



**WORLD BANK GROUP**  
Information and Technology Solutions

# Building a 24x7 Incident Response Operation – Our Journey

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ENDING

**POVERTY**

building shared prosperity

# Sustainable Development Goals





# WBG Today



**16,000**

staff

**150**

country offices

**170**

nationalities

# WBG Office of Information Security



# The Business Case for 24x7 Information Security Operations Center



Breaches are often not detected until months later



Effective incident response requires strong business context



IR is a tactical, as well as a strategic element of information security



100% prevention is not possible. More emphasis on detection and response



Emerging and rapidly evolving threats demand a dedicated team

# Critical Considerations for an ISOC

<b>Sourcing Options</b>	In house, outsourced or hybrid? Staff vs. contractors
<b>Budget</b>	Cost considerations
<b>Resources</b>	Scheduling for 24x7 operations Quality talent is hard to find and hard to retain Training and development for higher level skills
<b>Location</b>	Onsite, onshore, vs. offshore?
<b>Existing Posture</b>	Controls maturity



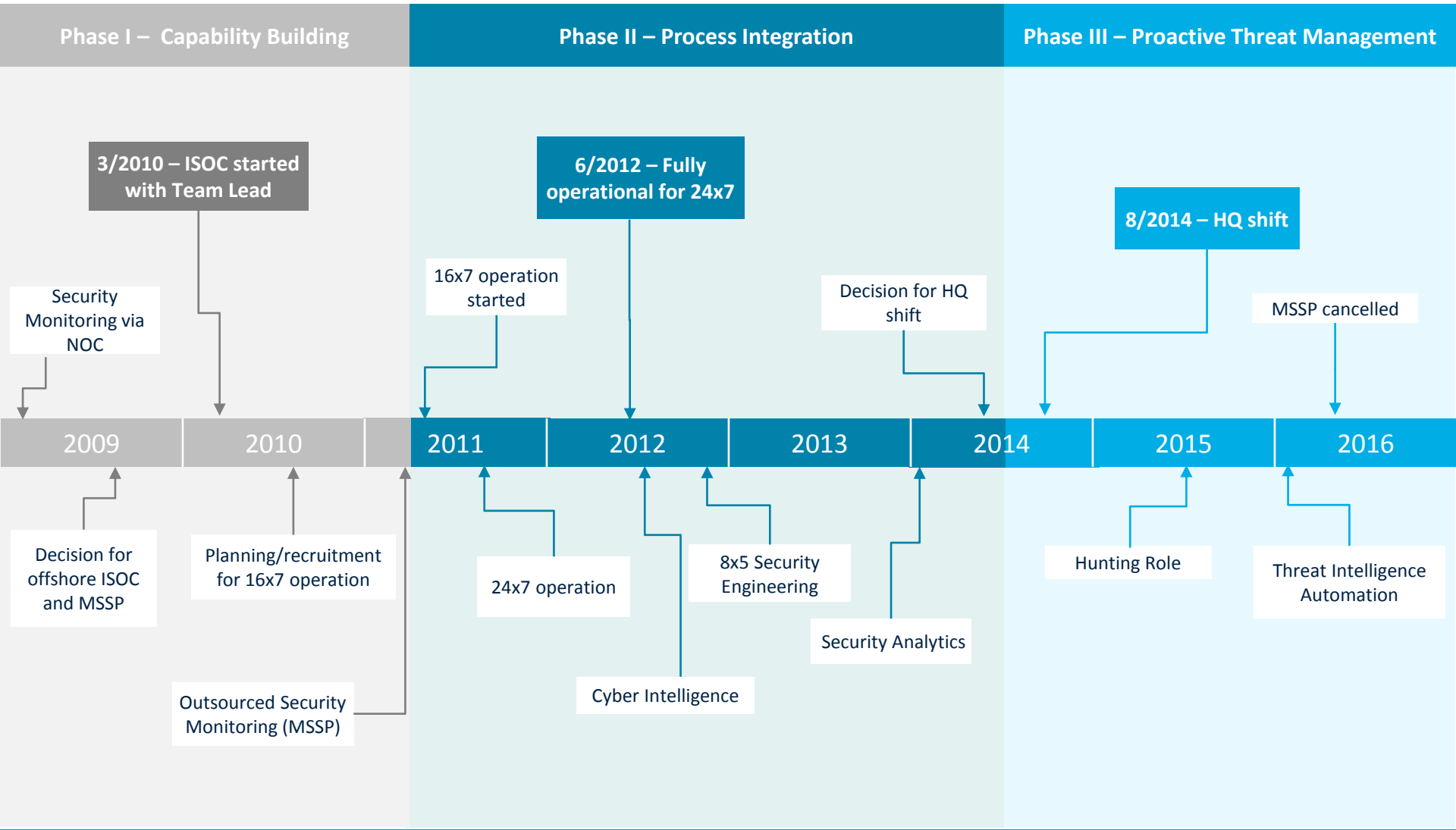
# ISOC Goals

- Facilitate 24 x 7 World Bank Group **incident detection and response** capabilities
- Minimize damage from security incidents through **well-coordinated response**
- Improve information security practices from incident **lessons learned**

## Our Services

- Consistent incident detection and response
- Event monitoring, analysis, correlation, and resolution
- Alerts and notifications on information security threats
- Incident identification, analysis, and handling
- Coordination and escalation
- Maintenance of database of security events
- Improved communication and reporting

# WBG Security Event Management – Our Journey



# Security Incident Response – A Phased Approach



## Phase I - Capability Building: Security Monitoring and Escalation

### Sourcing Approach: Hybrid

#### In house: Network Operations Center

- Security monitoring from multiple sources
