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Zero Trust Maturity Model (ZTMM)

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Acronyms, POCs, and References

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Sean Connelly's Background

- 10 years at CISA (and former CS&C)
- 15 years supporting and/or leading TIC PMO
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- Co-author of NIST Special Pub 800-207 Zero Trust Architecture
- TMF Board Member (alternate)
- ~20 years in the federal domain



Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)

VISION

Secure and resilient
infrastructure for the
American people.

MISSION

CISA partners with industry and
government to understand and
manage risk to our Nation's
critical infrastructure.



OVERALL GOALS

GOAL 1

DEFEND TODAY

Defend against urgent
threats and hazards

seconds | days | weeks

GOAL 2

SECURE TOMORROW

Strengthen critical
infrastructure and
address long-term risks

months | years | decades





CYBERSECURITY &
INFRASTRUCTURE
SECURITY AGENCY

Cybersecurity Division

The Cybersecurity Division
(CSD) assures the security,
resilience, and reliability of
the nation's cyber systems.



MISSION PRIORITIES:



Cyber Defense Operations - CISA detects and prevents cybersecurity risks where possible through information sharing and deployment of detective and preventative technologies and by providing incident response and “hunt” capabilities to minimize impacts of identified incidents.



Federal Networks Governance and Capacity Building - To raise the federal cybersecurity baseline, CISA provides tools, services, expert guidance, and cybersecurity directives to drive cybersecurity risk management within agency defined risk tolerance and CISA's continuous analysis of cyber risks across the Federal enterprise.



Critical Infrastructure/SLTT Governance and Capability Building - CISA provides non-federal entities with cybersecurity information, assessments, and incident response assistance to enable more comprehensive cybersecurity risk management of the critical functions that underpin our national security, public health and safety, and economic security. Support and enable non-federal entities to better manage risk at an acceptable level commensurate with their own defined risk tolerance and national risks of national security, public health and safety, and economic security.



Long-term Cybersecurity - CISA drives national efforts to create a more secure cyber ecosystem through collaboration with the private sector, academia, and government partners to build a diverse cyber workforce, foster development and use of secure technologies, and promote cybersecurity best practices across all organizations.

Related Efforts

To address gaps, CISA has produced strategic, technical, and operational documents.



- [Federal Zero Trust Strategy](#): Serves as the official zero trust strategy for the federal government with the goal of accelerating agencies towards a shared baseline
- [Zero Trust Maturity Model](#): Supports Federal Civilian Executive Branch (FCEB) in designing zero trust architecture (ZTA).
- [Cloud Security Technical Reference Architecture](#) (CSTRA): Illustrates recommended approaches to cloud migration and data protection for agency data collection and reporting.
- [Trusted Internet Connections](#) (TIC) Document Set: Defines the concepts of the program (Trust Zones, PEPs, MGMT) to guide and constrain the diverse implementations of the security capabilities.
- [NCPS Cloud Interface Reference Architecture](#) (NCIRA): Accommodates collection of agency data from cloud environments.
- [Secure Cloud Business Applications](#) (SCuBA): Highlights development of methods for ingesting and processing multiple types of cloud-based threat information.
- [Extensible Visibility Reference Framework](#) (eVRF): Expands coverage for CISA CSD visibility requirements and provides measures for coverage of CSD visibility.



Federal Zero Trust Efforts

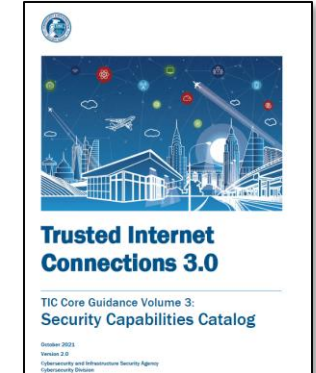
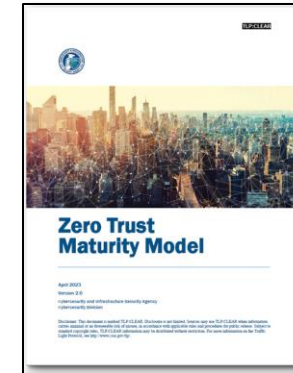
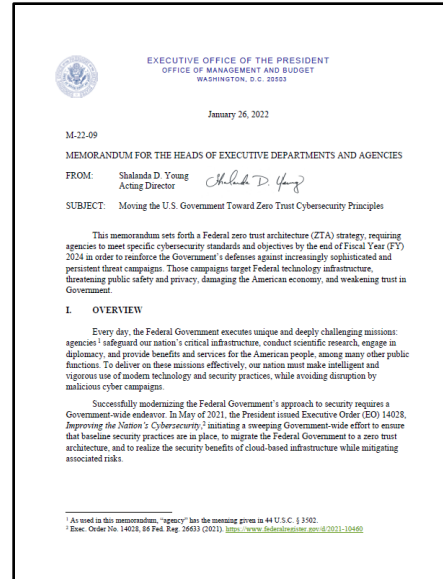
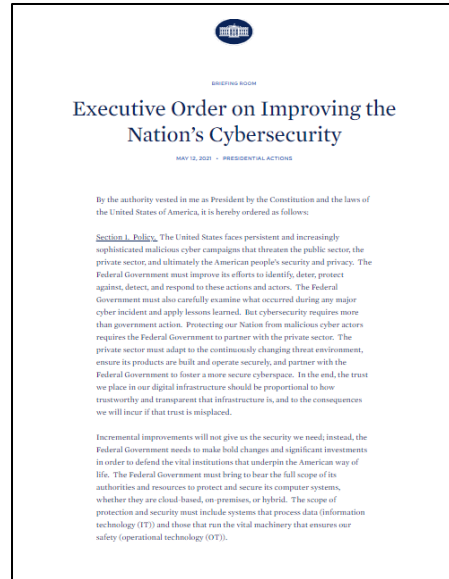
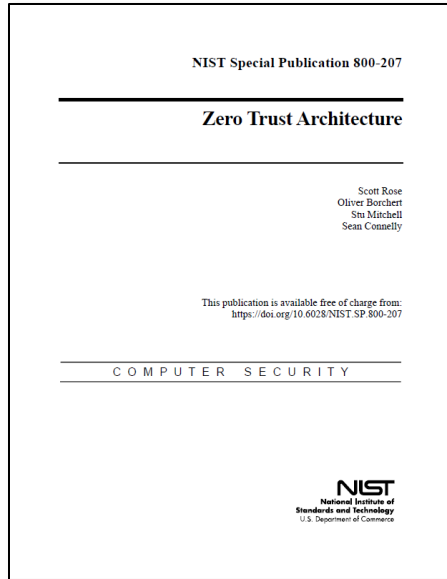


As the Federal Government continues to expand past the traditional network perimeter, it is paramount that agencies implement data protection measures around zero trust.

