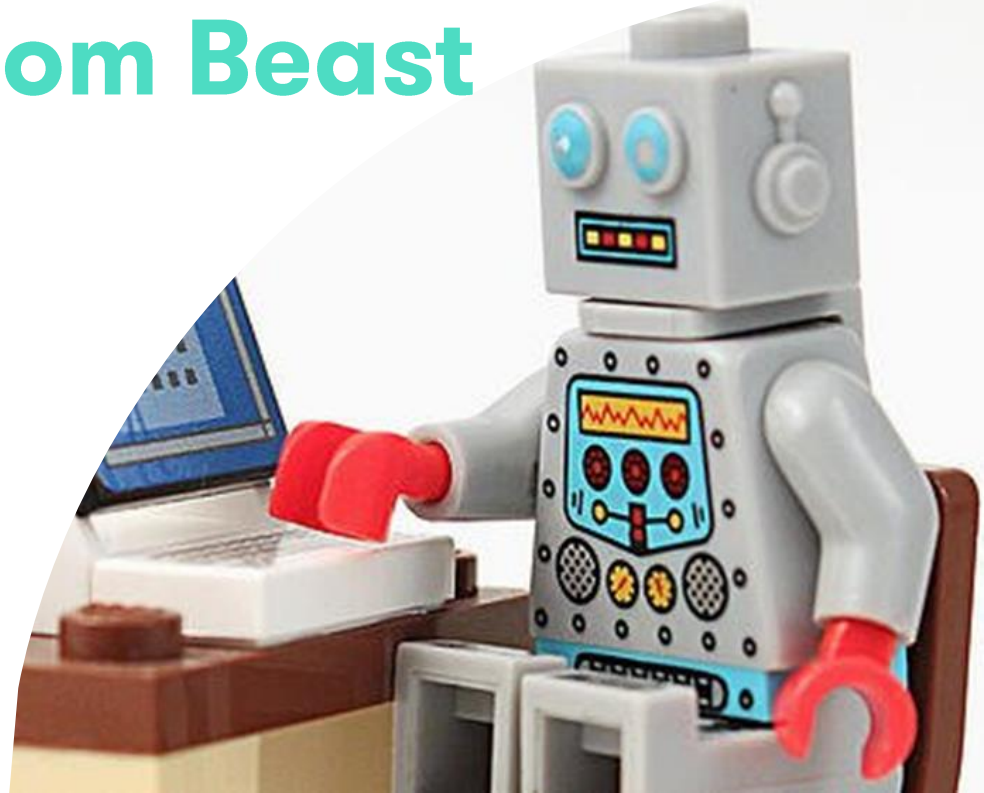
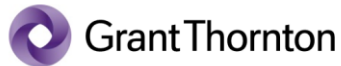


Cyber Security

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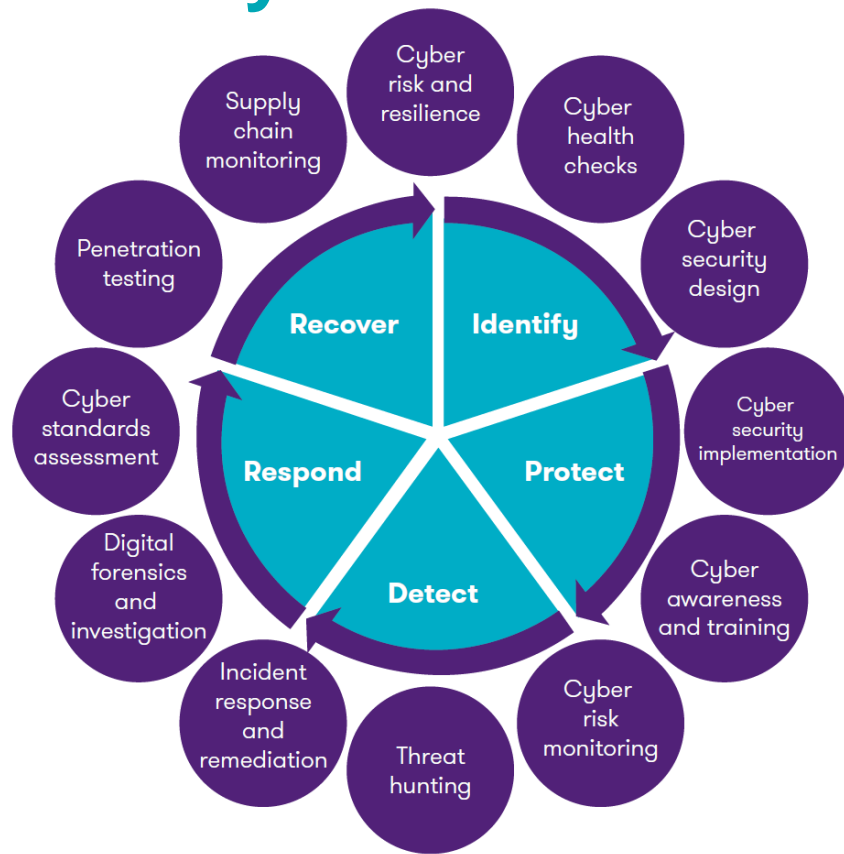
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The Best Defence is a Good Offence

