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Anthony Dezilva is a 25-year veteran Solutions Architect. Combining his MBA in Global Management, work towards a JD, and work towards a PhD in Organizational Psychology, he brings a unique skillset effective in organizational and product development, 15 years of which he has focused on the cybersecurity space. Through use of human behavioral psychology, Anthony has demonstrated transformation in the field of Incident Response (IR) and incident orchestration. Using orchestration tools as a pathway, he has leveraged machine learning, developing new capabilities within threat intelligence to support the efforts of cyber first responders.

As a former sub-committee member of the governor's Arizona Cybersecurity Team (ACT), the Chief Architect of the Global Watch Center at Arizona Cybersecurity Threat Response Alliance (ACTRA), a CISSP & board member of (ISC)2 Phoenix Chapter; he actively participates in educating members, business leaders, political appointees, and educators, on the latest issues surrounding the protection of our human and information assets.

As a member of Phoenix Chamber of Commerce, Workforce Talent Development Initiative, he works closely with local educators in developing Cyber Security experts to meet the current and impending needs of this field. As a member of the Thunderbird Global Alumni Network leadership, he helps develop course material and raises awareness around issues of ethics in cyber and mental health of cyber professionals.

Anthony earned his BSc in Cyber Security from The University of Phoenix, an MBA from the Thunderbird School of Global Management, and is currently pursuing a PhD in Industrial and Organizational Psychology at Grand Canyon University.

"Change is a constant, in fact, we view flexibility and agility as a competitive advantage. Yet effective change requires leadership, engagement, strategic vision, and the ability to execute, among many other things. Most importantly, it requires someone stepping up, and committing to 'lead' that change, believing in it, and defending it against all conflict and criticism."

His greatest skill is the ability to combine his various expertise in information security, executive leadership, finance, and law; but more importantly, the human behavioral sciences and create an environment that empowers individual contributors to empower themselves, in areas they source for themselves.