Welcome to: Managing Risk – Continuing Operations When the Unexpected (or Expected) Occurs

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- Promoting the credibility and professionalism of certified individuals

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## What are we facing?



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## What does 'bad' look like?

Bad – any event or threat that puts your assets at risk:

- Expected events
- Unexpected events





## Shocks to the system

# 2018 Trends and Predictions















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Information security inadequate investment







Serious supply chain disruption causing significant financial loss



Failure of critical national infrastructure in a major country



Extreme violence, random attacks



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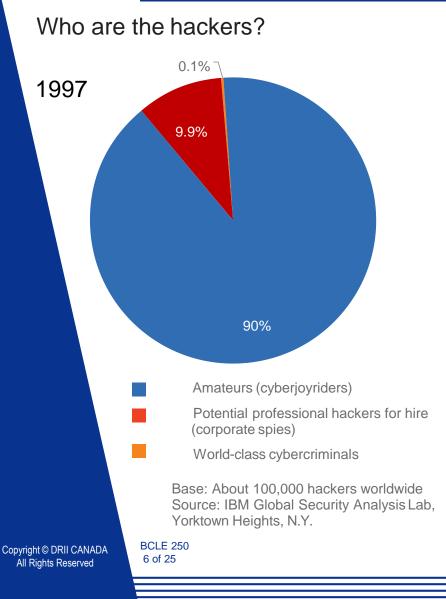
Terrorist attacks, coordinated and organized



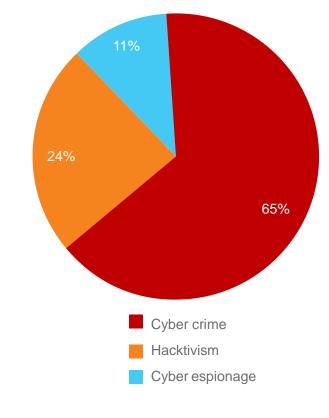
**Pandemic** which spreads quickly with extensive global fatalities

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# **The Changing Face of Hackers**



Motivations Behind Attacks June 2014



Source: Hackmageddon.com



The adaptive capacity of an organization in a complex and changing environment.

**DRI International Glossary for Resilience** 





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## What makes a system resilient?

- Adaptive, flexible, and responsive
- Distributed command structure
- Decision-making capability at various levels
- Emphasis on both internal and external preparation
- Intelligent use of data



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### What does resilience mean for organizations?

- Strong governance and board/senior level leadership
- Ability to cope with economic downturns and market disruptions
- Continuously reinforcing strengths
- Learning from mistakes and resolving weaknesses
- Safeguarding assets
- Identifying risk appetite and amending corporate strategy





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## **Strategy for resilience**

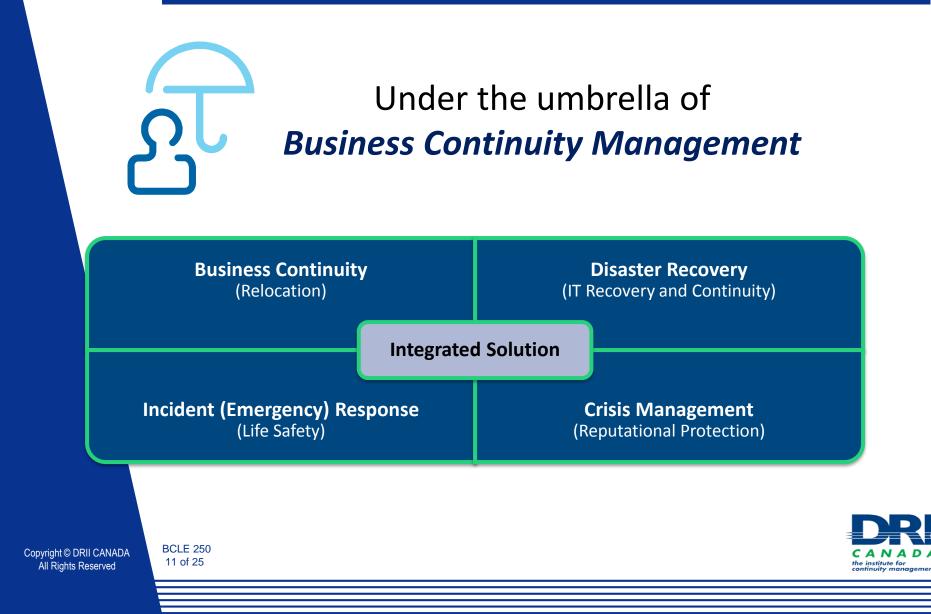
"Business continuity and the other resilience disciplines are becoming strategic issues in corporate thinking – although the practices adopted are still mainly tactical and operational. This gap must be addressed...."