- Security event triage and initial impact analysis
- Incident identification and escalation
- Reporting and follow up

#### Outsourced: MSSP

Complement in-house capabilities with monitoring and alerting of:

- Peripheral Devices
- Internet ingress/egress points
- Firewalls/IPS/IDS

### Objectives

- Establish 24/7 security monitoring, alerting, escalation
- Leverage existing resources for Tier 2 and Tier 3 support

### Capabilities

- Real-time security monitoring, triage, alerting, and escalation to Tier II support
- Log management platforms, IDS, IPS, vulnerability scanners
- Documented processes and procedures
- Team structure with clear roles and responsibilities

# Security Incident Response – A Phased Approach



## Phase II – Process Integration: ISOC

### Sourcing Approach: In-house and Offshore - ISOC

- Virus and malware remediation
- Resolution of Medium/Low severity incidents
- Log analysis and follow-up on critical events
- Identifying hostile information from dynamic malware analysis
- SIEM maintenance
- Integration with Cyber intelligence, threat and vulnerability management, log management, compliance

### Objectives

- Build dedicated Tier 1 and Tier 2 support in offshore ISOC to offload operational tasks, achieve process excellence and cost efficiency

### Capabilities

- 24x7 real-time monitoring and triage
- Incident detection, analysis, notification, and containment
- Malware analysis
- Cyber intelligence collection and analysis
- Consistent incident management process with well defined critical incident response procedure and planning exercises
- Metrics Reporting
- Incident management tool, analytics tool, advanced endpoint threat protection
- ISOC organization with skilled resources performing Tiers 1 and 2 support

# Security Incident Response – A Phased Approach

## Phase III - Proactive Threat Management

### Sourcing Approach: In house, Onsite and Offshore - ISOC and Chennai Operations Center

- HQ shift during HQ business hours
- Chennai: weekend coverage and 2 shifts on weekdays
- Additional security functions in Chennai

