

ACCENTURE FEDERAL SERVICES' CYBER ASSURANCE INTEGRATION FRAMEWORK (CAIF) VIDEO TRANSCRIPT

Bill Marion: Federal IT leaders must accelerate application development to keep pace with rapidly changing mission demands. Their challenge? Accreditation processes that are too often designed for yesterday's more static systems. Driven by the growing number of cyberthreats that federal agencies face, compliance requirements are changing continuously to meet expectations for mission critical resiliency. However, thousands of hours of effort are too often invested in a paper chase that yields few real-world improvements in enterprise security. What's needed is an automated intelligence-driven framework, that is native to today's cloud-based living systems and built to scale in a DevSecOps environment.

Aaron Faulkner: Accenture's Cyber Assurance Integration Framework (CAIF) is a proven approach to IT compliance, security, and risk assessment. It is comprehensive and risk-based, providing real assurance to the integrity of new solutions. It is also highly automated, streamlining the development of assessments and authorization documentation and accelerating the achievement of ATOs by up to 50 percent or more.

Khushboo Doshi: CAIF integrates information assurance into a DevSecOps process, helping agencies shift to a continuous authorization operating model. Test automation is automatically implemented and documented, allowing a faster certification of new releases. With CAIF, new software is always tested, always assured.

Aaron Faulkner: The reality is that assessment and authorization isn't one and done. Federal agencies need to demonstrate ongoing compliance with a host of requirements from FedRAMP and FISMA, to auditors and 3PAOs. CAIF provides a centralized platform to support all these efforts. Our touch once, report many approach repeats testing and reuses compliance documentation processes across all regulatory compliance frameworks.

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Khushboo Doshi: CAIF's enterprise-wide approach combines security orchestration, repeatable processes, intelligent automation, and systems integration to deliver mission specific risk management and continuous authorization. CAIF offers real-time dashboards with views into the overall assurance posture, intelligent automation – including chatbots and robotic process automation for repeatable process execution – integration with leading digital platforms using portals and workflows to create artifacts and API integration with systems of record to further streamline processes.

Bill Marion: CAIF provides end-to-end visibility into key controls, vulnerability remediation, and overall security compliance for critical systems. It's a proven platform for expediting accreditation and authorization processes, drastically reducing the cost and time of compliance. With CAIF, agency leaders can continue to innovate and enhance mission capabilities while maintaining continuous security.

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