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## **2022 IT Trends and Cybersecurity Challenges**

Join this panel discussion to hear from industry experts in the security, network, data center, and manufacturing/industrial control system areas. They will discuss the top IT trends and cybersecurity challenges prevalent in the world today and how to mitigate against the risks that these challenges present to your computing environment.

### **Biography**

**Jeffrey Baez** Before joining Splunk, Jeffrey served as the first CISO for New York State Dept of Financial Services and Board of Elections. During his tenure, he helped ratify a governance charter establishing the Secure Elections Center, led a series of Statewide tabletop exercises, and has spoken at numerous conferences. Jeffrey is now a Field CISO for Splunk where he advises public sector entities across the east coast on best practices for establishing and improving their cyber security programs.

**John Boehmler** is a tenured technical professional with certifications that include Fortinet NSE8 and Cisco CCIE amongst others. He has a proven record of evangelizing and applying technology to help companies of all sizes meet their business objectives. He is a trusted advisor, architect and instructor.



## Duncan Puller

**Duncan Puller** provides strategic direction for DāSTOR, focusing on upgrading tools and technology that enable simple, scalable products. He collaborates with thought leaders and develops innovative solutions for inclusion into DāSTOR's portfolio, to drive better customer outcomes. Prior to joining DāSTOR in 2021, Duncan held a variety of senior leadership roles within the data center, cloud, and network industries, designing and developing solutions that improved application performance and enabled customer success. He was VP of Cloud Strategy at Ciena, VP of Cloud Services at Sidera, Founder and COO at Nimbus Exchange, and VP of Solutions Engineering at SAVVIS / C&W. His foundational experience came at UUNET where he first learned about the importance of scalability.

Duncan holds a master's degree in Telecommunication from George Washington University and a bachelor's degree in Management Science from Virginia Tech.



## Dirk Sweigart

**Dirk Sweigart** currently works in cybersecurity consulting and business development at Applied Control Engineering, Inc. (ACE) in Newark, DE. He is responsible for the development and execution of manufacturing and information security projects for ACE. He has over thirty-five years of experience as an IT and systems project manager planning and leading control systems, manufacturing systems and business systems projects and teams for DuPont, Koch Industries, ACE and others.

Mr. Sweigart holds degrees in Mechanical Engineering and Computer Science from Penn State and has an MBA from the University of Delaware. He is a member of the MESA Cybersecurity Working Group, a senior member of International Society for Automation (ISA) and a member of the ISPE GAMP Special Interest Group for MES. He is a Certified

Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) and teaches Industrial Control Systems and Cybersecurity courses in the graduate program at Wilmington University. He is a blogger and published author on the topics of cybersecurity, industrial control systems and manufacturing execution systems.

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