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Rafal Rohozinski is the founder and CEO of the SecDev Group, a Canadian-based global consultancy specializing in cyber-risk. He is a senior fellow for Future Conflict & CyberSecurity at the International Institute for Strategic Studies (UK). Prior to founding SecDev, Rafal's career spanned 37 countries, in the former Soviet Union, the Middle East, and Africa advising governments, corporations and international organizations on managing cyber risk, and developing corporate and national cybersecurity strategies. In academia, Rafal served as the director of the Advanced Network Research Group at the University of Cambridge and is the author and contributor to numerous publications, including "Stuxnet and in the future of Cyber War" and "Tracking Ghostnet", the first evidence-based investigation of a dedicated cyber-espionage network. Since 2006, Rohozinski has led an track 1.5 engagement with the Russian government on cyber security/cyber warfare issues, and is a co-convenor expert on the Russia China US trilateral working group on cyber warfare and cyber stability, and as a member of the World Bank expert group on global Digital Economy. Rafal's work with the corporate sector includes providing high-value advisory and cybersecurity response services to clients in the financial, healthcare, and defence sector and core faculty on the Columbia University/ G100 executive course on cybersecurity for company directors and chief executive officers. Building on his work with Columbia

University he is also developing a digital readiness index that can be used by corporations to help understand and manage risk.

Rafal currently serves on the executive boards of the Canadian International Council, Canadian Association of Defense and Security Industries, and the UN Counter Terrorism Executive Directorate program on Internet and Terrorism. Previously he served as the Chair of the advisory board of the Estonian E-Governance Academy and as adjunct faculty at US Joint Special Operations University. Rafal is an active commentator on cyber security issues, and his work has been featured in newspapers, television, and radio shows, including the New York Times, BBC, Globe and Mail, CBC, CNN, Al Jazeera, WIRED, and the Financial Times.