

WALK THE LINE



Balancing Risk and Innovation

SUMMIT 2026

WHAT IS SUMMIT?

Walk the Line: Balancing Risk and Innovation

For nineteen years, the Shared Assessments community has gathered the industry's most dedicated practitioners and boldest thinkers to tackle the risks and opportunities reshaping our world. Across sectors, teams are navigating uncharted territory—accelerating technology, rising expectations, and a risk landscape that shifts with every new decision.

The 2026 Summit in Nashville brings this community together again to compare insights, challenge assumptions, and find a shared rhythm between innovation and dependable risk management.

Expect candid conversation, practical takeaways, and an environment that helps leaders stay in tune even when the tempo picks up.

- AI Risk
- Operational Resilience
- Cyber Leadership
- TPRM Strategy
- Metrics & Reporting
- Vendor Breach Response
- Maturity Benchmarking
- Risk Governance
- Critical Third Parties
- Cloud Security
- Emerging Threats
- Incident Response
- Program Automation
- Decision-Making Models
- Regulatory Alignment
- Ecosystem Resilience
- Peer Collaboration
- Third-Party Oversight

THE VENUE

Your All Access Pass To Nashville

Join us in the heart of Music City and create lasting risk management memories at the Grand Hyatt Nashville. Immerse yourself in Nashville's iconic live music scene, explore Broadway and the vibrant downtown, and unwind with rooftop views of the skyline. This is your front-row seat to the city that never stops playing!

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GONNA BE A BIG STAR

CTPRP and CTPRA Certification Bootcamps

Gain hands-on training in third-party risk management by attending the CTPRP or CTPRA Certification Bootcamp onsite the day before Summit. These globally recognized programs provide the essential knowledge, frameworks, and skills needed to build, assess, and advance effective TPRM programs.

Learn how to identify, evaluate, and validate third-party risks using industry-standard tools and practices. Whether you're deepening foundational expertise or sharpening advanced assessment techniques, the Bootcamps align directly with the strategic and practical discussions taking place at the Summit.

Join a community of certified professionals and TPRM leaders who are shaping resilient, risk-aware organizations. Participants leave the Summit and Bootcamps with expanded networks, strengthened capabilities, and credentials that support long-term career growth.

****CTPRP and CTPRA Bootcamp Certification Courses hosted by the Shared Assessments Education Division. Separate registration required.***



SETTING THE STAGE

Pre-Conference Day, Tuesday, March 17

7:30 AM	Registration & Breakfast Service for Certification Bootcamps <i>Start your Summit experience early with a relaxed registration and breakfast service designed for certification attendees. This morning check-in provides time to settle in, connect with fellow practitioners, and prepare for a full day of focused learning. Light breakfast and refreshments will be available to support a productive start before bootcamp sessions begin.</i>
8:30 AM–4:30 PM	CTPRP Certification Bootcamps – All Day (8:30am to 4:30pm) <u>Separate Registration Required</u> <i>The pre-conference Certification Bootcamps offer an immersive, full-day learning experience for professionals seeking to strengthen their foundation in Third-Party Risk Management.</i> Instructor: Elizabeth Dunsmoor, TPRM Principal, Shared Assessments
8:30 AM–6:00 PM	CTPRA Certification Bootcamps – All Day (8:30am to 6:00pm) <u>Separate Registration Required</u> <i>The pre-conference Certification Bootcamps offer an immersive, full-day learning experience for professionals seeking to strengthen their foundation in Third-Party Risk Management.</i> Instructor: Nasser Fattah, Senior Advisor, Shared Assessments
12:30–1:00 PM	Lunch Service for Certification Bootcamps <i>Lunch will be provided for pre-conference session attendees, offering a natural pause in the day to recharge and connect with peers. This shared meal creates space for informal discussion, networking, and reflection before afternoon sessions resume.</i>
2:00–4:30 PM	By Invitation Only: Shared Assessments Advisory Board Meeting
6:00–7:30 PM	Walk the Line Summit Kickoff Reception <i>Kick off the 2026 US Summit with an evening designed to bring the community together.</i> <i>The “Walk the Line” Kickoff Reception is a relaxed, welcoming space to reconnect with colleagues, meet new peers, and set the tone for the days ahead. Enjoy drinks, light bites, and conversation as we gather practitioners from across industries and experience levels – all united by a shared commitment to advancing third-party risk management.</i> 

