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TAKING THE PULSE OF GOVERNMENT CYBER SECURITY 2020

Is public-private sector collaboration the **best kept secret** of a stronger cyber defence?



of government respondents thought the pace of change was too slow in comparison to enterprise

believed that a slow pace of change can negatively impact national cyber defence

also believed that collaboration with the private sector could improve the pace of change



99% of respondents said they could learn about innovation from tech and private sector companies



Only 22% said that they are more cyber secure than most private sector entities

"Great strides have been made in collaborative cyber security approaches but if those within government are keen to move the needle further and they feel that industry can help them, we need to be doing more to facilitate an environment where this can take place.

By working together we limit risk and achieve more, so we should make it a priority to be looking for those opportunities and removing obstacles that might be standing in their way. The old adage 'it takes a village' could never be truer."

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The top choice for **more investment** in cyber security was in **broad solutions that provide a layer of defence**

The highest ranked risk specifically for 2020 was **remote working (34%)**

Three quarters of respondents felt their agency is **more susceptible to cyberattack** when the workforce is working remotely

71% believe the outcome of elections could be impacted by cyber threats in 2020

The top two election security-related concerns are fake news / dissemination of misinformation (44%) and a lack of trust in the democratic process (30%)





Methodology

This survey was conducted by ISMG in the spring and summer 2020. It generated more than 100 responses from government agencies in the UK, US and the Middle East.