



NATO LCMG Workshop



Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification

The US DoD cyber standard mandated on their global DIB contractors and subcontractors for contract award

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The Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) framework, oversight and assurance

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What's driving US DoD cyber policy?

- The US Department of Defence (DoD) has plans to invest over \$1.8TRN in new weapon systems ¹.
- Cyber attacks cost the US economy between \$56BN and \$109BN (2016 ²).
- Increased sophistication and success of cyber attacks on the US DIB.
- The increased dependence on digital solutions for the design, manufacture and servicing of new and current defence systems.
- US Cyberspace Solarium commission recommendations ³.
- Cyber attacks and the theft of the DoD Intellectual Property (IP) puts the defence capabilities of the US under threat (GAO 2018) ⁴.

Cyber is a top priority. SolarWinds and FireEye Hack 2020, the GAO audit on Federal management of supply chain risk ⁵



What's driving the CMMC?

- In 2019 the Inspector General of the DOD identified ineffective contractor protection of Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI) ⁶ using NIST (SP) 800 - 171 ⁷.
- DFARS 48 CFR § 252.204 - 7012 - Safeguarding covered defense information and cyber incident reporting ⁸ requiring NIST (SP) 800 – 171 compliance and self-attestation has been in place since December 31st 2017.
- GAO audits in 2018 and 2020 identified significant issues with cyber security. Its impact on the US economy and DIB DFARS compliance.
- A GAO Audit in 2018 ⁹ identified significant issues with the cyber security posture of weapon systems.

DFARS case in 2019 – D041

‘Strategic Assessment and Cybersecurity Certification Requirements’ ¹⁰.

A significant impact to the global DIB, setting an international standard for cyber security compliance



Interim Final ruling – DFARS Case D041 ⁹

‘Strategic Assessment and Cybersecurity Certification Requirements’ - The Interim Final Ruling (IFR) came into effect on the 1st December 2020 making changes to DFARS procurement clauses.

The 2 part ruling

- The IFR sets out a 2 part approach to the security Federal Contract and Controlled Unclassified Information (FCI/ CUI) using NIST (SP) 800 171 and CMMC.
- **Part 1:** Contractors and subcontractors to assesses their ‘basic’ compliance to the 110 NIST (SP) 800 – 171 security practices using the DoD Assessment Methodology (DAM) ¹¹. Input results into the DoD Supplier Performance Risk System (SPRS). Contracting officers will confirm that results are submitted before new award.

DoD personnel will conduct evidence based ‘medium’ and ‘high-level’ assessments, to confirm contractor and subcontractor compliance.
- **Part 2:** CMMC levels (L1-L5) will be added by the DoD to contracts starting in 2021 ¹². All contractors and subcontractors must hold a CMMC certificate in SPRS at the appropriate ‘contracted’ level (min. Level 1) before a new award is made.



The potential impact of the CMMC programme - General

- Non compliance could result in no contract award.
- The NIST and CMMC framework sets a high standard for cyber security compliance.
- Compliance creates security challenges for the oversight and assurance of CUI protection across international borders.
- Dependence on US DoD spending could create economic challenges for US partner nations if the DIB fails to comply* i.e. loss of contract awards.
- The US dependency on the global DIB could create challenges for the DoD if US partner nation DIB fail to comply*.
- The lack of cyber aware and cyber skilled resources will hinder cyber compliance.



The potential impact of the CMMC programme – DIB specific

- CMMC requires all DIB contractors and subcontractors to have a CMMC Level 1 certificate by 1st October 2025 (+250,000 companies).
- The NIST and CMMC framework sets a standard for cyber security compliance. Creating multiple tiers of cyber compliance.
- The cost of compliance is significant, costs the DIB will have to adsorb.
- From December 1st 2020 contractors and subcontractors must complete a NIST SP 800 - 171 DoD assessment and potentially a CMMC certification prior to contract award.
- Plans of Action (POA) in place at the time of the DAM assessment will result in a practice being considered unimplemented. POA are not applicable for CMMC.