THE MAIN EVENT

Summit Day One: Wednesday, March 18

TIME	ACTIVITY	SPEAKERS
7:30–8:55 AM	Open Registration & Breakfast Service	The Risk Roundabout (Sponsored by Our Committees Team) Will Be Open for Business During Breakfast – Drop In! <i>(See more session details in the lunch description)</i>
8:55–9:05 AM	Welcome & Opening Remarks	Andrew Moyad, CEO, Shared Assessments
9:05–9:35 AM	Keynote Speaker: <i>Geopolitics and Implications for Global Business</i>	Evelyn Farkas, Executive Director, McCain Institute at Arizona State University
9:35–10:25 AM	Panel: Walk the Line: Balancing Risk and Innovation <i>As organizations accelerate innovation, Third Party Risk leaders are increasingly asked to enable progress while maintaining resilience, compliance, and trust. This panel explores how experienced practitioners make risk based decisions when the best answer is unclear.</i>	Moderator: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Moyad, CEO, Shared Assessments Panel: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jesse Lee, Co-Founder & CEO, Brooklyn Solutions Neema Wasira-Johnson, Founder & CEO, Asili Advisory Group Zaid A. Zaid, Senior Advisor, Orange Court Strategies
10:25–10:55 AM	Shared Assessments Marketplace Demos The Shared Assessments Marketplace (SAM) brings together the strength of our community to support member-to-member connections and showcase valuable offerings for our members and subscribers. From innovative technologies to trusted services, SAM is "by members, for members," driving engagement and opportunity across our risk management community.	Learn More about the Shared Assessments Marketplace: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agency Cybersecurity Certa Process Unity Responsive AI
10:55–11:25 AM	Exhibitor Networking Break	
11:25–12:15 PM	Panel: Risk, Realities, & Governance: Everything You Need to Know About AI <i>AI is already embedded in third party ecosystems, often faster than governance models can mature. This session offers a practical, end to end view of AI risk through the lens of Third Party Risk Management. Designed for leaders seeking clarity rather than hype, this discussion emphasizes tradeoffs, lessons learned, and actionable entry points.</i>	Moderator: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chris Johnson, Senior Advisor, Shared Assessments Panel: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Josh Harguess, Founder & CTO, Fire Mountain Labs Diana Kelley, CISO, Noma Security Troy Leach, CSO, Cloud Security Alliance
12:15–12:45 PM	Keynote Speaker: One Framework to Rule Them All- And Bring Them into Alignment	Bob Maley, Chief Security Officer, Black Kite

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Networking Lunch & The Risk Roundabout with Senior Advisors