- FVC Trends Report



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### **Continuity is key to building resilience**



## Why business continuity matters

- To safeguard human life
- To minimize confusion and enable effective decisions in a time of crisis
- To reduce dependency on specific personnel
- To minimize the loss of assets, revenue, and customers
- To ensure the survival of the organization
- To satisfy any legal or regulatory requirements
- To ensure that you are doing your due diligence
- To facilitate the timely recovery of critical business functions
- To maintain the public image and reputation of the organization



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## **Reasons for business continuity**

#### **External Drivers**

- Demands from customers/stakeholders
- Increased regulatory and self-regulated requirements
- Recent Loss and/or Business
  Interruption
- Pressure from audit committees
- Pressure from financial institutions
- Pandemic concern
- New threats and risks

#### Impacts

- Loss of customers or inability to attract new customers
- Regulatory sanctions
- Audit's recommendation
- Loss of revenue
- Loss of assets and employees
- · Decrease in stock value
- Increase of insurance premiums



Copyright © DRII CANADA All Rights Reserved BCLE 250 13 of 25 Business Continuity Management (BCM) is a management process that identifies risk, threats, and vulnerabilities that could impact continued operations. Business continuity provides a framework for building resilience and the capability for an effective response. \*

\* DRI Professional Practices



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### **Takeaways**

- Continually review legislation, standards, legal/regulatory requirements for your BCM program. Ensure compliance with applicable legislation/regulations (includes data storage and ownership)
- Align the BCM program with organization mission/goals and key drivers (customer, reputation, audit, etc.).
- Link BCM with RM
- Establish 'life cycle' approach for your program/plans i.e. regular reporting, succession planning
- Establish program metrics and reporting
- Continually assess new and emerging threats



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- Continually review 'business' processes i.e. JIT inventory
- Promote a culture of risk awareness
- Assess existing controls/safeguards adjust and implement new as required
- Identify core and support processes for your organization and dependencies – internal and external – map to supply chain
- Ensure strategies driven from risk assessment and impact analysis are still valid – assess potential risk(s) of new strategies



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- Conduct penetration testing
- Conduct horizon scanning
- Review/adjust asset location(s)
- Implement mitigation efforts
- Perform regular maintenance activities
- Implement enablers/policies
- Implement lessons identified (events/threats/exercises)



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- Establish supplier governance
- Validate and strengthen supply chain
- Conduct awareness & training for both internal and external stakeholders - communicate the "why" for the BCM program
- Establish Mutual Aid/Assistance agreements
- Establish/strengthen partnerships
- Integrate cyber into your BCM program (includes incident management and exercises)
- Map systems/applications to business processes



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- Practice, practice, practice internally and with partners/suppliers – add specifics to policy
- Establish and maintain relationships/processes with external agencies/organizations early in the process
- Include BCM as part of performance management/new employee orientation programs
- Manage social media/verify credibility of social media
- Continually improve your programs



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# Successful BCM/COOP Programs

- Not an Emergency Management (EM) function
- Coordinated with suppliers and vendors
- Senior management support/organization commitment
- Integrated with organizational mission and objectives
- Appropriate budget
- Retention, backups, and off-site storage program
- Fully documented and exercised regularly
- Risks managed
- Exposures prioritized
- Flexible and adaptable







## **Strengthen the chain**

- In conclusion:
  - Mitigation, prevention, and preparedness viewed as an investment (align the program with organizational mission/goals)
  - We all fit into a supply chain are these chains as strong as they can be?



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### Summary

- A Business Continuity Program:
  - Is NOT a project
  - Is NOT Insurance
  - Is NOT a one-time task
  - Is NOT for a fixed length of time
  - Is an on-going, living program that consists of several interdependent and reiterative projects.

An accurate, up-to-date, and executable business continuity /continuity of operations plan is essential for an organization to respond in a timely, coordinated fashion, and recover from a crisis or disaster in order to meet the established recovery requirements of the organization as well as stakeholder expectations.



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We can't predict the future and we can't control what will happen next.

What we can control is our preparation for it and our reaction to it.

### Q&A



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### **Thank You!**



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