Summary

Implications on Lifecycle Management and through life support

- Applies to FCI and CUI data created, stored, transmitted for products and services across the whole product lifecycle.
- Mandates compliance for the protection of FCI and CUI through procurement contracts using DFARS.
- CMMC will be applied to all DoD contracts by October 2025, applicable to contractors and subcontractors (min Level 1).
- Will require an independent assessment of compliance and a CMMC Level certificate before a contract is awarded. Repeated every 3 years.
- The cost of cyber compliance is significant. Deloitte estimated that in 2020 Financial Institutions cyber spend was 0.48% of revenue¹³, \$2,691 per employee on cyber.

CMMC is an integral component of supply chain risk and the Federal Risk Management Framework





Thank you for your interest.

Questions?

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Definitions and Acronyms

- **CMMC** – Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification – US DoD procurement cyber security framework.
- **CMMC-AB** – Cyber Security Maturity Model Certification Accreditation Body. Organisation established under MOU by the DoD to manage global CMMC compliance oversight, assurance and training.
- **Cyberspace Solarium Commission** – Established in 2019 under the National Defense Authorization Act to "develop a consensus on a strategic approach to defending the United States in cyberspace against cyber attacks
- **DIB** – US global Defence Industry Base.
- **NIST** – National Institute of Standards and Technology - Owner and creator of the NIST suite of cyber security standards including NIST SP (Special Publication) 800 – 171.
- **POA** – Plan Of Action

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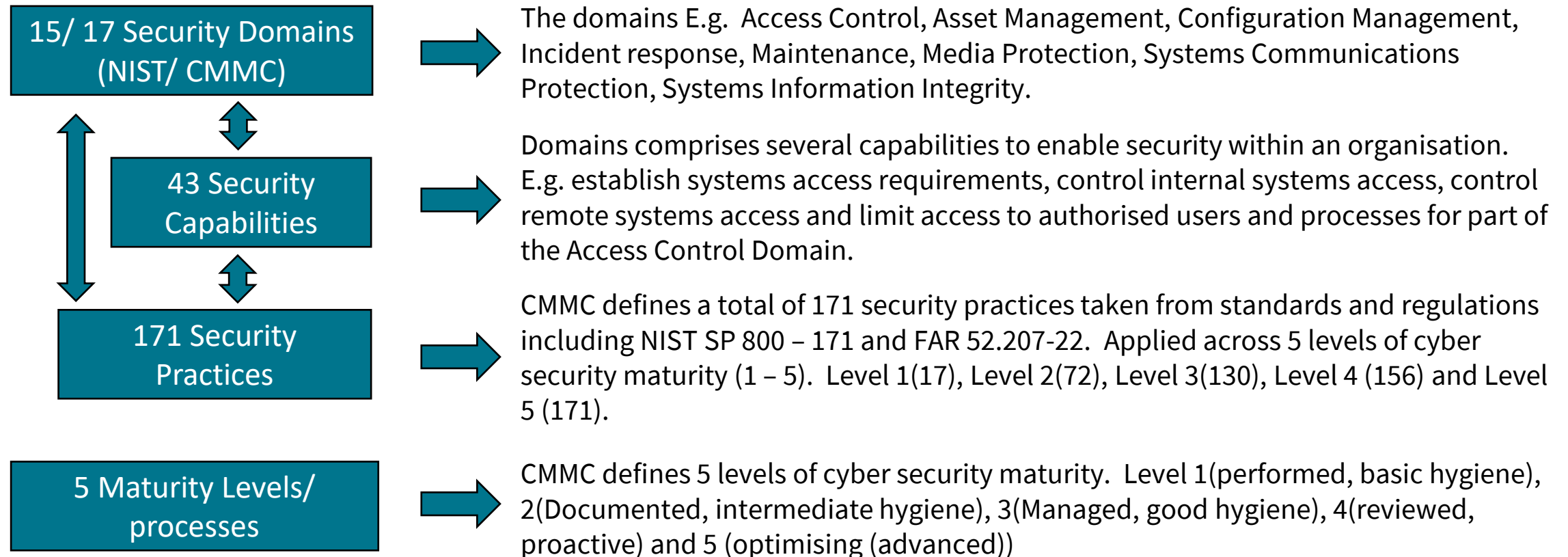


