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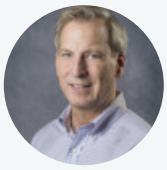
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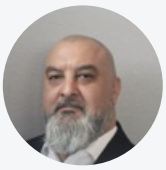
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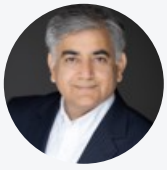
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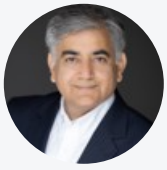
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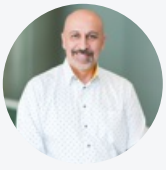
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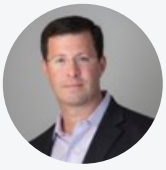
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Registration	**8:30 AM-9:15 AM**
Morning Networking	**9:15 AM-10:00 AM**
Opening Remarks	**10:00 AM-10:10 AM**

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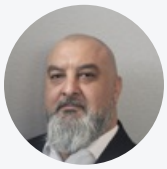
10:10 AM-10:35 AM

SASE in 2026: An Enterprise Roadmap for Scalable, and Converged Networking and Security

Enterprises are at a pivotal moment in their security and networking evolution. Hybrid work is permanent, cloud and SaaS adoption continue to accelerate, and AI-driven threats are increasing both in speed and sophistication. As users, applications, and data move beyond the traditional perimeter, enterprises must deliver consistent security and optimized access—everywhere—without increasing operational complexity.

This keynote explores how Secure Access Service Edge (SASE) provides a unified, architecture-driven approach to converging networking and security. Attendees will gain a practical roadmap for evolving toward a scalable SASE strategy in 2026—one that strengthens identity-centric controls, simplifies operations, reduces architectural sprawl, and enables enterprises to modernize incrementally while protecting existing investments.

SPEAKER



Pete Lujan

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PANEL

10:40 AM-11:35 AM

Securing the Rise of Agentic AI: Trust, Control, and Resilience in Autonomous Systems

As agentic AI systems evolve from experimental tools to enterprise-grade digital workers—capable of making decisions, taking actions, and adapting in real time—they introduce a new paradigm of both possibility and risk. Unlike traditional automation, agentic AI operates with greater autonomy, raising urgent questions for security leaders: How do we ensure control? How do we manage risk when systems learn, act, and adapt independently?
This panel will explore the security implications of deploying agentic AI across business operations—from data privacy and decision integrity to real-time threat mitigation and adversarial AI risks. We'll dive into the intersection of governance, identity management, and AI observability, and how CISOs can build frameworks that safeguard both the systems and the outcomes.

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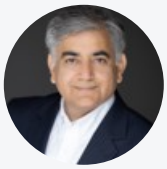
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Coffee Break

11:35 AM-11:55 AM

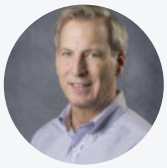
PANEL

11:55 AM-12:45 PM

Agentic AI in Action: The Next Frontier of Enterprise Automation

As enterprises move beyond prompt-driven generative AI, agentic systems are enabling more autonomous, end-to-end workflows. This panel explores how organizations are putting agentic AI into practice, including where autonomy adds value and where human oversight remains critical.
Panelists will discuss how to design collaborative architectures between humans and AI agents, as well as the governance models needed to monitor behavior, prevent operational drift, and ensure trust.

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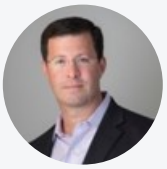
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Lunch & Networking

12:45 PM-1:45 PM

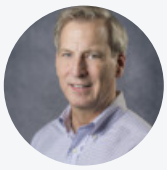
FIRESIDE CHAT

1:45 PM-2:20 PM

The Future of Cyber Resilience: Winning in a World of Constant Threats

In an era of AI and automation, the number of escalating cyber threats, expanding attack surfaces, and accelerated digital transformation, traditional security models are no longer enough. As organizations generate more data and adopt increasingly autonomous technologies, cyber resilience now depends on the ability to anticipate, adapt, and respond in real time. This keynote will explore what it takes to build security strategies for today's complex threat landscape, where speed, intelligence, and business alignment are critical. From securing hybrid and multi-cloud environments to leveraging AI and machine learning for predictive threat detection, anomaly identification, behavioral analytics, and automated response, we'll examine how leading organizations are transforming security operations into intelligent, self-learning ecosystems. Learn how to move beyond reactive defense toward proactive, data-driven resilience, ensuring your organization can not only withstand disruption, but continuously evolve ahead of it.

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PANEL

2:25 PM-3:10 PM

The Human Side of Tech: Why Soft Skills Are the Real Superpower

In a world obsessed with digital transformation, AI, and automation, it's easy to forget the power of human connection. But the truth is—technology doesn't lead, people do. As roles evolve and teams become more cross-functional, the ability to listen, influence, adapt, and collaborate has become just as critical as technical expertise.

Today's CIOs, CISOs, and tech leaders are expected not only to drive innovation, but to communicate across departments, manage diverse teams, and navigate uncertainty with empathy and clarity. Emotional intelligence, storytelling, active listening, and resilience are no longer "nice to have"—they're essential for anyone leading in a fast-moving, high-stakes environment.

Nowhere is this leadership shift more relevant than in the US particularly in NYC, a city built on creativity, reinvention, and cultural diversity. Here, the ability to connect across perspectives isn't just a professional skill—it's a way of life. As tech and business worlds converge, NYC's unique blend of innovation and human-centered thinking offers the perfect backdrop to explore how soft skills are reshaping the future of leadership.

This session dives into why the most successful executives are blending EQ with IQ to inspire trust, build alignment, and drive lasting impact.

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Networking Break

3:10 PM-3:30 PM

FIRESIDE CHAT

3:30 PM-4:10 PM

Mental Fatigue, Burnout & the Human Risk Factor in Technology and Cybersecurity

In today's always-on digital economy, technology and cybersecurity leaders are expected to operate at the intersection of constant innovation, relentless threat activity, and growing business demands, often with little margin for error. The result is a rising but often overlooked challenge: mental fatigue, burnout, and the human risk factors that can quietly impact decision-making, team performance, and organizational resilience. In high-pressure environments like IT, security operations, and incident response, cognitive overload doesn't just affect individual well-being, it can increase operational risk, slow critical response times, and contribute to talent attrition. This session brings together technology and security executives to explore the systemic drivers of burnout across technical teams, from alert fatigue and staffing shortages to always-on cultures and the pressure to continuously adapt to emerging threats such as AI-driven attacks. Leaders will discuss how to build resilient operating models, use automation and AI to reduce repetitive workloads, and create cultures that protect both performance and people. Join your peers for a candid conversation on why safeguarding human capacity may be one of the most important cybersecurity strategies of the next decade.

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Closing Remarks & Raffle Giveaway

4:10 PM-4:20 PM

Cocktail Reception

4:20 PM-5:30 PM

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