

Operational Technology (OT) Cybersecurity Conference 2026

Time	Event	Topic	Speaker(s)
08:30 – 09:00		Registration + Exhibition	
09:00 – 09:10	***Introduction & Welcome***	Opening by Cyber Ireland OTSig Chairperson	**Pat Larkin**, Cyber Ireland OTSig Chairperson
09:10 - 09:40	***Session 1*** ***The Threat to Irish Critical Infrastructure***	**Morning Keynote** When Cyber Becomes Physical: Critical Infrastructure, Cascading Risk and National Resilience	**Mark Mellett**, DSM, PhD Vice Admiral (Rtd) Former Chief of Staff of Irish Defence Forces
09:40 - 10:00		Energy Sector Incident Report – 29 December 2025: Destructive cyberattack against Polish energy infrastructure	**Michał Dondajewski** CSIRT Collaboration Development Senior Specialist CERT Poland
10:00 – 10:20		Establishing an OT Cybersecurity Programme Across Iarnród Éireann & Rosslare EuroPort in Support of NIS 2 Compliance	**Maura Solan** Head of Cyber Security Iarnród Éireann / Irish Rail
10:20 – 10:50		**Panel Discussion** What if Irish Critical Infrastructure were under attack?	**Moderator**: Edel O'Shea **Panelists**: Mark Mellett, Michał Dondajewski, Maura Solan
10:50 – 11:20		Tea Break + Exhibition	
11:20 – 11:40	***Session 2*** ***Exploitation, Malicious AI & Systemic Disruption***	OT Security Through an Attacker's Eyes: Lessons from Hacking Energy Companies.	**Shawn Duffy** Founder Rath Meridian
11:40 - 12:00		Cybersecurity Operational Resilience - within Oil & Gas & Deepwater Offshore Assets	**Peter Culbert** Senior Cybersecurity Assessor OPEX Performance
12:00 - 12:20		AI Red Teaming: Frontier AI Testing in OT Environments	**Hatteras Hoops** OT Security Delivery Lead for Europe Booz Allen Hamilton
12:20 - 12:40		The ICS Security Control Plane: Reducing OT Exposure	**Neeraj Thakur** Director Cybersecurity Deloitte Ireland
12:40 – 14:00		Lunch & Exhibition	
14:00 – 14:20	***Session 3*** ***Engineering-Led Resilience in OT Security***	**Afternoon Keynote** Increasing Resilience – Building OT Security That Is Stronger Than IT	**Andrew Ginter** VP Industrial Security Waterfall Security Solutions
14:20 – 14:40		Cyber Security or Just Good Engineering? Have We Been Solving the Wrong Problem?	**Lee Carter** Cyber Security Product Manager SolutionsPT
14:40 – 15:00		From CVE to Work Order: AI Workflows for OT Vulnerability Remediation	**Matthieu Gallon** Advisory Solution Consultant – OT Cybersecurity ServiceNow
15:00 – 15:20		**Panel Discussion** Good Engineering: Architecting Control Systems That Cannot Fail	**Moderator:** Finbar Jackson **Panelists:** Andrew Ginter, Lee Carter, Matthieu Gallon
15:20 – 15:50		Tea Break & Exhibition	
15:50 – 16:10	***Session 4*** ***Navigating Mandates, Risk & Organisational Silos***	Navigating NIS2, CER, and CRA across Operational Technology An update from the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC)	**Elizabeth Keogh** National Cyber Security Centre NCSC-IE
16:10 – 16:30		Practical Lessons Learned from Implementing NIS2: From Compliance Requirements to Operational Security	**Jahangir Riaz** Information Security & Data Privacy Officer TRATON Group R&D
16:30 – 16:50		OT Security lessons learned developing and implementing multi-year OT Security Remediations across CNI aligned to Regulatory Compliance.	**Liam O'Connor** Director Cyber Security Accenture
16:50 – 17:10		One Business, Two Silos: Why IT and OT Still See Only Half the Picture	**Paddy Lange** Co-Founder Resilium
17:10 – 17:30	Closing	Summary, Closing Comments and Raffle Prize Giving	**Pat Larkin,** Cyber Ireland OTSig Chairperson