Security vs. Risk vs. Privacy – Who Leads the Charge?

While most information security leaders hold the security function as a single, primary responsibility, CISOs are also being tasked with the roles of risk and privacy. One driving factor in determining expanse of responsibility is the reporting structure within the organization. Ways in which CISOs can more effectively lead the charge in aligning security, privacy and risk is to:

- Recognize the importance of relationships and build relationships with other business units. Relationships become even more critical when dotted line reporting structures are involved.
- Leverage architectural review boards and build in legal, compliance and security checklists.
- Leverage tools and automation to keep up with the speed of change in the technology environment and facilitate scalability.
- Institute a formal security-risk-privacy process in the governance model.