

# Implementing a Zero Trust Architecture (ZTA) for Highly Regulated Domains

Quickly and securely connect workers to their environments and resources

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### **Presentation Overview**

- ➤ Defining NIST SP-800-207, M-22-09, M-21-31
- > Evolution of ZTA and the need to reduce complexity
- > Real World ZTA Cyolo's approach to ZTA and Identity-Based Connectivity
- ➤ Implementing Cyolo for ZTA and Identity-Based Connectivity
  - ➤ Identity Modernization
  - ➤ Identity Federation
  - ➤ User Experience Architecture Overview
- > Accomplishing ZTA Goals (per NIST SP 800-207, M-22-09 and M-21-31)



### NIST 800-207 – The "Official" ZTA Standard

- > All data sources and computing services are considered resources
- > All communication is secured regardless of network location
- > Access to individual computational resources is granted on a per-session basis
- > Access to resources is determined by dynamic policy and may include other attributes
- ➤ The organization monitors and measures the integrity and security posture of all owned and associated assets
- ➤ All resource authentication and authorization are dynamic and strictly enforced before access is allowed
- ➤ The organization collects as much information as possible about the current state of assets, network infrastructure, and communications and uses it to improve its security posture



### Memorandum M-22-09 / EO 14028

#### Moving the U.S. Government Toward Zero Trust Cybersecurity Principles

- Federal staff have enterprise-managed accounts, allowing them to access **everything** they need to do their job while remaining reliably protected from even targeted, sophisticated phishing attacks.
- > The devices that Federal staff use to do their jobs are consistently tracked and monitored, and the security posture of those devices is taken into account when granting access to internal resources.
- > Agency systems are isolated from each other, and the network traffic flowing between and within them is reliably encrypted.
- ➤ Enterprise applications are tested internally and externally and can be made available to staff securely over the internet.
- Federal security teams and data teams work together to develop data categories and security rules to automatically detect and ultimately block unauthorized access to sensitive information.
- This strategy places significant emphasis on stronger enterprise **identity** and **access** controls, including multifactor authentication (**MFA**). Without secure, enterprise-managed **identity** systems, adversaries can take over user accounts and gain a foothold in an agency to steal data or launch attacks.



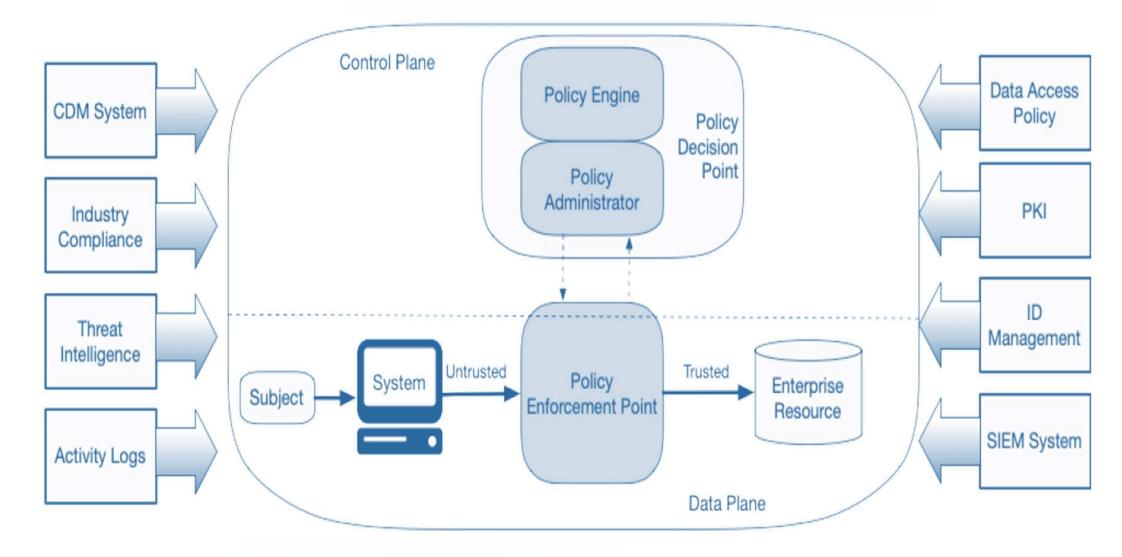
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#### Improving Investigative & Remediation Capabilities Related to Cybersecurity Incidents