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1:45–2:45 PM	Sponsored Breakout Sessions (Round One) Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certa: Brian Shaw, Vice President, Head of North America • Process Unity: Ed Thomas, Senior Vice President of Sales and Marketing Operations • Cranium: Jonathan Dambrot, CEO • Vanta: Jordan Dominguez, Senior Product Manager 	Gold Sponsor Breakouts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certa: <i>TPRM by Exception: Managing Risk With AI—and From AI</i> • ProcessUnity: <i>Hyper TPRM: Rethinking Third-Party Risk for Scale, Speed, and Confidence</i> • Cranium: <i>Beyond the Point-in-Time: Scaling Trust with Dynamic & Continuous AI Third-Party Assurance</i> • Vanta: <i>From Questionnaire Fatigue to Continuous Trust: Rethinking Modern TPRM</i>
2:45–3:00 PM	Transition Between Breakouts	
3:00–4:00 PM	Sponsored Breakout Sessions (Round Two) Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certa: Brian Shaw, Vice President, Head of North America • Process Unity: Ed Thomas, Senior Vice President of Sales and Marketing Operations • Cranium: Jonathan Dambrot, CEO • Vanta: Jordan Dominguez, Senior Product Manager 	Gold Sponsor Breakouts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certa: <i>TPRM by Exception: Managing Risk With AI—and From AI</i> • ProcessUnity: <i>Hyper TPRM: Rethinking Third-Party Risk for Scale, Speed, and Confidence</i> • Cranium: <i>Beyond the Point-in-Time: Scaling Trust with Dynamic & Continuous AI Third-Party Assurance</i> • Vanta: <i>From Questionnaire Fatigue to Continuous Trust: Rethinking Modern TPRM</i>
4:00–4:30 PM	Exhibitor Networking Break	
4:30–5:00 PM	SIG Evolution (SIG EV): From Excel to Everywhere <i>You asked and we listened—get excited for what’s next with SIG EV! SIG Evolution represents a significant shift in how organizations assess and scale third party risk, shaped directly by member input and operational realities.</i>	Main Stage Announcements
5:00–6:30 PM	Day One Networking Reception—Sponsored by Silver Sponsor BITSIGHT <i>Join us for our US Summit Networking Reception—designed for relaxed conversation and meaningful connections with peers, speakers, and fellow practitioners across the TPRM community. Unwind after a full day of sessions while continuing conversations, meeting new contacts, and strengthening the relationships that make Shared Assessments events so valuable. Cheers to a strong start in Nashville!</i>	

On Your Own Time—Events & Attractions

Spend the evening between Day One and Day Two exploring the city! Browse the [Events & Attractions Links](#) on the Grand Hyatt Nashville’s website for excellent recommendations within walking distance.

Get ready to experience Music City by:

- **Listening in:** Music is woven into daily life here, from legendary stages to unexpected sidewalk sessions.
- **Looking back:** Explore a rich and complex history shaped by pivotal moments, from the Civil War to the civil rights movement and beyond.
- **Digging in:** Enjoy a vibrant dining scene, including James Beard Award–winning restaurants that are redefining what Southern food can be.

