



SABSA Workshop A3-2

SABSA as a Problem Solving Framework for
Today's Hot Topics & Burning Issues

Task One – (Topical Focus Groups)

Business Context and Implications for Security Strategy and the SABSA Conceptual Approach

Your course facilitator will divide you into working groups focused on the burning issues and hot topics most relevant and valuable to you e.g. Cloud Computing, BYOD, Mobilisation, Identity & Access Management, etc.

For your chosen topic area, brainstorm the Business Context and its implications for Security Strategy (the SABSA Conceptual Layer models, strategies and frameworks for decision-making).

Guidance for Contextual layer:

	Assets (what)	Motivation (why)	Process (how)	People (who)	Location (where)	Time (when)
Contextual	Business Decisions	Business Risk	Business Processes	Business Governance	Business Geography	Business Time Dependence
	Taxonomy of Business Assets, Including Goals & Objectives	Opportunities & Threats Inventory	Inventory of Operational Processes	Organisational Structure & the Extended Enterprise	Inventory of Buildings, Sites, Territories, Jurisdictions etc.	Time Dependencies of Business Objectives

- What are we really trying to achieve at the Business level? What are the Business-level goals, targets, and objectives for the topic area, and what are the Business-level capabilities we are trying to establish or change?
- What are the opportunities and threats introduced to the Business by your chosen topic area?
- What Business processes are impacted, changed or introduced by your chosen topic area?
- Which Business stakeholders, governing or accountable parties are affected, changed or introduced?
- Does your topic area introduce, change or impact the Business Geography or Location (including channels and jurisdictions)?
- How does your topic area impact Business Time Dependencies such as performance issues, deadlines, time to market, etc.?

Guidance for Conceptual layer:

Conceptual	Business Knowledge & Risk Strategy	Risk Management Objectives	Strategies for Process Assurance	Roles & Responsibilities	Domain Framework	Time Management Framework
	Business Attributes Profile	Enablement & Control Objectives; Policy Architecture	Process Mapping Framework; Architectural Strategies for ICT	Owners, Custodians & Users; Service Providers & Customers	Security Domain Concepts & Framework	Through-life Risk Management Framework

- What are the Attributes critical to your topic area, introduced by it, or for which the existing performance criteria will change?
- What the control objectives for managing the risks and the enablement objectives for managing the opportunities in this context?
- What are the Architectural Strategies relevant to your topic area and the security and architecture processes introduced, changed or impacted?
- What will your topic area mean for security and risk governance e.g. risk owners and custodians?
- What are the security domains (logical and physical) relevant to your topic area?
- What implications does your topic area have for the overall through-life risk management framework and its six sub-frameworks?
 - Lifecycle
 - Operational continuity & service excellence
 - Performance measurement
 - Capability maturity
 - Through-life risk
 - Architectural vitality

Task Two – (Topical Focus Groups)

Team Presentations & Information Sharing

Each team will now present back to the others the results of its brainstorming and analysis so that all participants benefit from the exchange of ideas and issues between topic areas.