- Information from logs on Federal information systems(for both on-premises systems and connections hosted by third parties, such as cloud services providers (CSPs)) is invaluable in the detection, investigation, and remediation of cyber threats.
- This memorandum was developed in accordance with and addresses the requirements in section 8 of the Executive Order for logging, log retention, and log management, with a focus on ensuring centralized access and visibility for the highest-level enterprise security operations center (SOC) of each agency.
- In addition, this memorandum establishes requirements for agencies to increase the sharing of such information, as needed and appropriate, to accelerate incident response efforts and to enable more effective defense of Federal information in and executive branch departments and agencies.
- ➤ This memo establishes a maturity model to guide the implementation of requirements across four Event Logging (EL) tiers (EL 0 EL 3).
- > CYOLO, while not a SIEM, does retain required ZTA Logs for our platform, in acceptable formats for specified timeframes and can forward them to any specified event retention, logging or monitoring platform.



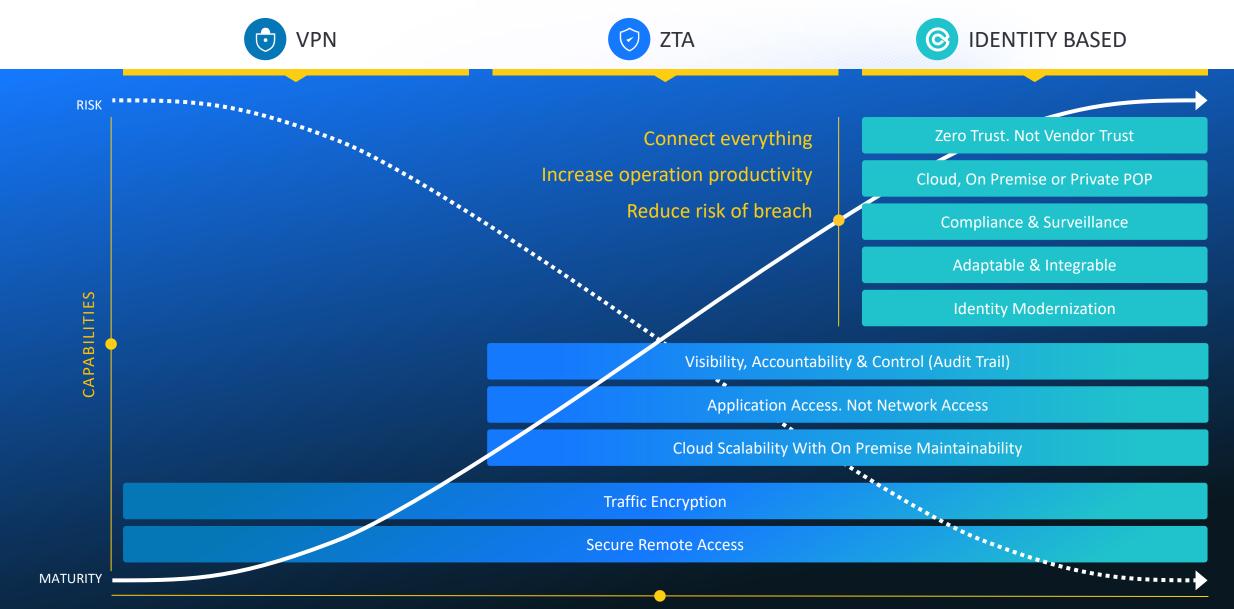
## Core ZTA Logical Components





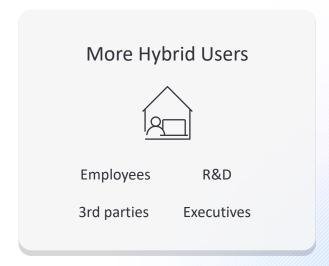


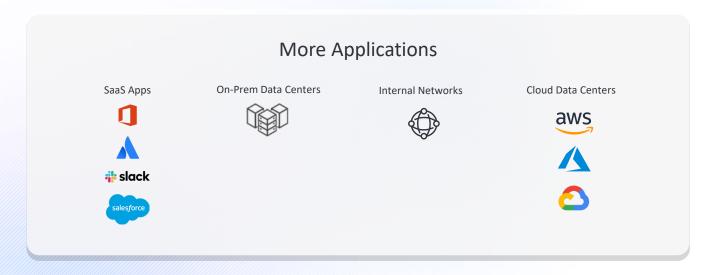
### The Cyolo Vision of ZTA

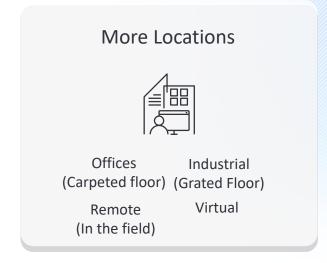


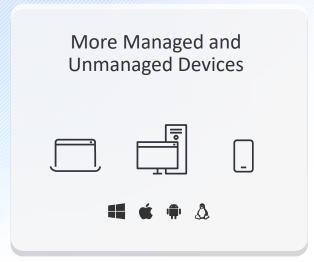


### The Real-World Driver for ZTA Capabilities - Increasingly Complex Environments







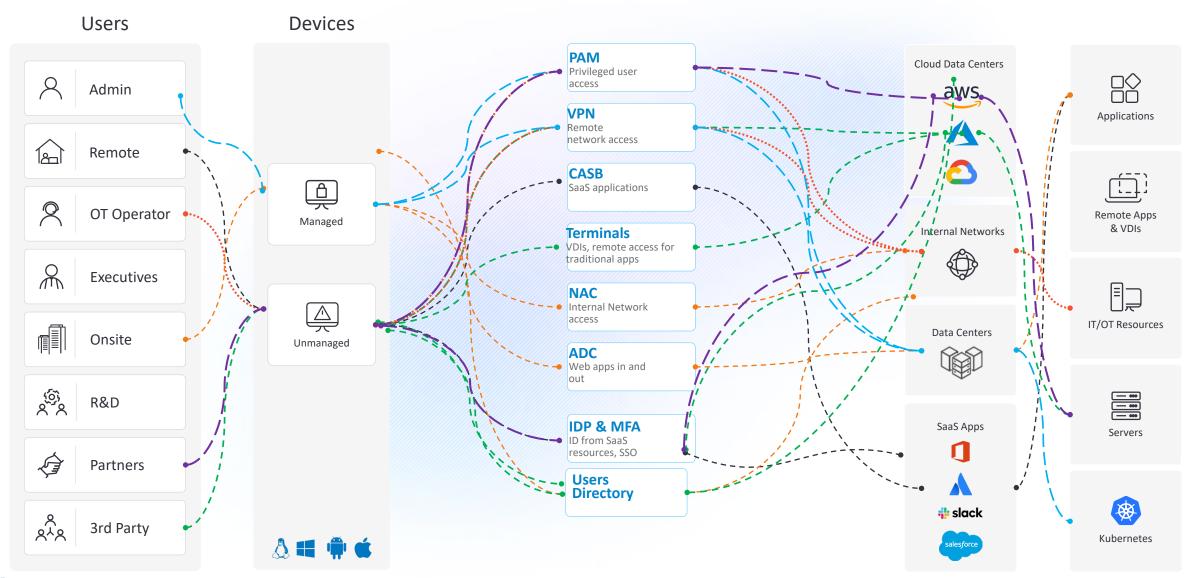








### Connecting People To Their Work Has Gotten Much Harder

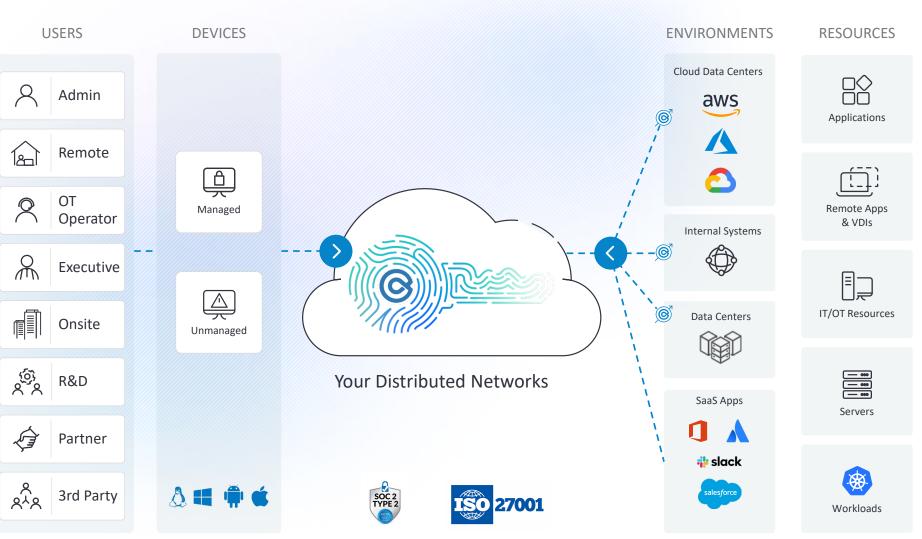






### **Identity Based Connectivity**

The Key to Secure Connectivity for ZTA



## The Journey to Identity Based Connectivity

Do you know who is connecting to your digital assets?