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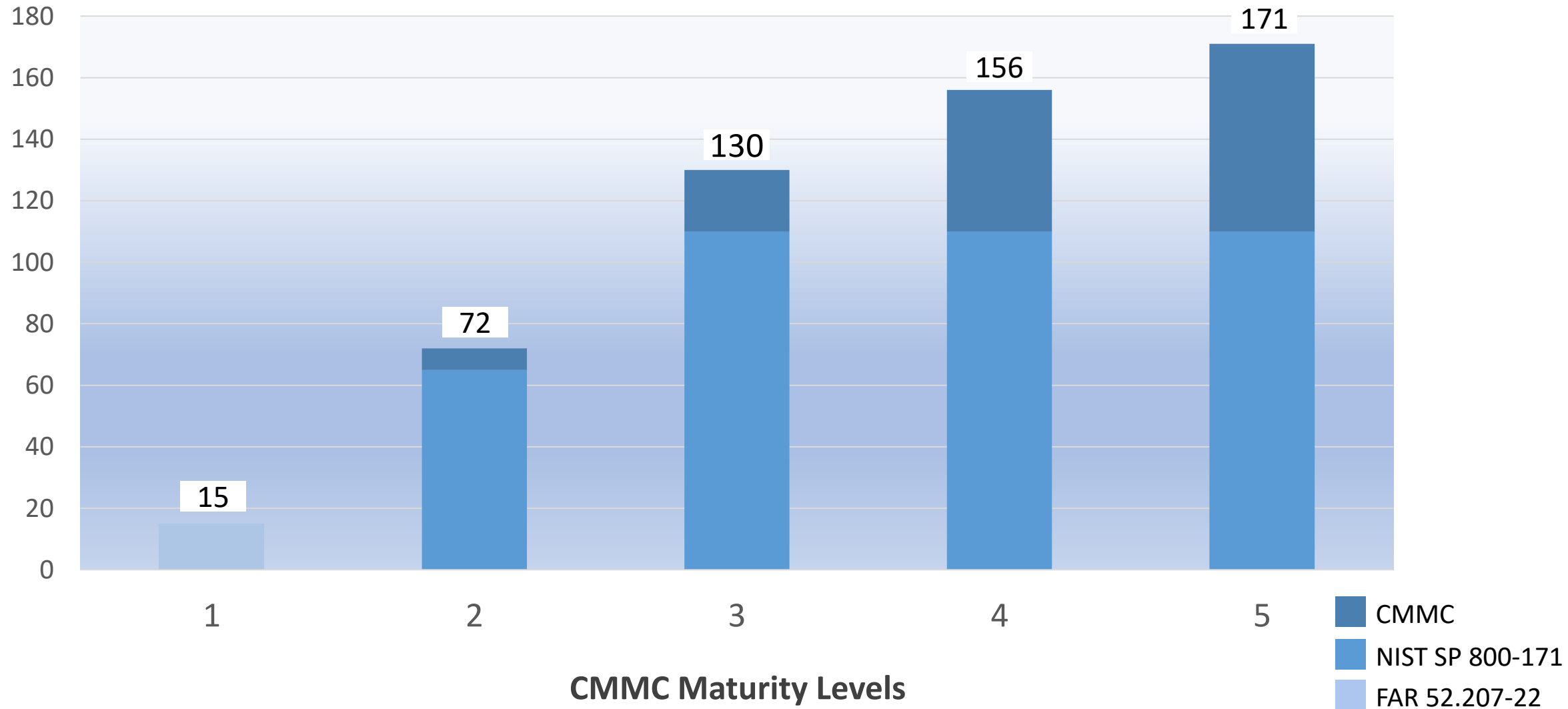