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↑ 44%

2021-3 (40%)

Cyber incidents

(e.g. cyber crime, IT failure/
outage, data breaches, fines
and penalties)



3

↑ 25%

2021-6 (17%)

Natural catastrophes

(e.g. storm, flood,
earthquake, wildfire,
weather events)



2

↓ 42%

2021-1 (41%)

Business interruption

(incl. supply chain disruption)

Allianz Risk Barometer 2022

Preparing for Crisis

In Summary:

The Evolving Cyber Threat Landscape



Ransomware
increasing in
number and
complexity



Business
interruption
cost increasing



Changing
workplace &
Covid impact
increasing



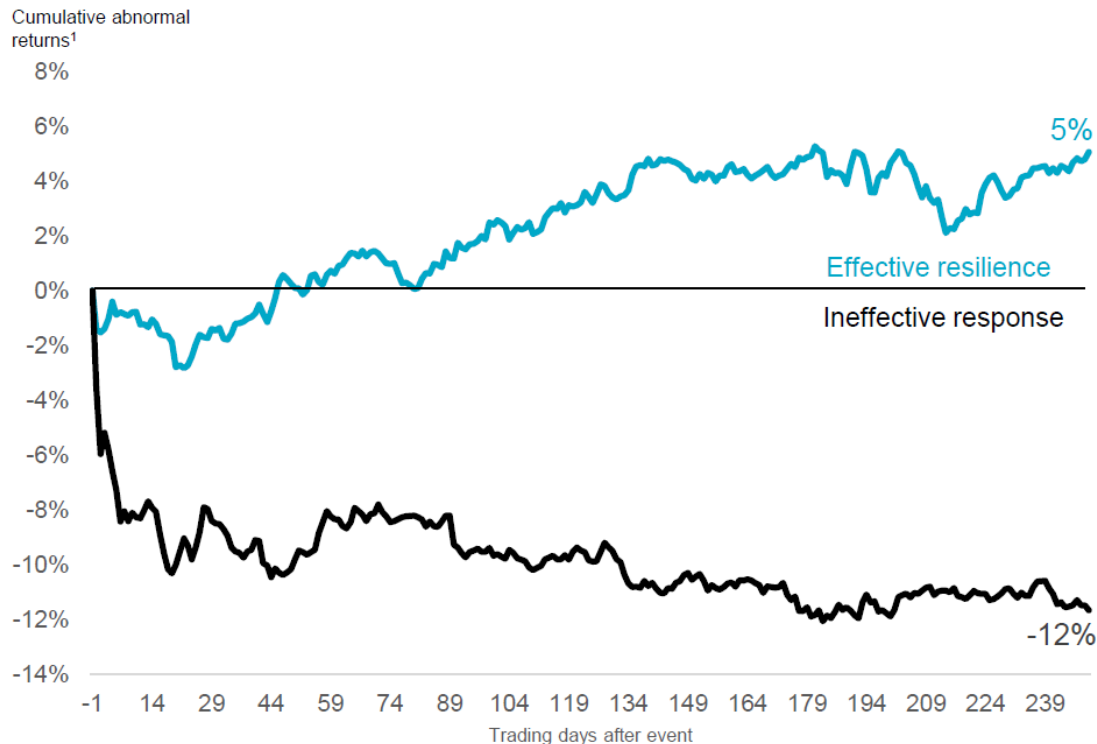
Cyber
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increasing