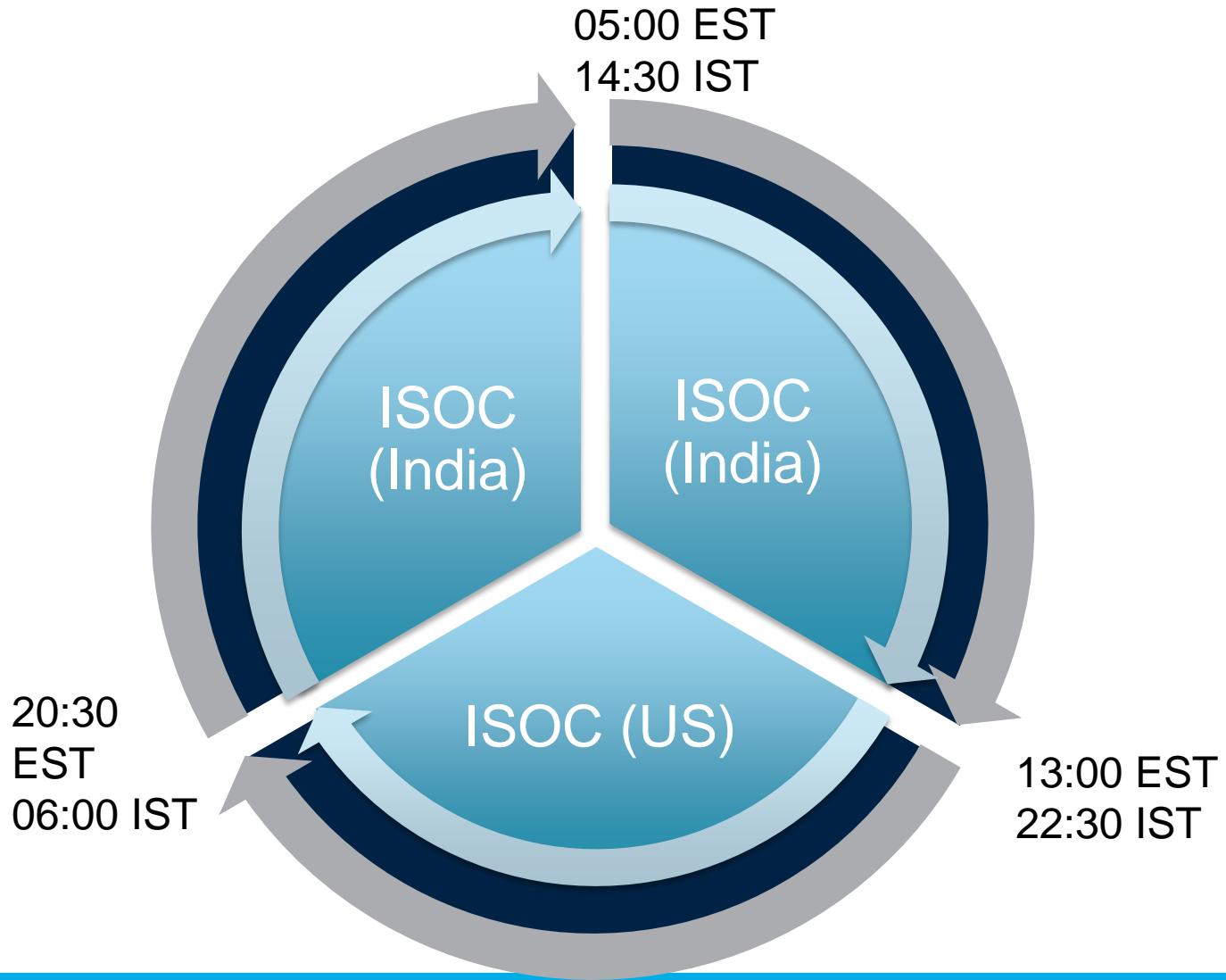
### Objectives

- Establish data-driven security to increase detection and defend against advanced threats
- Continuous improvement to drive effectiveness and efficiency

