EXECUTIVE CYBERSECURITY ADVISORY PROFILE

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Strategic Security Leadership for Organizations Navigating Growth, Transformation & AI

Executive cybersecurity advisory for CEOs, founders, boards, and technology leaders who need senior security leadership, strategic direction, and security transformation without immediately building a full-time executive security function.

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ADVISORY FOCUS

Organizations are expected to grow, adopt AI, satisfy enterprise customers, and demonstrate cyber resilience — often before they have a mature security function. This advisory practice helps leadership teams make those decisions with clarity: what to secure first, how to govern risk, and how to turn cybersecurity into a business capability.

Engagements are designed for executives. The work translates technical exposure into board-ready insight, practical roadmaps, and governance that can scale.

WHO THIS ADVISORY SERVES

CEOs & Founders

Strategic security decisions and business risk.

Boards

Cyber risk, governance, and investment oversight.

CIOs / CTOs

Technology-risk alignment and transformation.

Security Leaders

Program modernization and executive alignment.

Growth-Stage Organizations

Fractional leadership and security foundations.

AI-Enabled Enterprises

Trust, accountability, and AI security governance.

SIX ADVISORY SERVICES

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Fractional CISO

For CEOs, founders, CTOs and organizations that need senior security leadership without committing to a full-time CISO.

- Security strategy and roadmap
- Executive reporting
- Governance and risk management
- Program development and security leadership

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Executive & Board Cyber Advisory

For CEOs, boards, founders, CIOs and CTOs.

- Cyber-risk reporting and board briefings
- Executive decision support
- AI governance
- Security investment strategy and workshops

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Security Transformation

For organizations whose security function needs modernization.

- Security maturity assessment
- Operating model and Zero Trust roadmap
- DevSecOps enablement and SOC modernization
- Metrics that matter and governance transformation

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AI Security & Governance

Signature advisory area — informed by ongoing Ph.D. research in Secure AI, AI governance, and national security.

- AI risk frameworks and model governance
- Responsible AI and data protection
- Executive AI oversight
- AI security strategy

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Growth & Scale Advisory

For startups and growth-stage organizations that need to establish security credibility, meet enterprise customer expectations, and build a scalable security foundation without immediately hiring a full-time CISO.

- Security baseline and customer readiness
- Policies, governance, and risk assessment
- ISO / NIST readiness and third-party risk
- Secure product development and security roadmap

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Cyber Risk Assessment

For leadership teams that need a clear view of exposure, priority, and next decisions.

- Enterprise cyber-risk assessment
- Control-gap analysis against ISO, NIST, and PCI
- Board-ready risk reporting
- Prioritized remediation roadmap

ENGAGEMENT MODELS

Strategic Advisory

Short-term executive guidance.

Fractional Leadership

Ongoing cybersecurity leadership.

Transformation Program

Defined strategic transformation engagement.

Executive Workshop

Focused board or executive session.

Executive Cybersecurity Assessment

Focused assessment of organizational cyber risk, maturity, governance, and security priorities, resulting in an executive-level findings report and prioritized roadmap.

SELECTED OUTCOMES

14+	100+	25+	ISO · NIST · PCI
Years of delivery	Application Security engagements	Teams supported & led	Framework-aligned security programs

HOW ADVISORY WORK IS DIFFERENT

This profile outlines how organizations can engage Dr. Leela Lella for executive cybersecurity advisory, fractional security leadership, and strategic security transformation. It is not a curriculum vitae. Career history, education, publications, and credentials are documented separately in the Executive Profile.

Advisory work is informed by 14+ years of enterprise cybersecurity leadership across banking, consulting, technology and retail — and by original research on executive trust, AI governance, and security transformation, including Executive Trust Architecture™ (ETA), currently under review with ISACA.

EXECUTIVE QUESTIONS WE ADDRESS

- Where should cybersecurity investment be prioritized?
- Is the current security operating model adequate for growth?
- What should the board know about our cyber risk?
- Are our AI initiatives governed appropriately?
- What security capabilities should be built internally versus externally?
- Are we ready for enterprise customer security expectations?

START A CONVERSATION

Discuss a cybersecurity leadership, advisory, transformation, AI governance, or fractional CISO requirement.

Need senior cybersecurity leadership without immediately building a full-time executive function?

Let's discuss your security priorities, transformation roadmap, AI governance requirements, or cyber-risk challenges.

Request an Executive Consultation

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