THE MAIN EVENT

Summit Day Two: Thursday, March 19

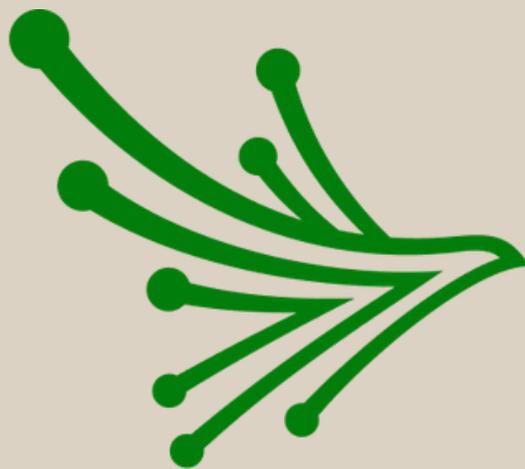
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8:30-8:45 AM	Welcome & Opening Remarks with Andrew Moyad, CEO, Shared Assessments–and our Silver Sponsor!	Silver Sponsor: BITSIGHT Evan Tegethoff, VP, Solutions Engineering
8:45-9:35 AM	Panel: Building the Agile Program: Adapting TPRM to Shifting U.S. and Global Regulatory Tides <i>Regulatory expectations are changing faster than many programs can adapt and are sometimes rolled back just as quickly. This session focuses on how to design TPRM programs that remain effective amid ongoing regulatory uncertainty and emphasizes judgment, prioritization, and the distinction between compliance requirements and effective risk management.</i>	Moderator: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Moyad, CEO, Shared Assessments Panel: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> David O'Connor, Director Information Security Governance, Risk, and Compliance, Iron Mountain Dave Stapleton, Chief Trust Officer, Process Unity Munish Walther-Puri, Head of Critical Digital Infrastructure, TPO Group and IANS Research Neema Wasira-Johnson, Founder & CISO, Asili Advisory Group
9:35-10:05 AM	Keynote Speaker: "Major League" Risk Management In An AI-enhanced Era	Nick Geyer, Sr. Technical Product Marketing Manager, OneTrust
10:05 AM	Day Two Orientation & Raffles <i>Day Two offers a flexible, choose-your-own-path experience. The Summit will split into two concurrent tracks: a Thought Leadership Track and a Practitioner Track. Attendees are encouraged to self-select sessions based on their interests and priorities within the TPRM ecosystem.</i>	Andrew Moyad, CEO, Shared Assessments
10:05-10:35 AM	Exhibitor Networking Break	
10:35-11:25 AM	The Thought Leadership & Practitioner Tracks TL: Operational Resilience in Action: Aligning TPRM and Business Continuity for Third-Party Disruption <i>Operational resilience depends as much on third parties as it does on internal preparedness, but most organizations still struggle to connect TPRM and Business Continuity efforts. This session explores the critical "two-step" required between third-party risk teams and resiliency leaders. his session explores how third-party risk teams partner with operational resilience and continuity leaders to align vendor criticality, validate recovery expectations (RTO/RPO), and strengthen response planning for real-world disruptions.</i> P: How to Work With What You've Got When All You've Got Is You <i>Most TPRM programs operate under ongoing resource constraints, from limited staff to tightening budgets. This practitioner-led session explores how teams define realistic success, prioritize effectively, and build credibility with internal stakeholders. Panelists will share practical strategies for expanding impact, advocating for resources, and sustaining momentum without expanding headcount.</i>	Thought Leadership Track Moderator: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elizabeth Dunsmoor, TPRM Principal, Shared Assessments Panel: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tom Garrubba, Chief Commercial & Partnership Officer Co-Founder, FusionAlrre Brian Katula, Director of Operational Resilience, Global Resilience Federation (GRF) Courtney Turner, Enterprise Third Party Risk Manager, John Deere Practitioner Track Moderator: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sheria Williams, TPRM Principal, Shared Assessments Panel: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eylem Alper, President, BraunWeiss Matthew Ridenhour, Senior Manager, Compliance Operations, UKG Alexei Saba, Senior Manager, Third Party Risk, McKinsey & Company

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11:25–11:30 AM	Transition Between Breakouts	
11:30 AM–12:20 PM	<p>Concurrent Sessions: The Thought Leadership & Practitioner Tracks</p> <p>TL: Supply Chain Resilience in Times of Uncertainty <i>Global supply chains are increasingly shaped by geopolitical, economic, and policy forces that challenge traditional risk models. This session explores how these dynamics translate into real third-party risk impacts, from regional instability to regulatory and trade disruptions. Panelists will share how TPRM programs are adjusting assessments, monitoring, and supplier engagement to remain resilient amid ongoing uncertainty.</i></p> <p>P: Shared Responsibility in the Cloud: Who Owns the Risk <i>Cloud computing has blurred traditional lines of accountability between organizations and their third parties. This session examines how shared responsibility models work in practice, where they most often break down, and how teams can clarify responsibilities, strengthen oversight, and respond when providers push risk outside their scope.</i></p>	<p>Thought Leadership Track Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elizabeth Dunsmoor, TPRM Principal, Shared Assessments <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Philip Bennett, AVP Cyber Governance, Communications & Reporting, Navy Federal Credit Union • Trony Clifton, Director Cyber Third Party Governance, Information Security Division • Scott McMichael, SVP of Information Security and Head of Third Party Risk Management and Cyber Governance, Live Oak Bank <p>Practitioner Track Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nasser Fattah, Senior Advisor, Shared Assessments <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jill Henriques, GRC GTM Subject Matter Expert, Vanta • John Yeoh, Chief Scientific Officer, Cloud Security Alliance (CSA) • Zaid A. Zaid, Senior Advisor, Orange Court Strategies
12:20–12:25 PM	Transition Between Breakouts	
12:25–1:15 PM	<p>Concurrent Sessions: The Thought Leadership Track & The Practitioner Track</p> <p>TL: Emerging Technologies, Emerging Threats: How AI and Quantum Are Redefining Risk <i>AI and quantum computing are accelerating change across third-party ecosystems, challenging assumptions about security, data protection, and control effectiveness. This session examines how these technologies are reshaping risk exposure and where traditional TPRM approaches may fall short.</i></p> <p>P: These Boots Were Made for Walking: The Cost of a Messy Exit <i>Vendor exits can create lasting risk if not managed effectively. This session explores the operational, reputational, and data impacts of poor offboarding and highlights practical lessons for strengthening contracts, transition plans, and governance.</i></p>	<p>Thought Leadership Track Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Johnson, Senior Advisor, Shared Assessments <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jonathan Dambrot, CEO & Co-Founder, Cranium AI • Konstantinos Karagiannis, Director Quantum Computing Services, Protiviti, Inc. • Brian Shaw, Vice President, Head of North America, Certa <p>Practitioner Track Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rhonda K.R. Cook, Senior Advisor, Shared Assessments <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michael Berman, Chief Executive Officer, Ncontracts • Susan Brindle, VP, Sourcing & Vendor Mgmt, F&G Annuities & Life • Debra Zoppy, Head of Third Party Risk, Guardian Life Insurance Company of America