What is the CMMC framework

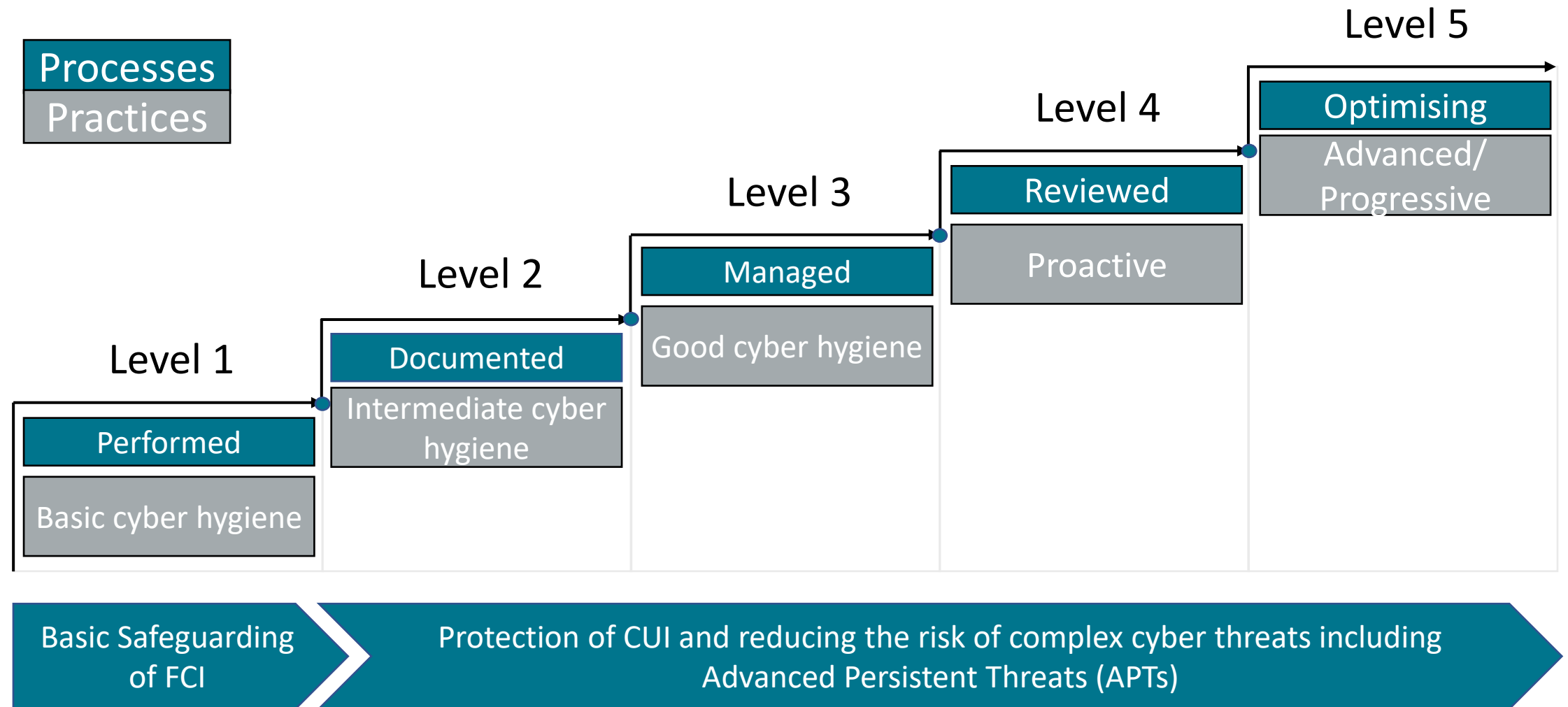
A framework to regulate the assurance and accreditation of compliance to NIST 800 – 171 for the protection of FCI and CUI for the DoD.



CMMC security practices



CMMC maturity processes



Impact of CMMC

Regulatory

- Updates to current DFARS 252.204-7012 will mandate CMMC oversight and accreditation of NIST 800 – 171 compliance to complete DoD contracts.
- Other Federal regulations are being updated to accommodate CMMC.

Procurement

- All DoD suppliers will be required to be CMMC compliant by 2024.
- The first contracts requiring CMMC maturity level certification when DFARS rules are changed.
- DoD contracts will require a valid CMMC certificate.