PROTECTION

### STEP



# **Identity Based Connectivity**

all apps

- Secured Connectivity to
- Secured Identity based Remote Access
- Secured Identity based Local Access
- Seamless Connectivity for internal and 3<sup>rd</sup> parties

#### **START**

# Fragmented Identity

- Active Directory, on prem
- Local passwords
- Fragmented Cloud integration (or none)

#### **Identity Modernization**

- Retrofitting all applications with:
- Modern MFA
- SSO for all identities
- No need to upgrade applications

### **High Risk Access**

- Deal with the urgent pain first high risk users to critical apps
- Identify the critical apps
- Create policies enabling high risk users to connect to critical apps

**ADOPTION** 

**ACCESS** 

CONNECTIVITY



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### **Identity Modernization**





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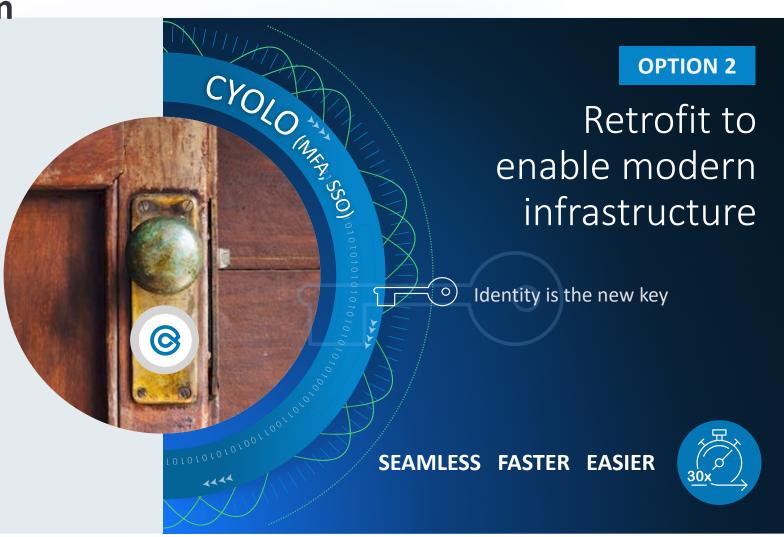
**Identity Modernization** 

