the intimate atmosphere made it all the more enjoyable.”

*Jeff Greene
Distinguished Fellow, The Aspen Institute,
and Former Executive Assistant Director
for Cybersecurity, CISA*

Connections and community



Nick Peppas
CISO, Helleniq

“Attending the COMPASS Summit was an immensely positive experience. The meticulously organised curriculum revealed that cybersecurity encompasses far more than just technical aspects. The highlight was undeniably the prestigious speakers invited. Renowned experts in the field, bringing a wealth of knowledge and real-world experience, they made complex concepts easy to understand. Also great for networking opportunities with experts from global organisations that can assist in knowledge sharing through my CISO journey. I highly recommend this program to anyone looking to start thinking out of the box with respect to what cyber resilience really is.”



Declan Burke
CISO, North Standard

“A wonderful event in terms of insights, learning and people. Thank you to ISTARI for these high quality engagements & all the work you do across the cyber leadership space.”



Naina Bhattacharya
CISO, Coats

“I was very impressed with the quality of the speakers and the agenda at Compass. Cybersecurity is no longer a technical topic but an interdisciplinary subject influenced by geopolitics, organised crime, and technological progress. If you want to be at the heart of it all, attend Compass!”



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2025

Room London, UK



Summit fee



\$ 1,600 USD / £ 1,200 GBP / \$ 2,000 SGD

Not inclusive of VAT/sales tax.

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- This includes all summit programming, our welcome drinks and Gala Dinner. It does not include hotel accommodation.
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- Payment can be made through an invoice or instantly via credit card.
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- ISTARI has secured a preferential hotel room rate at nearby hotels. Full details will be shared upon registration.

To register or learn more, please visit:

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