Business managers in the Nordic and Benelux countries see IT security as more than a necessary cost: Digital trust is built on an IT security paradigm incomparable with a traditional “moat and castle” perimeter protection. New approaches and new technologies must be embraced to safeguard the digital business of tomorrow.

Security executives struggle to improve IT security capabilities due to:

- The IT security function is a driver of competitive advantage or differentiation.
- The IT security function is an enabler of business efficiency.
- Managing internal security risk is the most widespread security operations priority in organisations in the Nordics and Benelux regions.

According to Nordic and Benelux IT security executives, the top 3 requirements are:

1. Establishing zero trust requires new technologies.
2. New technologies must manage user and device access – but users’ privileges.
3. The hybrid environment requires organisations to securely leverage public cloud, on-premise resource and edge components.
4. User privileges must be dynamically managed to build digital trust.

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LEVERAGE NEW TECHNOLOGIES TO BUILD DIGITAL TRUST

Digital trust is built on an intangible security paradigm, where “trust is earned”, proactive protections, and a lack of exploitable vulnerabilities are emphasized to safeguard the digital business of tomorrow.

A NEW APPROACH TO SECURITY IS NEEDED

Security executives struggle to improve IT security capabilities due to:

- The difficulty in balancing security with business productivity priorities.
- A lack of understanding by management of IT security.
- Users adopting cloud resources and “shadow IT”.
- There being too many legacy systems.

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MANAGING PRIVILEGES IS ESSENTIAL FOR ZERO TRUST

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- Zero Trust must replace "moat and castle" to deal with internal threats.

The table below provides a summary of the findings:

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