There are several other zero trust guidance documents that have been produced across the Federal Government.



FCEB Zero Trust Landscape



The Principles

[NIST SP 800-207](#)
[Zero Trust Architecture](#)

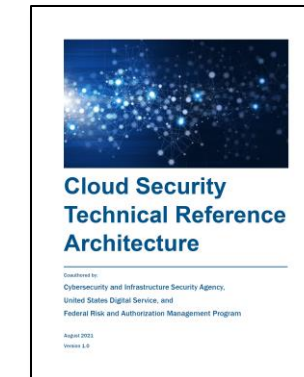
The Imperative

[EO 14028](#)
[Improving the Nation's Cybersecurity](#)

The Strategy

[OMB M-22-09](#)
[Zero Trust Strategy](#)

The Operational Guidance



[Federal Cloud Security TRA](#)

[NSTAC Report](#)



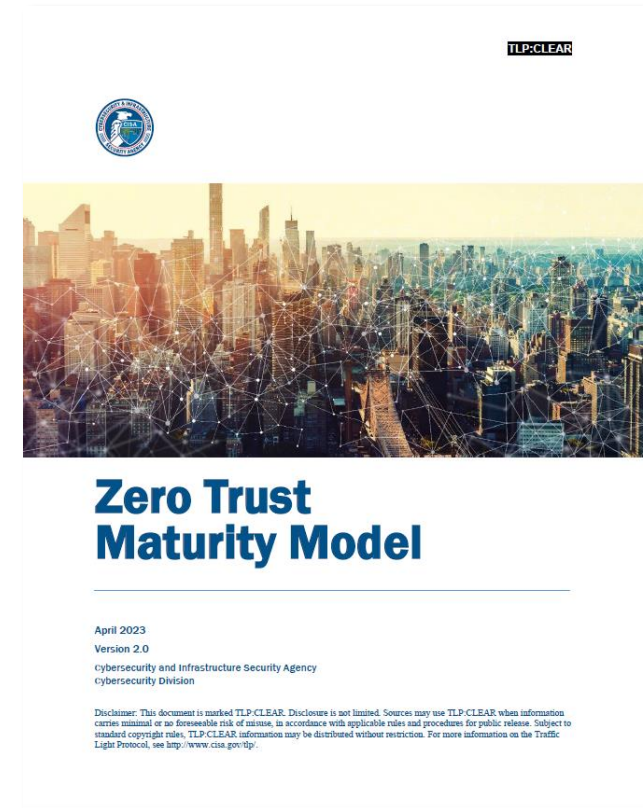
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Zero Trust Maturity Model



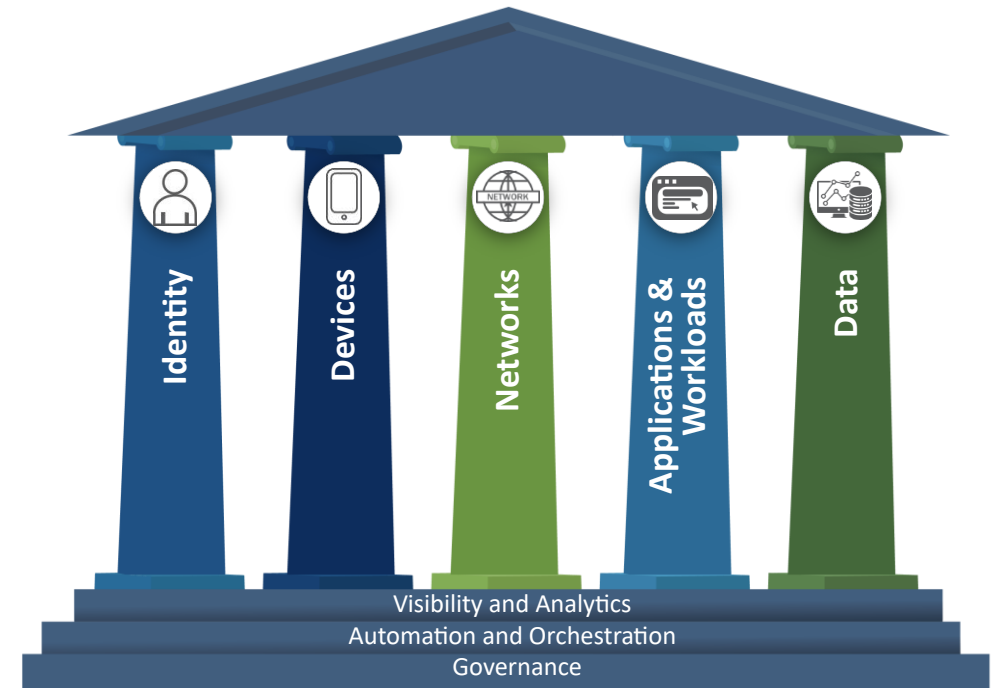
CISA's Zero Trust Maturity Model

- This Zero Trust Maturity Model (ZTMM) is one of many paths to support agencies
- Version 2.0 was released in April 2023
- Intent: Help agencies as they develop plans to implement Zero Trust Architectures (ZTA) in response to EO14028 Sec 3,b,ii (May 2021)
- OMB's M-22-09 (January 2022) requires agencies to achieve specific zero trust security goals that are organized using the ZTMM



