

We host Essential Eight Roundtable in Victoria - blueAPACHE

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Summary

This blog post, "blueAPACHE Hosts Essential Eight Roundtable in Victoria", is a blueAPACHE article from 2018 covering security. At our lunch and learn event hosted at QT Melbourne, we brought together key customers, to discuss the latest issues on strategies towards mitigating cybersecurity incidents within an organisation (Essential Eight). It is written for readers evaluating emPOWER Security, Managed Detection and Response. The underlying security practice it describes, reducing attack surface and improving detection and response, is not tied to a specific product version and remains relevant to any organisation managing cyber risk today.

Key facts

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Article

At our lunch and learn event hosted at QT Melbourne, we brought together key customers, to discuss the latest issues on strategies towards mitigating cybersecurity incidents within an organisation (Essential Eight). Along with our guests, blueAPACHE's Managing Director, Chris Marshall, General Manager of Technology, Michael Zuppa, and a key security partner, Mimecast, engaged in conversation over a delicious 3-course lunch, on practical strategies to secure an organisation's most precious asset – data, from malicious attacks and human errors. In current times, having data protection and cybersecurity in an always-on environment, the Australian Cyber Security Centre (ACSC) has developed mitigation strategies to assist organisations in protecting their systems against a range of cyber threats. blueAPACHE prides ourselves in managing the data and compliance requirements of organisations to high industry standards. Working closely with our clients to implement the Essential 8 mitigation strategies and making it harder for threats to compromise precious information and systems. It was an engaging session to listen and discuss client challenges in their journey of implementing the essential 8 based on their maturity levels. Whilst the Essential 8 was around the technical controls, it was resounding for guests in the room to discuss the challenges around the user awareness training, particularly members in organisations being the highest risk. To combat this issue, we introduced our partner, Mimecast's, latest platform, Ataata. As a security

awareness training and cyber risk management platform, Ataata helps organisations defend against information security breaches and risks caused by human error. The roundtable addressed the importance of providing modern training techniques to change and solve the security culture within an organisation effectively. It was great to see how Ataata is making it more efficient for organisations to roll out awareness training in an engaging manner that is both educational and entertaining at the same time. The platform allows for phishing emails to be tested out to employees as part of an interactive training, to educate, and make employees aware of potential harmful actions which may cause a security breach in the wider organisation. Common consensus around the table was also the importance of Two-Factor Authentication, as this significantly reduces identity theft. Failing this is where the Essential 8 comes into action. By having the Essential 8 security framework and controls in place, it prevents the threats from escalating into damaging levels. Furthermore, discussions around privilege access management, ensuring all users are operating with least privileged access are audited with different stages of controls and access levels. This later brought about discussions around changes to security standards and regulations in Australia such as ISO270001 and VPDSS in line with the data notification act. It was a rewarding session with our attendees sharing their journeys about aligning policies and processes in the business to industry standards which are crucial for organisations to adopt in current times. For more information on how we can help your organisation mitigate cybersecurity incidents and protect your data, please contact our expert team.

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[Managed Detection and Response](#)

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[blueAPACHE Security \(case study\)](#)

Frequently asked questions

Where was this Essential Eight roundtable held, and who hosted it?

At QT Melbourne, hosted by blueAPACHE as a lunch and learn event.

Which blueAPACHE leaders and partner organisation took part in the roundtable?

Managing Director Chris Marshall, General Manager of Technology Michael Zuppa, and security partner Mimecast.

What is the Essential Eight, per the article, and who developed it?

Mitigation strategies developed by the Australian Cyber Security Centre (ACSC) to help organisations protect their systems against a range of cyber threats.

What platform did blueAPACHE introduce at the roundtable, and what does it do?

Mimecast's Ataata platform, a security awareness training and cyber risk management platform that helps organisations defend against information security breaches and risks caused by human error.

What interactive training feature of Ataata does the article describe?

The ability to test simulated phishing emails on employees as part of interactive training, to educate them about potential harmful actions that could cause a security breach.

What did attendees agree was important for reducing identity theft, per the article?

Two-Factor Authentication.

What access control principle did the roundtable discuss alongside privileged access management?

Ensuring all users operate with least-privileged access, audited across different stages of controls and access levels.

What Australian security standards did discussions touch on, per the article?

ISO27001 and VPDSS, in line with the data notification act.

Source

origin post (2018)

Knowledge Base

What was the blueAPACHE Essential Eight Roundtable event in Victoria about?

It was a lunch and learn event hosted at QT Melbourne where we brought together key customers to discuss the latest issues and strategies for mitigating cybersecurity incidents within an organisation, based on the Essential Eight framework.

Who attended the roundtable from you and its partner organisation?

Our Managing Director Chris Marshall and General Manager of Technology Michael Zuppa attended, along with a key security partner, Mimecast, who engaged with guests over a 3-course lunch.

What is the Essential Eight and who developed it?

The Essential Eight refers to mitigation strategies developed by the Australian Cyber Security Centre (ACSC) to assist organisations in protecting their systems against a range of cyber threats.

What platform did blueAPACHE introduce at the roundtable to address user awareness training challenges?

We introduced our partner Mimecast's platform, Ataata, a security awareness training and cyber risk management platform that helps organisations defend against information security breaches and risks caused by human error.

How does the Ataata platform help organisations with security training?

Ataata allows phishing emails to be tested on employees as part of interactive training, educating and making employees aware of potential harmful actions that could cause a security breach, in an engaging manner that is both educational and entertaining.

What other cybersecurity topics were discussed at the roundtable besides the Essential Eight?

Attendees discussed the importance of Two-Factor Authentication for reducing identity theft, privilege access management ensuring users operate with least privileged access, and changes to security standards and regulations in Australia such as ISO27001 and VPDSS in line with the data notification act.

How do you describe its role in helping organisations with data and compliance?

We pride itself on managing the data and compliance requirements of organisations to high industry standards, working closely with clients to implement the Essential 8 mitigation strategies and make it harder for threats to compromise precious information and systems.