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Ron Herardian is a cybersecurity and governance, risk and compliance (GRC) industry leader who has worked for the past 20+ years in the software industry in Silicon Valley in the areas of enterprise software, mobile and web applications, and Software as a Service (SaaS). He has served in multiple engineering, management, and consulting roles at leading software companies, and has been a founder, investor, board member, and advisor for several software startups.

Herardian currently serves as Senior Director of Technology for Cloud and Cybersecurity at [Altran](#), the world leader in engineering and R&D services, part of the [Capgemini](#) Group. He previously worked for IBM, Cisco, and Oracle, where he served as Chief Architect for the Collaboration Cloud SaaS offering, as well as for well-

known startups, such as Proofpoint, a \$6 billion company. Herardian co-founded a cybersecurity software startup that developed a blockchain-based secure code execution proxy replacing legacy bastion hosts and jump boxes using intelligent, attribute-based policy enforcement. Prior to that, he was responsible for cloud infrastructure, operations, and cybersecurity for a financial technology startup. He was hired by the company's founders as head of infrastructure, operations, and cybersecurity, where he acted as the company's Chief Security Officer (CSO).

Herardian, who holds a current Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) certification, is a graduate of Stanford University, a senior member of the Institute for Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE), and a senior member of the Association of Computing Machinery (ACM). He is a speaker at conferences and events in Silicon Valley, as well as a published author who has coauthored a book and written many whitepapers and articles, including articles published in peer-reviewed journals such as *IEEE Security & Privacy*.