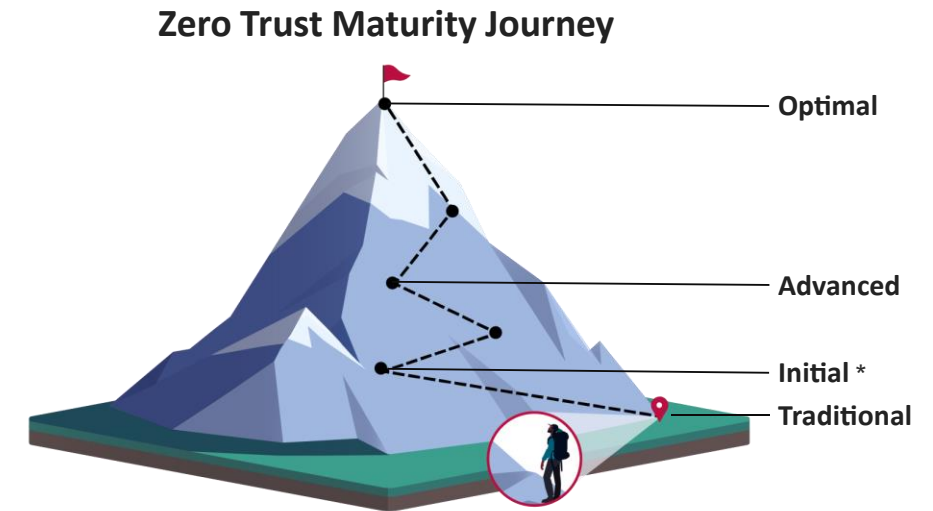
Zero Trust Maturity Model Overview

- The ZTMM represents a gradient of implementation across five distinct pillars and three cross-cutting capabilities
 - Functional areas where zero trust principles must be implemented in order to create a secure ZTA
 - Cross-cutting capabilities must be satisfied for each pillar
- Heavily influenced by NIST, DOD, GSA, and NSA's zero trust publications
- This is a general model and is intended to provide direction for Agencies



Zero Trust Maturity Journey

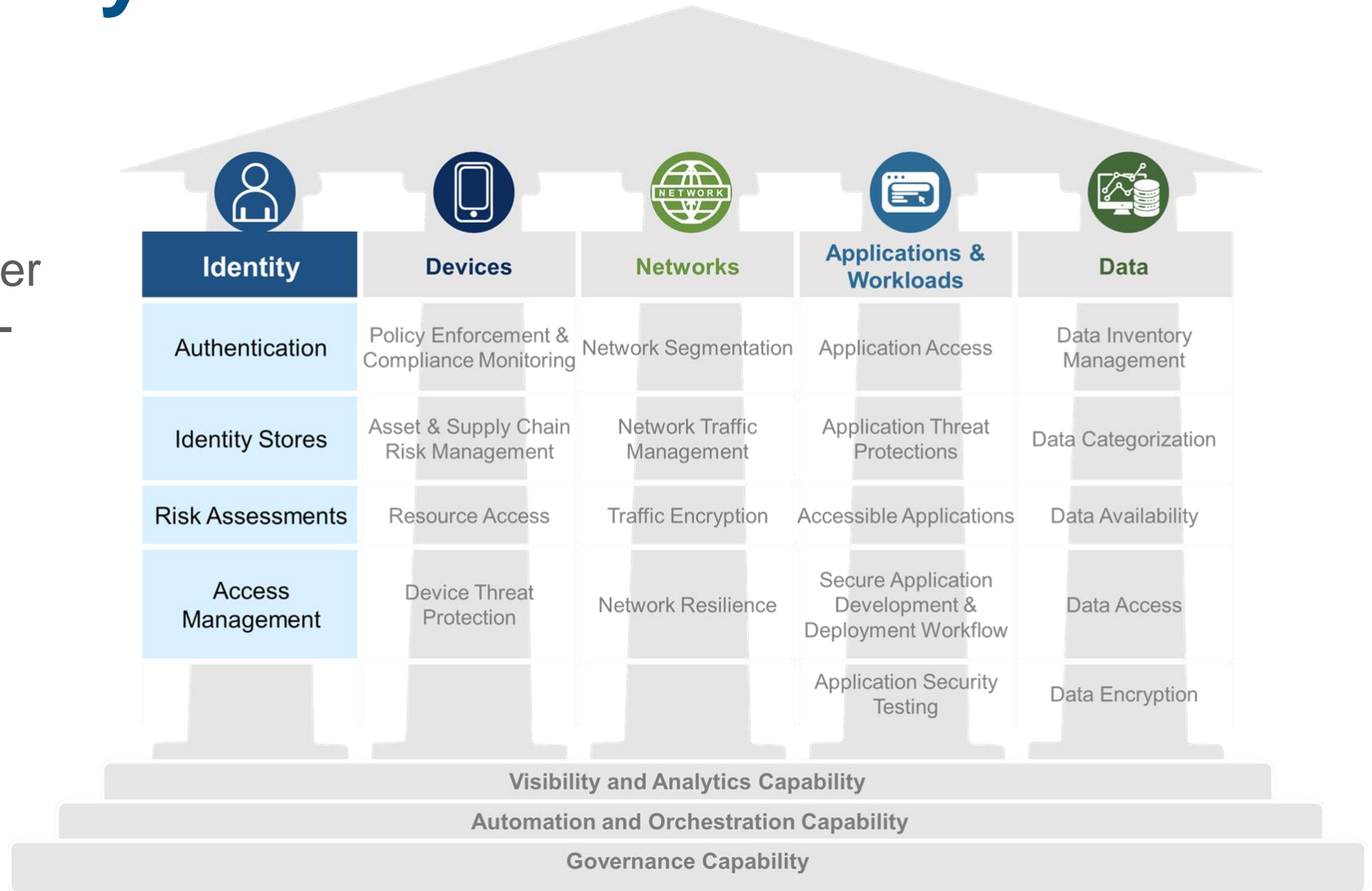
- Each stage on the Zero Trust Maturity Journey requires greater levels of protection, detail, and complexity for adoption, with exponential growth in efforts and benefits.
 - **Traditional:** Manual configuration, response, and mitigation; static and siloed policies and solutions
 - **Initial*:** Starting automation; initial cross-pillar solutions; some responsive changes to least privilege; aggregated visibility for internal systems
 - **Advanced:** Automated controls where applicable; cross-pillar policy enforcement; least-privilege changes based on risk/posture; response to pre-defined mitigations
 - **Optimal:** Fully automated, just-in-time, self-reporting; dynamic least privilege access; cross-pillar interoperability with continuous monitoring, centralized visibility