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<p style="text-align: center;">2:30–4:00 PM</p>	<p>SIG Evolution (SIG EV): Interactive Demo & Q&A Lab <i>Step inside SIG Evolution in this live, hands-on demo session. See how the web-based platform preserves the trusted SIG methodology while modernizing how assessments are created, distributed, reviewed, and scored. We'll walk through key functionality, highlight what's new (and what hasn't changed), and discuss how SIG EV fits alongside your existing TPRM or GRC tools. Bring your questions–this interactive lab is designed for practical conversation and real-world application.</i></p>	<p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike Baker, Software Developer, Shared Assessments • Sheetal Chaudhari, Senior Software Engineer, Shared Assessments • Katie Dorkings, Director of Sales, Shared Assessments • Corinne Johnson, Sales Manager, Shared Assessments
<p style="text-align: center;">2:30–4:00 PM</p>	<p>TPRM Navigator: Peer Benchmarking & Maturity Mapping (Guided Roundtable) <i>Participants will begin with an abbreviated TPRM maturity self assessment guided by the VRMMM's 8 Domains using their laptop or tablet, followed by expert facilitated roundtables to compare results and explore shared challenges. The session will unpack how to evaluate and rate your program with greater consistency and confidence, supported by peer benchmarking and structured discussion. Attendees will leave with actionable insights and practical guidance to strengthen and advance their own TPRM program. Please bring a laptop or tablet to fully participate.</i></p>	<p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrew D'Angelo, Director, Protiviti Inc. • Elizabeth Dunsmoor, TPRM Principal, Shared Assessments • Jennifer Hancock, Senior Vice President, Professional Development & Education, Shared Assessments • Paul Kooney, Managing Director, Protiviti Inc.
<p style="text-align: center;">2:30–4:00 PM</p>	<p>The Incident Shot Clock: A Response Simulation – <i>In this 90-minute interactive simulation, participants will navigate the first several phases of an incident affecting core services and external dependencies. Through timed injects and guided decision questions, attendees will work through incident identification, triage, and response prioritization. Participants will also navigate communications and legal constraints while weighing recovery vs. resilience tradeoffs under the added friction of vendor reliance. The session is designed to build shared understanding across functions and uncover at which points governance, response planning and dependency mapping break down under pressure. Please bring your laptop or notebook.</i></p>	<p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christopher Denning, Chief Security Officer & Director of Business Resilience, Global Resilience Federation (GRF) • Brian Katula, Director of Operational Resilience, Global Resilience Federation (GRF) • Andrew Moyad, CEO, Shared Assessments • David O'Connor, Director Information Security Governance, Risk, and Compliance, Iron Mountain

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