### Capabilities

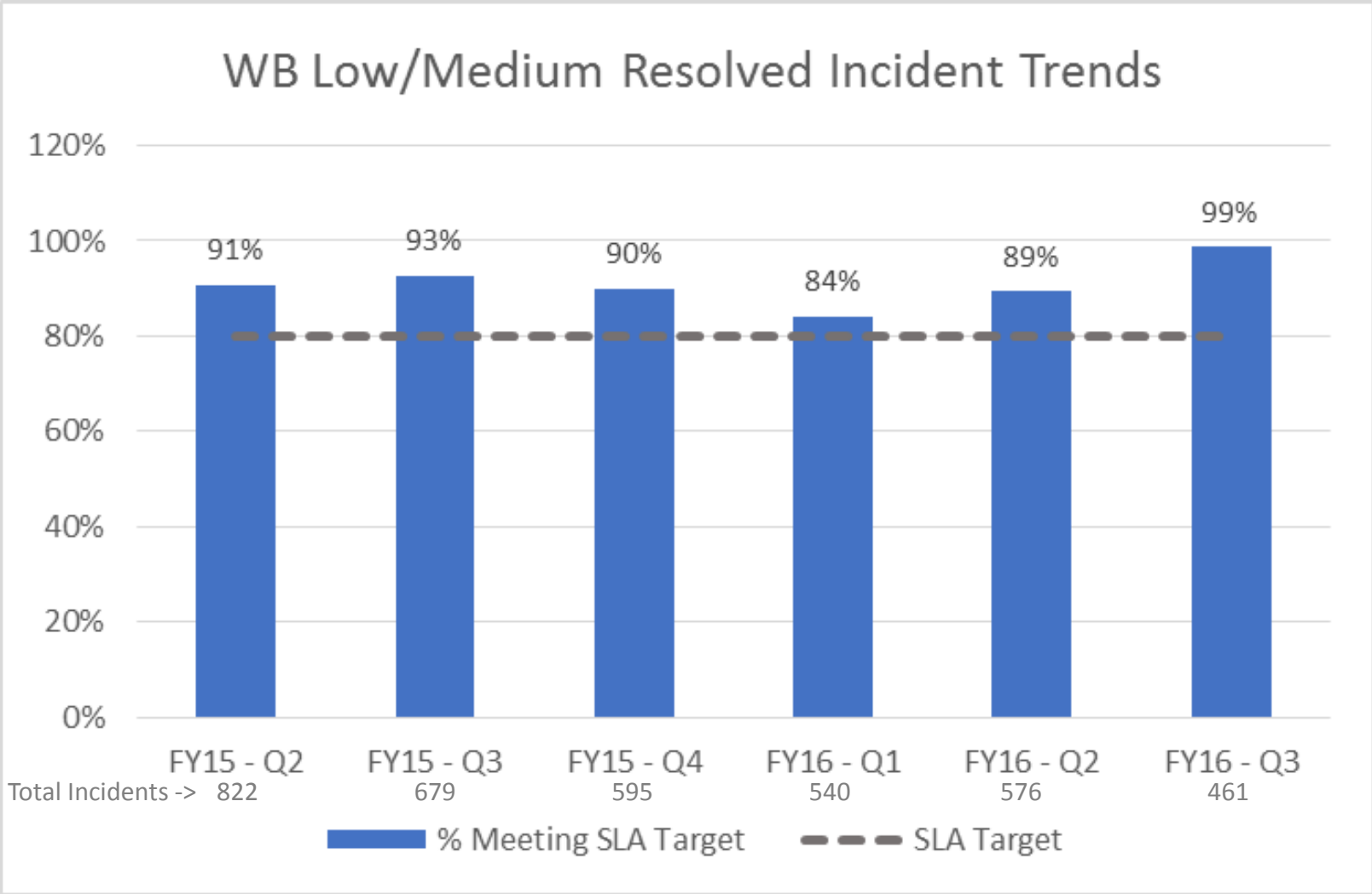
- Continuous monitoring
- Fusion of cyber threat intelligence with security analytics and hunting to proactively identify threats and implement defenses
- Effective linkage with the WBG-wide Emergency Management process
- Advanced analytics tools, automated threat intelligence tool
- Intrusion hunting
- Skilled security staff

# ISOC Shift Operations





# Incident Management SLA Trend



# Security Incident Response – Tiered Support

## Tier I (ISOC) – 24x7 Security Monitoring

- Security monitoring from multiple sources
- Event correlation and analysis
- Triage and initial impact analysis
- Incident identification and escalation
- Incident data entry
- Reporting and follow up
- Quarantine Release