*New with ZTMM V2

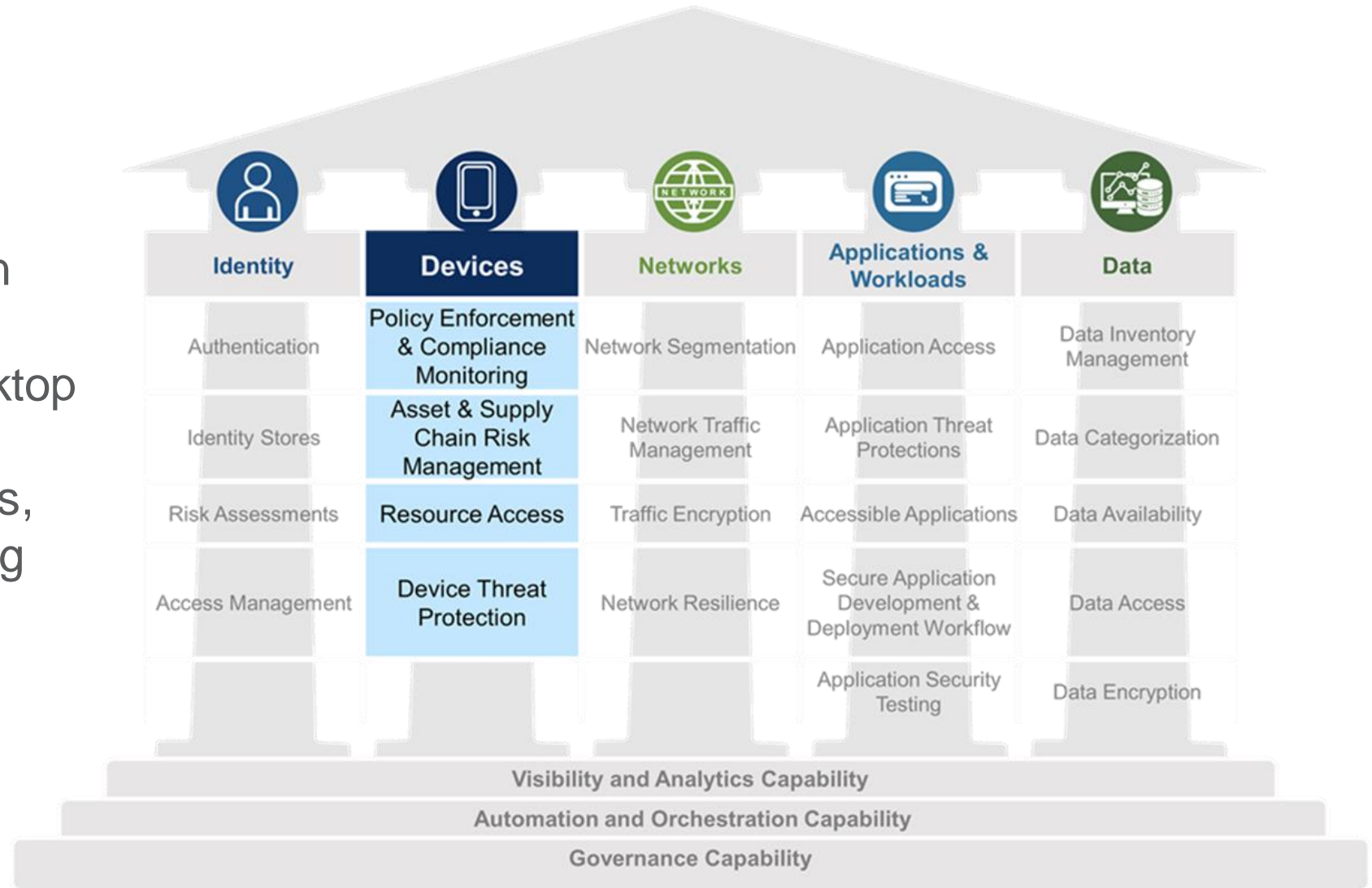
Pillar 1: Identity

- An identity refers to an attribute or set of attributes that uniquely describe an agency user or entity, including non-person entities.



