

Cyber security Commission to advise the New Administration on IT security

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A cyber security commission, proposed by the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), will create a list of recommendations of top IT security priorities for the next U.S. president that takes office in January 2009, with the goal of setting an agenda and making recommendations to aid in the proliferation of cyber security.

The commission will be mixture of 25 cyber security experts from the public and private sectors. A private sector advisory group will provide validation to the findings of the committee.

Key topics that will be considered during the commission's period of discovery will include infrastructure protection, software assurance, agency cyber security, and IT security in the public and private sectors. Up to five plenary sessions will be held to discuss risks and existing policies that address them, sessions on federal organization, a discussion on existing authorities and whether new incentives, legislations, or regulation is needed, a concluding session to refine the committee's recommendations.

CSIS intends for the committee to finish its work by the end of 2008.