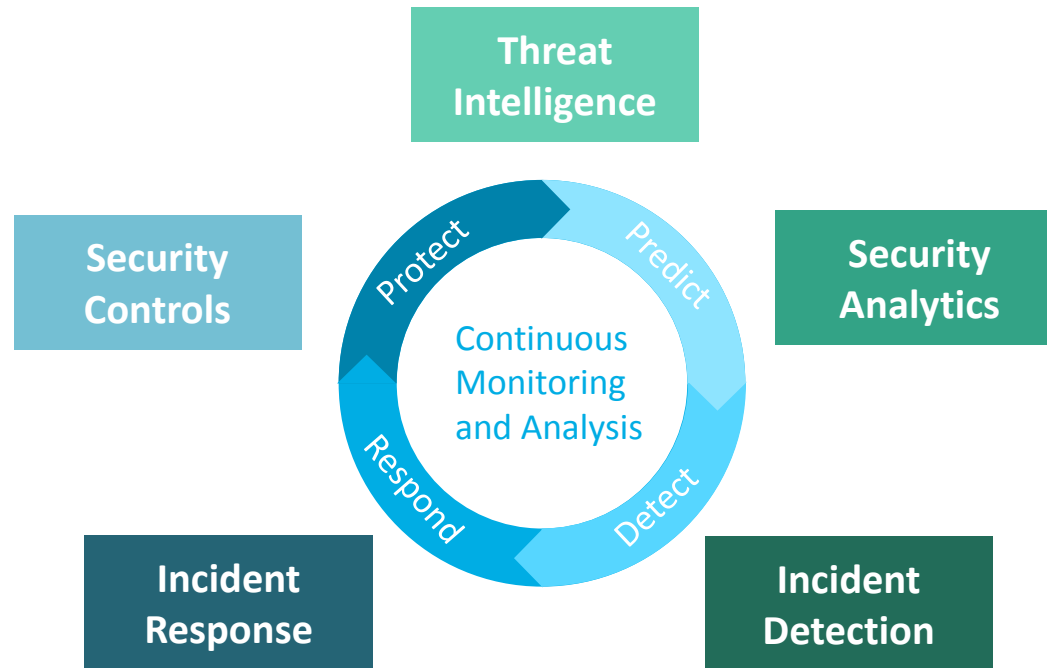
## Tier II (ISOC and HQ On-Call Incident Handler)

- Virus and malware remediation
- Resolution of Medium/Low severity incidents
- Log analysis and follow-up on critical events
- Limited IR
- Incident coordination and management
- Identifying hostile information from dynamic malware analysis
- SIEM maintenance
- Vulnerability scanning
- Cyber threat intelligence: collect threat information; organize, correlate, and analyze; provide alerts & notifications
- Take action on threat intelligence information

## Tier III (Critical Incident Response and Remediation and Security Engineering in HQ)

- Critical Incident Response Team
- Vulnerability management and remediation
- Resolution of high severity and complex incidents
- Forensics
- requiring changes to controls, i.e. log management or IDS rule changes

# Putting it Together - People, Process, Technology



# Lessons Learnt



- Outsourcing security monitoring to MSSP still requires onsite resources for analysis and coordination
- Running 24x7, 3 shifts on weekdays and weekends
- Retention and career development of security talent
- Executive support and communications
- Incident response cannot be effectively transferred or outsourced to vendors



- Business continuity (HQ shift)
- Process integration
- Security incident response needs to be integrated with corporate emergency response
- Take a phased approach
- Share cyber threat knowledge with and across industries, and collaborate with your peers
- Metrics and Key Performance Indicators



- Leverage available market capabilities
- Log management and advanced analytics

# WBG Cybersecurity Strategy and Key Initiatives



# Next Generation Cybersecurity Strategy (NGCS)

## From...

- Just protect the perimeter
- Risk avoidance approach
- Reactive security against emerging threats
- Security is IT's responsibility
- Security is the bottleneck

## To...

- Protect critical information
- Risk management approach
- Proactive defense against emerging threats
- Security is a shared responsibility
- Security is a business enabler

Continuous improvement of our Defense-in-Depth capabilities through **people, process, and technology**



# WBG Focus Areas

- Strengthen foundational preventative controls and threat management and incident response capabilities
- Engage with the business to strike balance between being secure while remaining business-driven
- People, process and technology
- Invest in adaptive security and analytics
- Retention and development of skilled security and IT risk professionals

## Key Initiatives



- ITS Policies and Procedures Revamp
- Ongoing Security Awareness and Training (i.e. Phishing Exercises)
- WB and IFC information governance initiatives



- Cyber Threat Preparedness
- Data Breach Notification Framework
- Third Party Vendor Risk Management



- Cloud First Strategy & Adoption
- Data Loss Prevention (DLP) and access control
- Threat Analytics