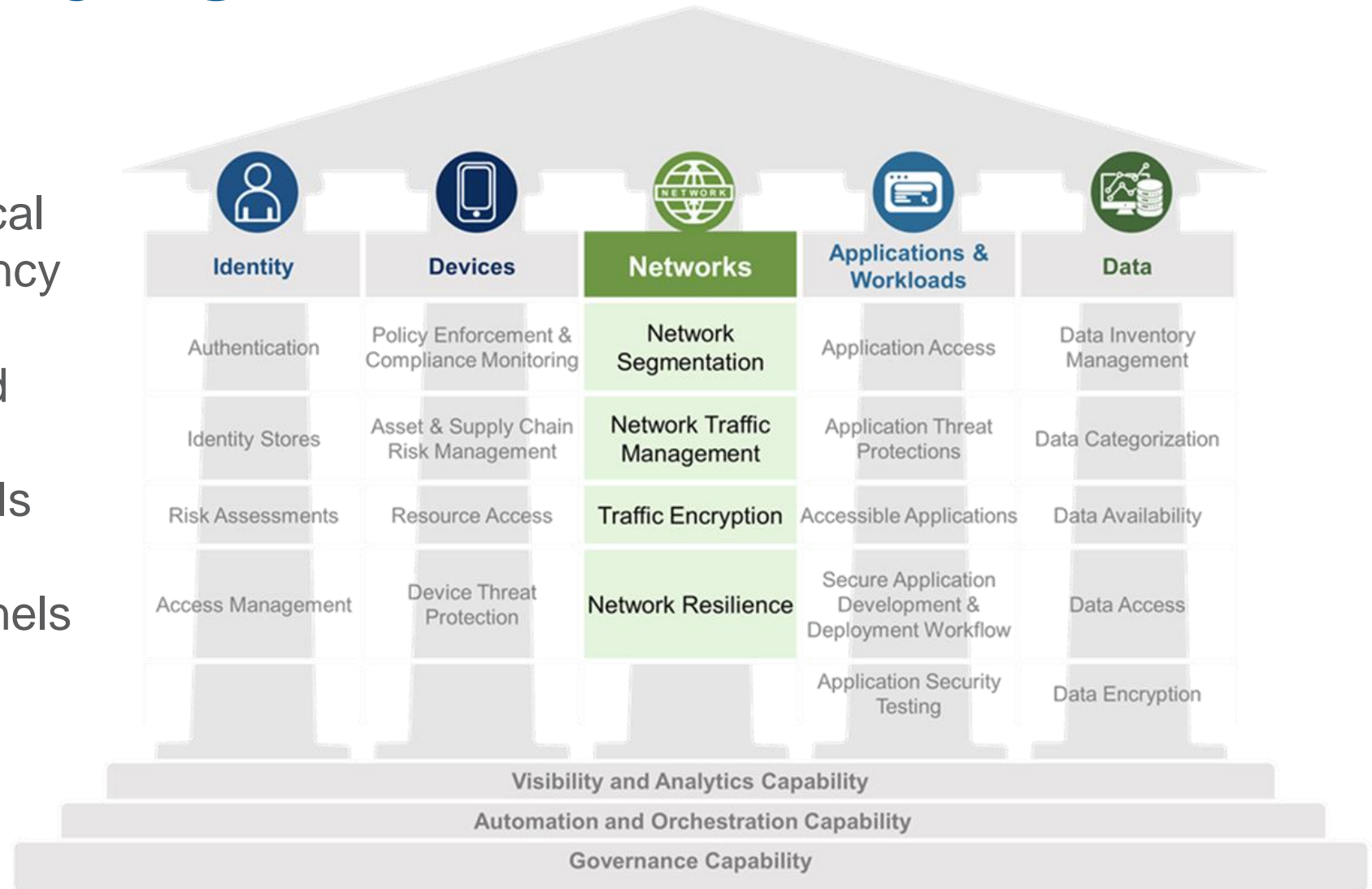
Pillar 2: Devices

- A device refers to any asset (including its hardware, software, firmware, etc.) that can connect to a network, including servers, desktop and laptop machines, printers, mobile phones, IoT devices, networking equipment, and more.



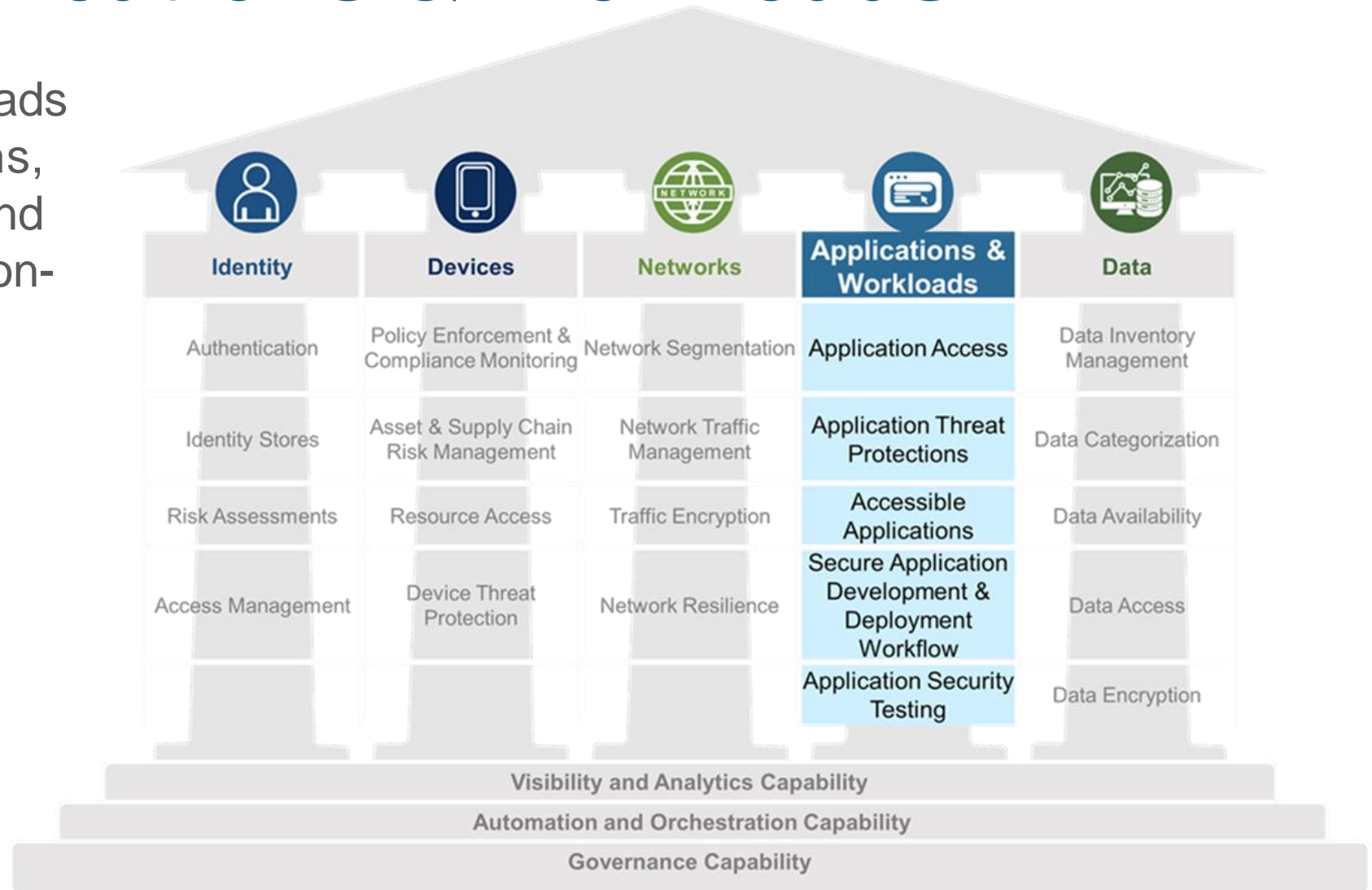
Pillar 3: Networks

- A network refers to an open communications medium including typical channels such as agency internal networks, wireless networks, and the Internet as well as other potential channels such as cellular and application-level channels used to transport messages.