Legal

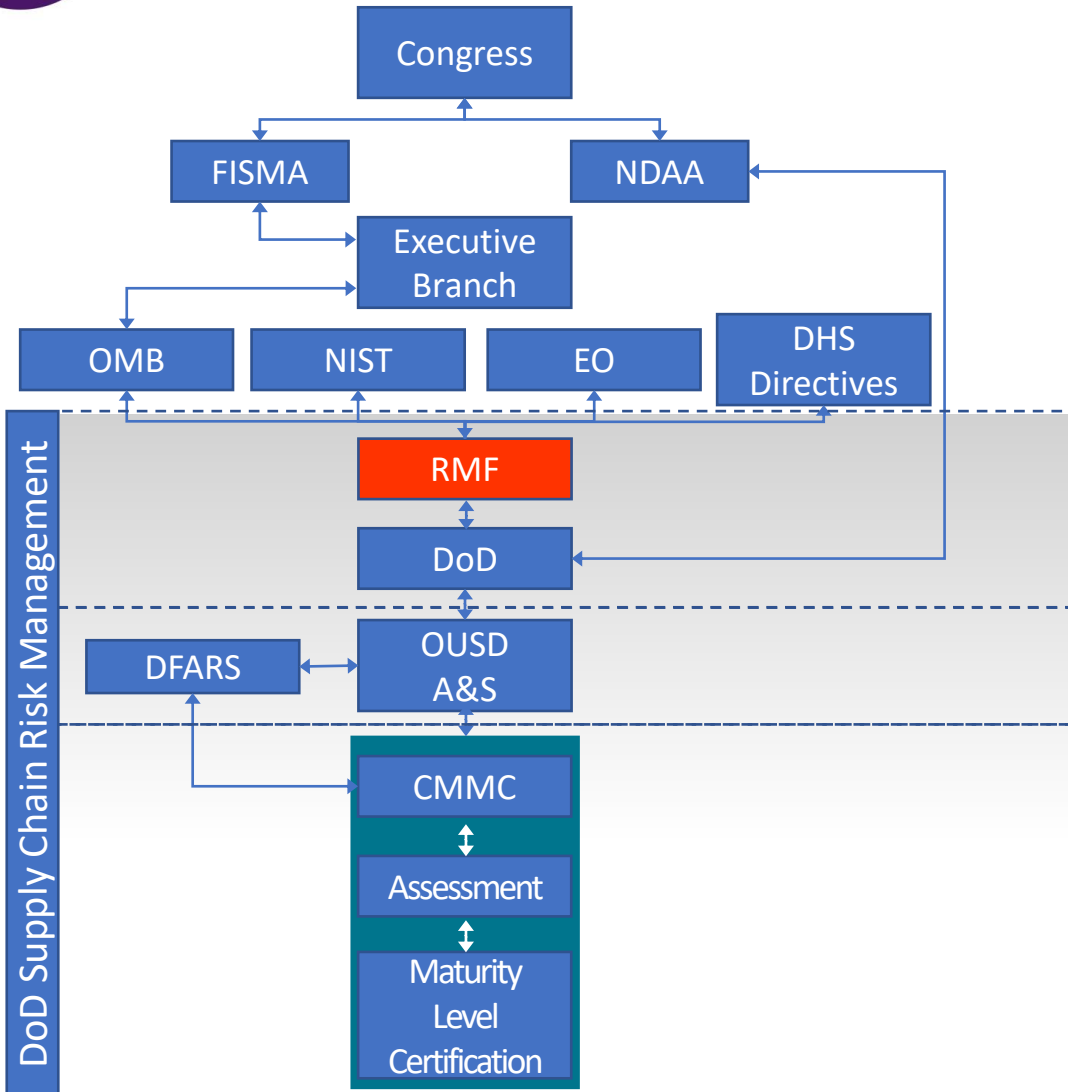
- Existing regulation requires compliance to DFARS and FAR regulation.
- Regulation requires flow down of CUI protection.
- False Claims Act (FCA)⁸ – Self attestation to DFARS 252.204-7012, CMMC assessment and accreditation.

Implementation

- CMMC will require the deployment of NIST 800 – 171, as required under by DFARS 252.204-7012.
- DFARS and protection of CUI flows down the global supply chain.
- CMMC maturity levels

CMMC will be a contractual requirement with independent assessment and certification to NIST 800 – 171 and CMMC practices.

DoD Supply Chain Risk Management (SCRM)



Reducing cyber risk across the DoD supply chain through the implementation of the Risk management framework and CMMC

- The DoD is a risk owner with clearly defined responsibilities for the evaluation and management of inherent and residual risk profile under its control.
- OUSD A&S manages supply chain risk on behalf of the DoD through the DoD procurement process & DFARS.
- OUSD A&S uses the DFARS process to regulate and effect change across the US DoD DIB.
- Developing the CMMC programme to embed cyber security practices into the DIB.
- Reducing the inherent supply chain cyber risks through mandated NIST (SP) 800 – 1717 and CMMC security practices.



Adopting the Risk Management Framework to reduce supply chain risk



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