#### **OPTION 1**

Rip and replace with modern infrastructure

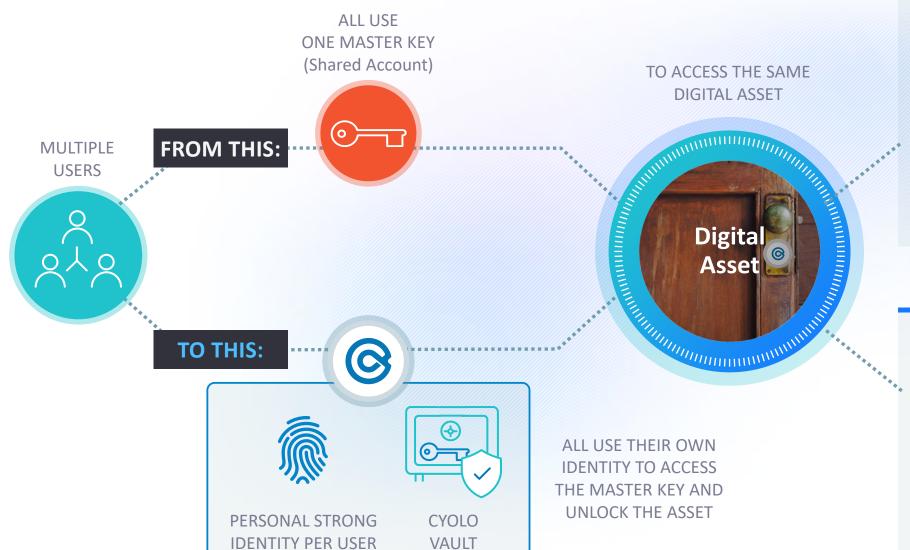


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### Generic Accounts / Shared Account

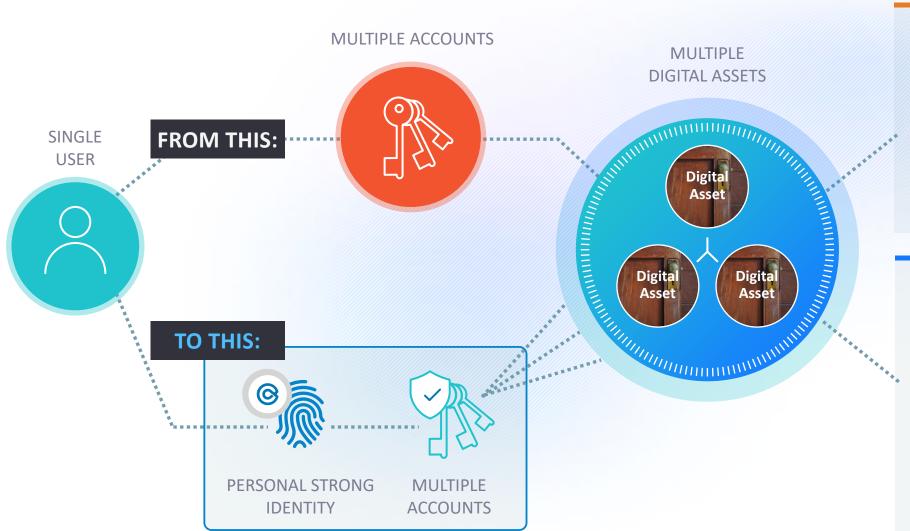


- No traceability or audit trail
- Prone to attack
- Cannot pass security assessment
- Cannot adhere to regulation

- No need to upgrade digital assets
- No lift and shift
- Seamless Modern Identity
- Full access trail



### Identity Federation



- Complex management
- No single point for audit trailing
- Complex user experience

- No change in digital assets
- No configuration changes on IDPs or assets
- Single strong identity
- Superior User Experience
- Full audit trail





Solve the High-Risk Problems First



People

Low Level of Trust



Process Maintain



Technology
High Risk

IT and OT systems holding sensitive data or running critical missions





External user connecting from China. Unmanaged device.