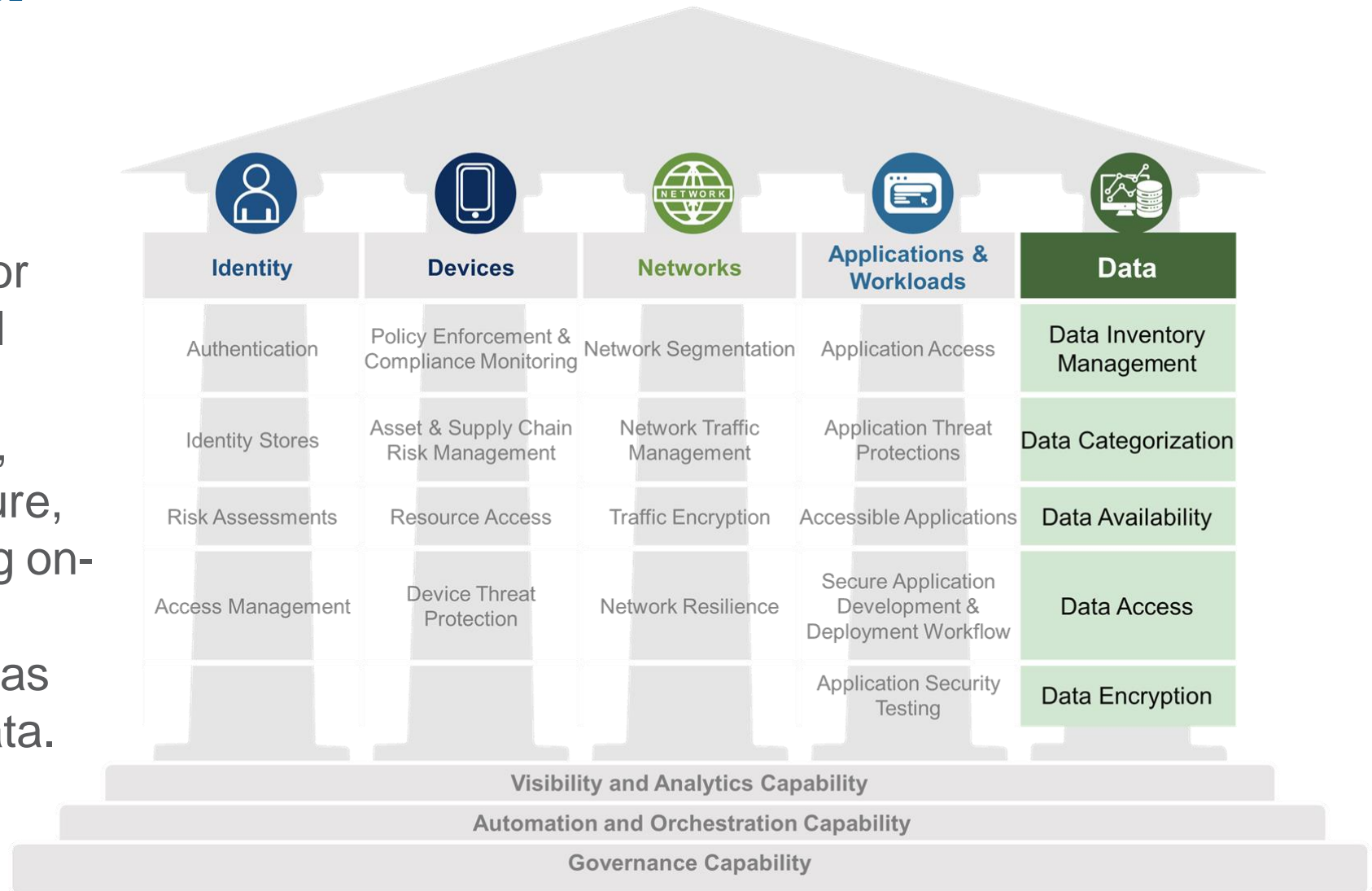
Pillar 4: Applications & Workloads

- Applications & Workloads include agency systems, computer programs, and services that execute on-premise, on mobile devices, and in cloud environments.