Brand impact
increasing

The Cost of Recovery:

Factors leading to a successful crisis

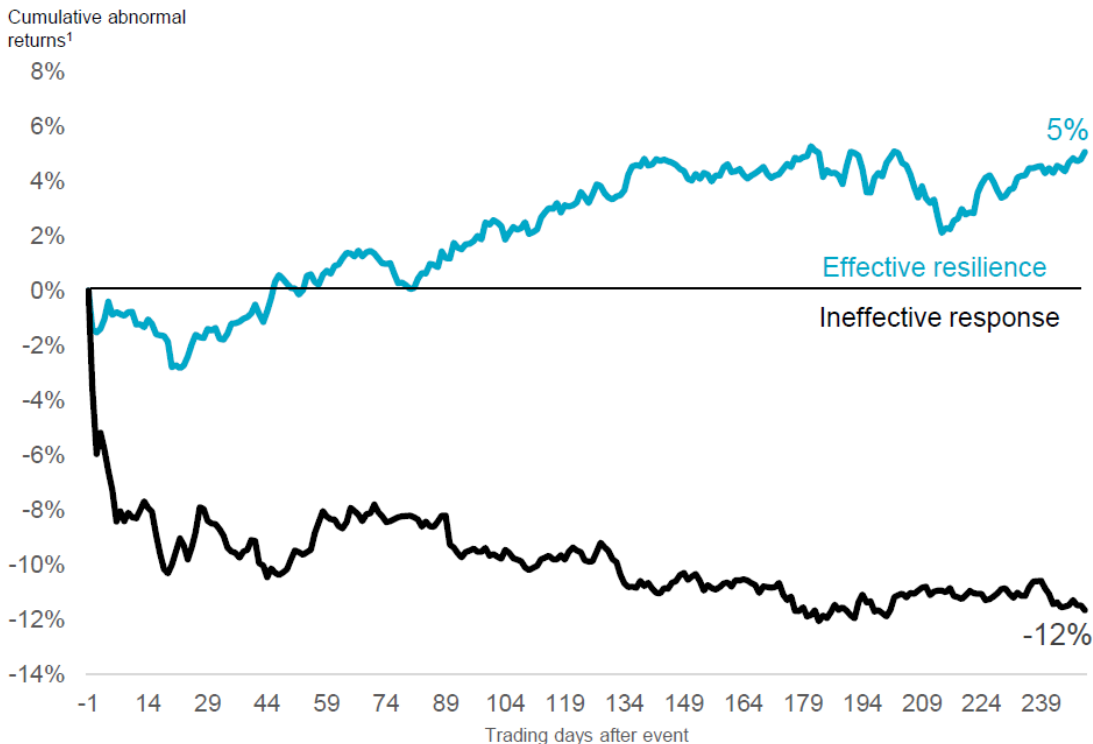


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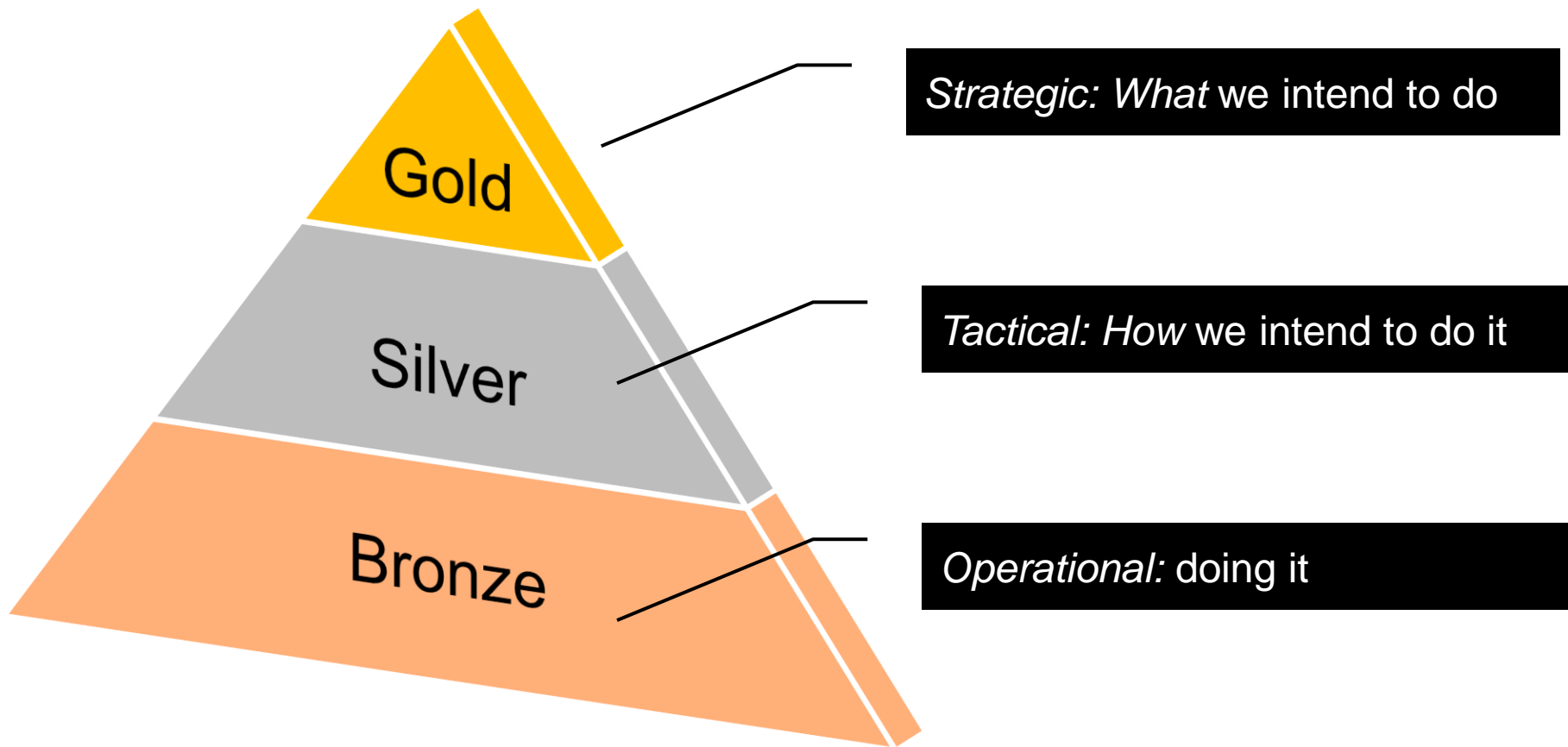
The Hardest Question to Answer?

Comms Damage Control

- *“How long did you know about it before you decided to do something?”*
- *“If you had acted sooner, could this crisis have been avoided?”*
- *“If you didn’t know that something was wrong, why not?”*
- *“Isn’t it your job to know about potential crises?”*
- *“If you did know about it, why didn’t you act earlier?”*
- *The Charity Commission*



Emergency Response Team Structure



Remember

Everyone has a plan
until they get punched
in the face





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Staying Safe

Hints and Tips

Staying Secure



- **Phishing Attacks & Scams**
 - train staff to be alert
 - spelling errors, change of bank account etc
 - control websites they can access
 - use virus killers and malware scanners
 - change passwords if anything suspicious occurs
 - consider two factor authentication



Staying Secure



- **Your Mobile Workforce**

- encrypt mobiles / laptops where possible
- enable password / fingerprint controls
- use mobile device management to wipe devices
- keep devices patched
- keep an inventory and alert for lost devices
- change passwords regularly, but not too often



Staying Secure



- **Monitor and Limit Malware Damage**
 - use virus killers and malware scanners
 - use effective firewalls (change passwords!)
 - control apps that can be installed
 - patch regularly (software & firmware)
 - use endpoint protection / block USB sticks
 - use Mobile Device Management tools
 - use VPNs where possible





Staying Secure

- **Backup your data and BCP**
 - identify your sensitive and valuable data
 - backup (in a separate location) necessary data
 - consider use of cloud infrastructure
 - ensure all data is encrypted (cloud and local)
 - check your networks: not too connected
 - test your protocols – **assume the worst**



The hardest question to answer...

How long did you know, and what did you do about it?

- 1) The speed of response is critical in ensuring you recover quickly and protect your reputation.
- 2) The moment you respond is the moment your rebuild begins
- 3) No-one knows everything on day one
- 4) Ensure you have functioning crisis response team and clear chain of command
- 5) You are not alone: know your insurance policies, and who to bring in externally to assist (IT resource, legal support, communications support).