Ordering process mechanism. All orders made through this platform.



System holding customer's data with low security posture. (legacy platform cannot upgrade)



High Risk

#### **EXAMPLE 2**



Employee / Contractor connecting via managed device.



Opening IT support ticket. (malfunctioning printer)

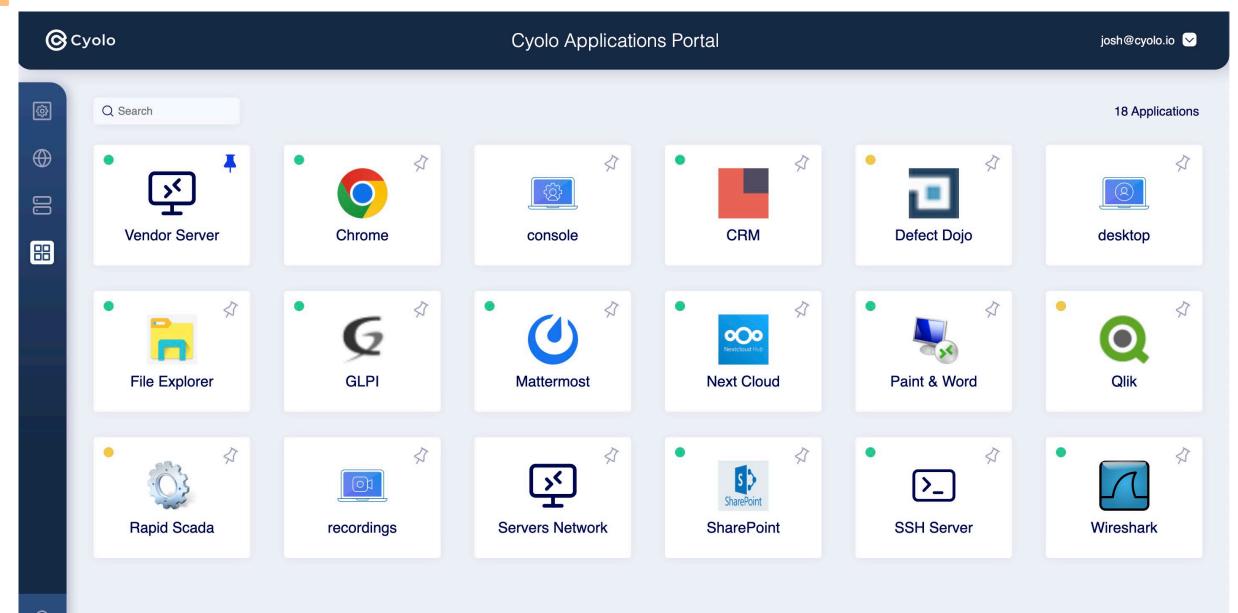


IT Support ticketing system. If down, no IT tickets can be maintained.



Low Risk



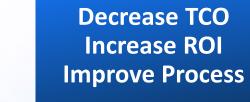






## Achieving ZTA Goals (Functional) using Cyolo





















### Achieving ZTA Goals (Technical) using Cyolo



## Mitigate Risk of Breach

- MFA & SSO to any app and resource
- End-to-end encryption & continuous authorization
- Secrets vault
- Application access instead of network access



# Increase Operational Productivity

- Just in time access
- Disaster Recovery
- Integrate with all IdPs, support multiple idPs
- Identity federation
- Local IDP
- Work with any device & BYOD



# Seamlessly Adapted by End Users

- Web and native application support
- Agentless
- Fastest ZTA by design
- Just in time access
- Android, iOS
- Windows, iOS, Linux





- Supervised Access
- Session recording
- Cloud, On Premise or Private PoP
- Full audit trail
- Integrate with security tools and SIEMs



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# Thank You!