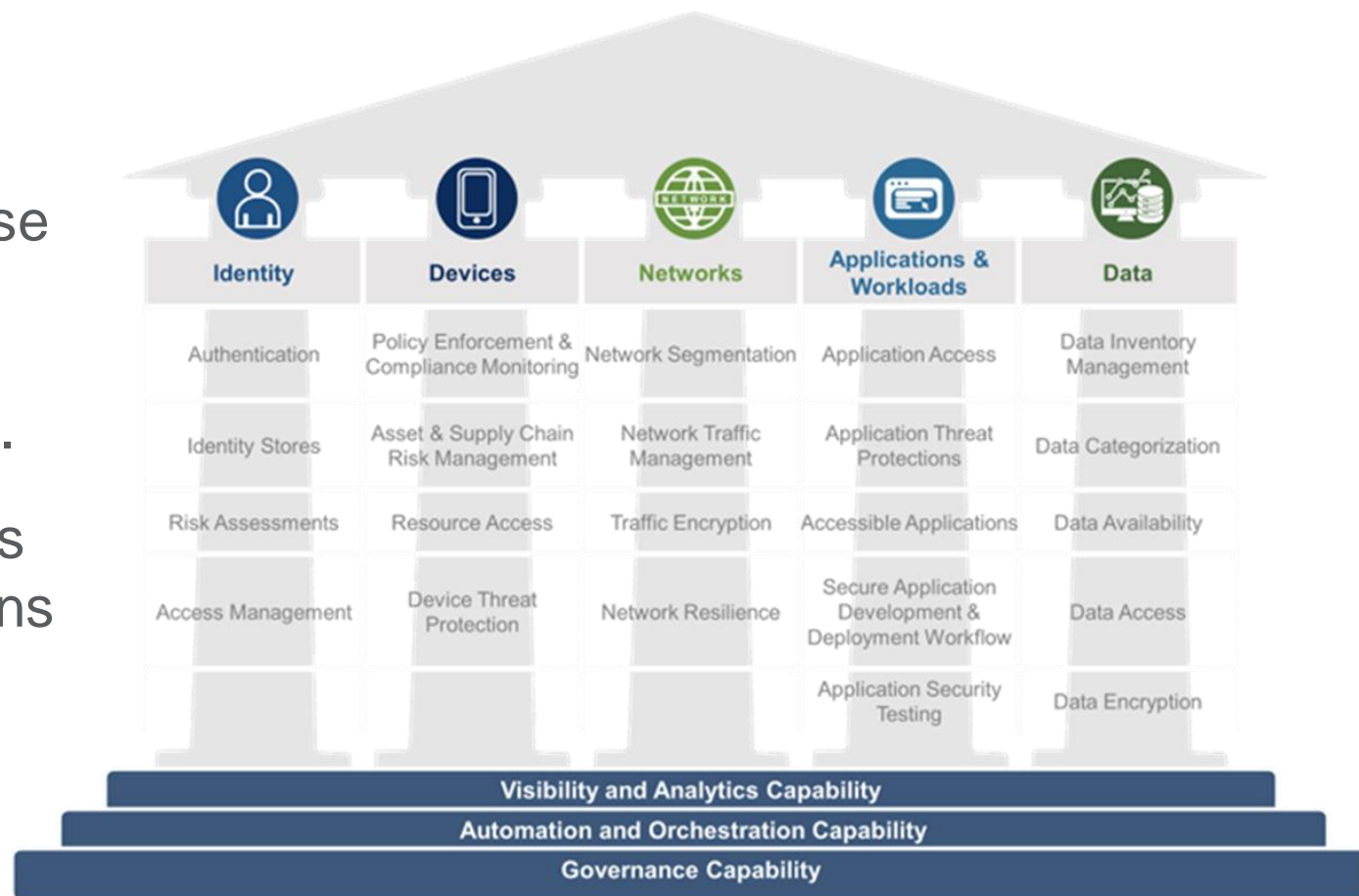
Pillar 5: Data

- Data includes all structured and unstructured files and fragments that reside or have resided in federal systems, devices, networks, applications, databases, infrastructure, and backups (including on-premises and virtual environments) as well as the associated metadata.








Cross-Cutting Capabilities

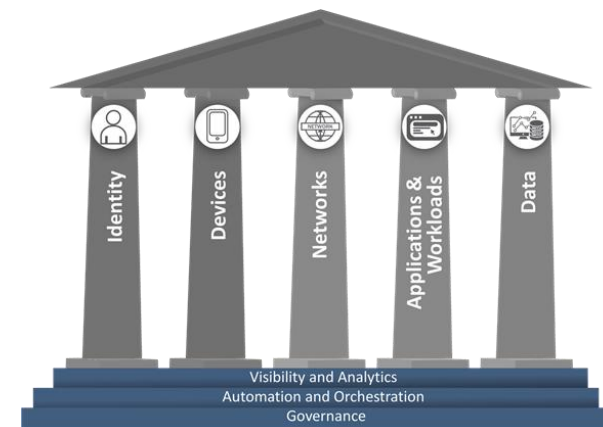
- These cross-cutting capabilities provide opportunities to integrate advancements across each of the five pillars. As agencies mature these capabilities with respect to a given pillar, they can also mature each capability independent of the pillars.
- These capabilities highlight activities to support interoperability of functions across pillars. As agencies mature these capabilities within each pillar, they can mature each capability independent of pillars as well.



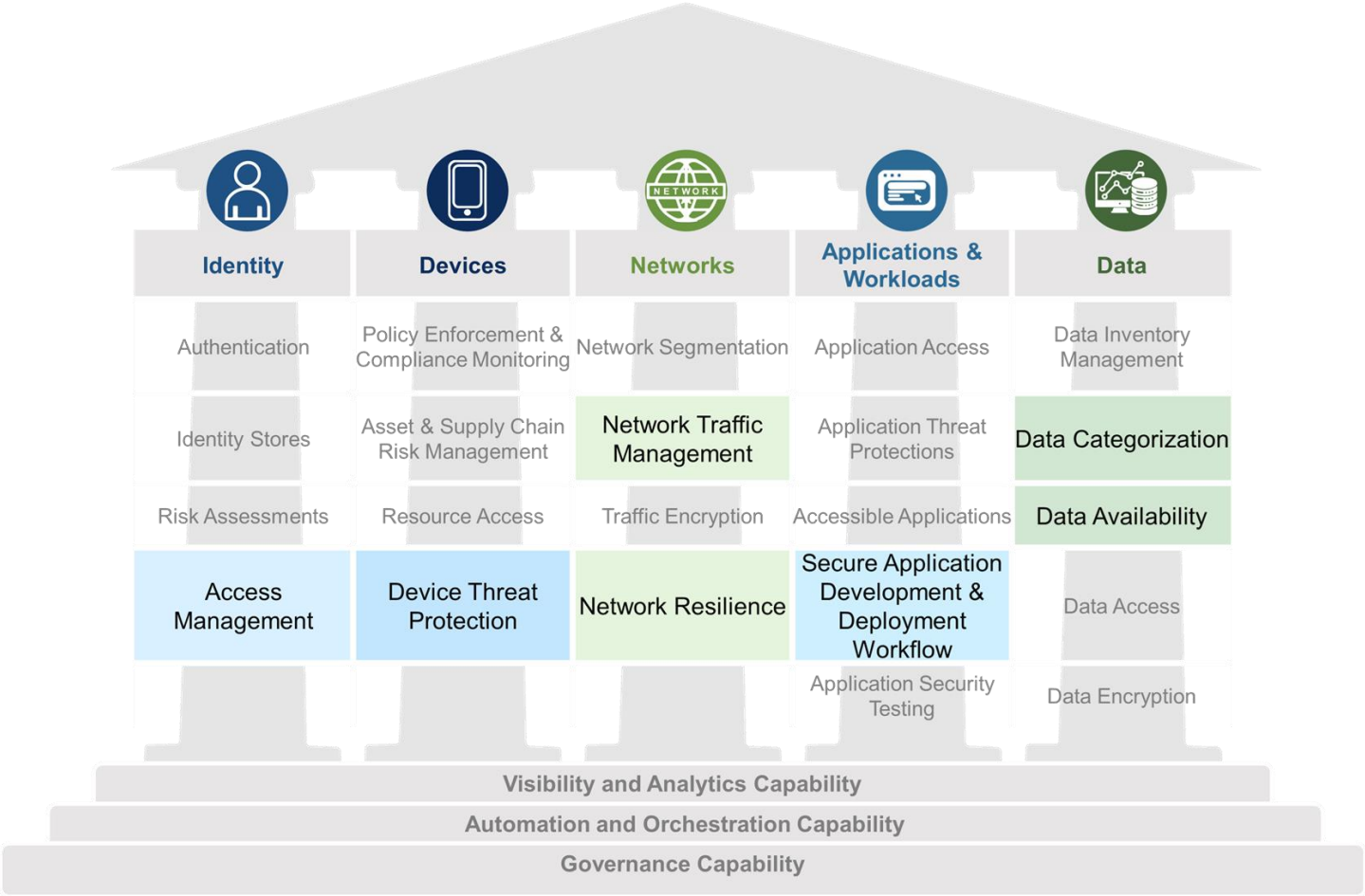
Cross-Cutting Capabilities are Matrixed

- The three capabilities are woven into each of the pillars.
- Each capability also has distinct maturity levels.

	Identity	Devices	Networks	Applications and Workloads	Data
Maturity Level	 • Continuous validation and risk analysis • Enterprise-wide identity integration • Tailored, as-needed automated access	 • Continuous physical and virtual asset analysis including automated supply chain risk management and integrated threat protections • Resource access depends on real-time device risk analytics	 • Distributed micro-perimeters with just-in-time and just-enough access controls and proportionate resilience • Configurations evolve to meet application profile needs • Integrates best practices for cryptographic agility	 • Applications available over public networks with continuously authorized access • Protections against sophisticated attacks in all workflows • Immutable workloads with security testing integrated throughout lifecycle	 • Continuous data inventorying • Automated data categorization and labeling enterprise-wide • Optimized data availability • DLP exfil blocking • Dynamic access controls • Encrypts data in use
	Visibility and Analytics		Automation and Orchestration		Governance
	• Phishing-resistant MFA • Consolidation and secure integration of identity stores • Automated identity risk assessments • Need/session-based access	• Most physical and virtual assets are tracked • Enforced compliance implemented with integrated threat protections • Initial resource access depends on device posture	• Expanded isolation and resilience mechanisms • Configurations adapt based on automated risk-aware application profile assessments • Encrypts applicable network traffic and manages issuance and rotation of keys	• Most mission critical applications available over public networks to authorized users • Protections integrated in all application workflows with context-based access controls • Coordinated teams for development, security, and operations	• Automated data inventory with tracking • Consistent, tiered, targeted categorization and labeling • Redundant, highly available data stores • Static DLP • Automated context-based access • Encrypts data at rest
	Visibility and Analytics		Automation and Orchestration		Governance
Initial	• MFA with passwords • Self-managed and hosted identity stores • Manual identity risk assessments • Access expires with automated review	• All physical assets tracked • Limited device-based access control and compliance enforcement • Some protections delivered via automation	• Initial isolation of critical workloads • Network capabilities manage availability demands for more applications • Dynamic configurations for some portions of the network • Encrypt more traffic and formalize key management policies	• Some mission critical workflows have integrated protections and are accessible over public networks to authorized users • Formal code deployment mechanisms through CI/CD pipelines • Static and dynamic security testing prior to deployment	• Limited automation to inventory data and control access • Begin to implement a strategy for data categorization • Some highly available data stores • Encrypts data in transit • Initial centralized key management policies
Traditional	Visibility and Analytics		Automation and Orchestration		Governance
	• Passwords or MFA • On-premises identity stores • Limited identity risk assessments • Permanent access with periodic review	• Manually tracking device inventory • Limited compliance visibility • No device criteria for resource access • Manual deployment of threat protections to some devices	• Large perimeter/macro-segmentation • Limited resilience and manually managed rulesets and configurations • Minimal traffic encryption with ad hoc key management	• Mission critical applications accessible via private networks • Protections have minimal workflow integration • Ad hoc development, testing, and production environments	• Manually inventory and categorize data • On-prem data stores • Static access controls • Minimal encryption of data at rest and in transit with ad hoc key management



ZTMM V2 New Functions



Acronyms

- Continuous Diagnostics and Mitigation (CDM)
- Cybersecurity Division (CSD)
- Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)
- Cybersecurity Technical reference Architecture (CSTRA)
- Department of Defense (DoD)
- Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
- Executive Order (EO)
- Extensible Visibility Reference Framework (eVRF)
- Federal Civilian Executive Branch (FCEB)
- General Services Administration (GSA)
- Internet of Things (IoT)
- National Cyber Protection System (NCPS)
- NCPS Cloud Interface Reference Architecture (NCIRA)
- National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)
- National Security Agency (NSA)
- National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee (NSTAC)
- Office of Management and Budget (OMB)
- Office of the Technical Director (OTD)
- Policy Enforcement Point (PEP)
- Program Management Office (PMO)
- Secure Cloud Business Applications (SCuBA)
- Special Publication (SP)
- The Technology Modernization Fund (TMF)
- Trusted Internet Connections (TIC)
- Zero Trust (ZT)
- Zero Trust Architecture (ZTA)
- Zero Trust Maturity Model (ZTMM)





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