



ISO 27001
Information Security Management Systems (ISMS)

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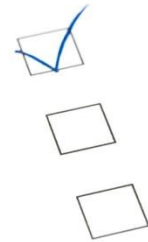
AGENDA

1 What is Information Security?

2 What is ISO 27001?

3 Define the Scope

4 Risk Management



What is Information Security?

Question:

What is the most important asset in your organization?

INFORMATION

What is Information?

Information is an “Asset”, that like any other important business asset, that has a critical value to the organization and thus needs to be adequately protected.

Information can exist in “ANY” form:

- **Electronic** – email, data stored, websites, etc.
- **Physical** – paper files, cd, photos, USB drive, etc.
- **Verbal** – phone conversations, in-person conversations, meetings,
- **Knowledge** – employee knowledge (in their heads)
- **Other?**

Information has 3 main attributes:

✓ **Confidentiality**

The property that information is not made available or disclosed to unauthorized individuals, entities, or processes

✓ **Integrity**

The property of safeguarding the accuracy and completeness of assets

✓ **Availability**

The property of being accessible and usable upon demand by an authorized entity

**The importance of each component varies from organization to organization!*

How do we define Information Security?

“The preservation of confidentiality, integrity and availability (CIA) of information in any form.”

In addition, other properties such as authenticity, accountability, non-repudiation and reliability may also be involved.

[ISO/IEC 27002:2005]

Information security management is a **management** process NOT a technical process!

It's all about **managing**

- People
- Processes
- Assets
- Risks
- ...

From an information security management perspective, technology is a control (anti-virus, firewalls, IPS, etc.) we put in place to mitigate risk,not the opposite!

Practicing information security is often an unorganized, reactive and a bottom up approach.

Practicing Information Security (Reactive):

- No Management Commitment
- No information asset inventory
- No risk assessment
- No way to evaluate or prioritize risk
- No way to evaluate if controls are adequate
- No metrics
- No improvement
- Compliance???

Managing information security is an organized, proactive and top down process approach!

Managing Information Security (Proactive):

- Requires Management Commitment
- Defined Scope and boundaries of the ISMS
- Information asset inventory
- Risk assessment
- Selection of controls based on risk / Prioritization
- Metrics to monitor control maturity
- Continuous improvement cycle
- Measured Compliance
- Reasonable Assurance to Interested Parties (stakeholders)

What is ISO 27001?

Management Systems

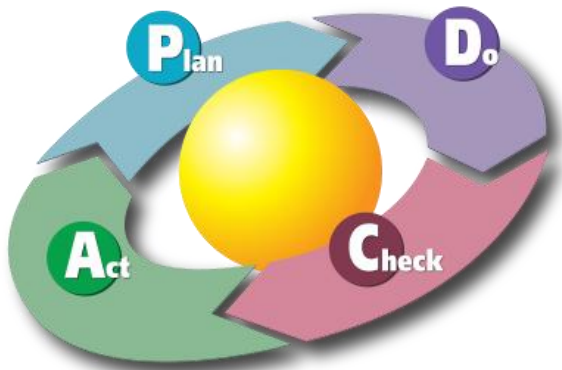
“A **management system** is the framework of processes and procedures used to ensure that an organization can fulfill all tasks required to achieve its objectives.”

ISO Guide 72

- ISO 9001 – Quality Management System (QMS)
- ISO 14001 – Environmental Management System (EMS)
- ISO 20000 – IT Services Management System (ITSMS)
- **ISO 27001 – Information Security Management System (ISMS)**
- ISO 22301 – Business Continuity Management System (BCMS)
- ISO 22000 – Food Safety Management System
- OHSAS 18001 – Health & Safety Management System
- *Others*

PDCA model (Dr. W. Edwards Deming)

All ISO management systems are based on the PDCA continuous improvement cycle methodology



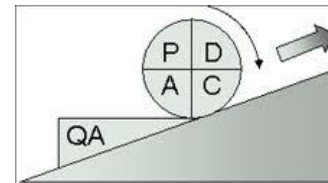
PLAN – Establish, assess, define

DO – Implement, operate, produce

CHECK – Audit, measure, monitoring

ACT – Improve, correct, prevent

Key concept – Continuous improvement =



ISO 27001 is a standard (set of requirements) to establish, implement, operate, monitor, review, maintain and improve a documented Information Security Management System (ISMS) within the context of the organization's **Risk** to its Information Assets (information in “Any” form).

The **ISMS** is designed to ensure the selection of adequate and proportionate security controls, that protect information assets and give confidence to interested parties (reasonable assurance).



Section 4-8 Auditable Requirements

Quality based management requirements (auditable) that “shall” be met by an Information Security Management System (ISMS) used to manage the information security program.

SECTION 4	Information Security Management System (ISMS)
4.1	General Requirements
4.2	Establishing and Managing the ISMS
4.2.1	Establish the ISMS = PLAN
4.2.2	Implement and Operate the ISMS = DO
4.2.3	Monitor and Review the ISMS = CHECK
4.2.4	Maintain and Improve the ISMS = ACT
4.3	Documentation Requirements
4.3.1	General
4.3.2	Control of Documents
4.3.3	Control of Records
SECTION 5	Management Responsibility
5.1	Management Commitment
5.2	Resource Management
5.2.1	Provision of Resources
5.2.2	Training, Awareness and Competence
SECTION 6	Internal ISMS Audits
SECTION 7	Management Review of the ISMS
7.1	General
7.2	Review Input
7.3	Review Output
SECTION 8	ISMS Improvement
8.1	Continual Improvement
8.2	Corrective Action
8.3	Preventive Action

Annex A – 11 Control Objectives / 133 Controls

A comprehensive minimum baseline of information security controls that all information security programs must consider when selecting controls to mitigate risks (Risk Management).

#	Ref	Description
1	A5	Security policy
2	A6	Organization of information security
3	A7	Asset management
4	A8	Human resources security
5	A9	Physical and environmental security
6	A10	Communications & operations management
7	A11	Access control
8	A12	Information systems acquisition, development & maintenance
9	A13	Information security incident management
10	A14	Business continuity management
11	A15	Compliance

*“The requirements in ISO 27001 auditable sections 4-8 are **generic** and are intended to be applicable to all organizations, regardless of type, size and nature.”*

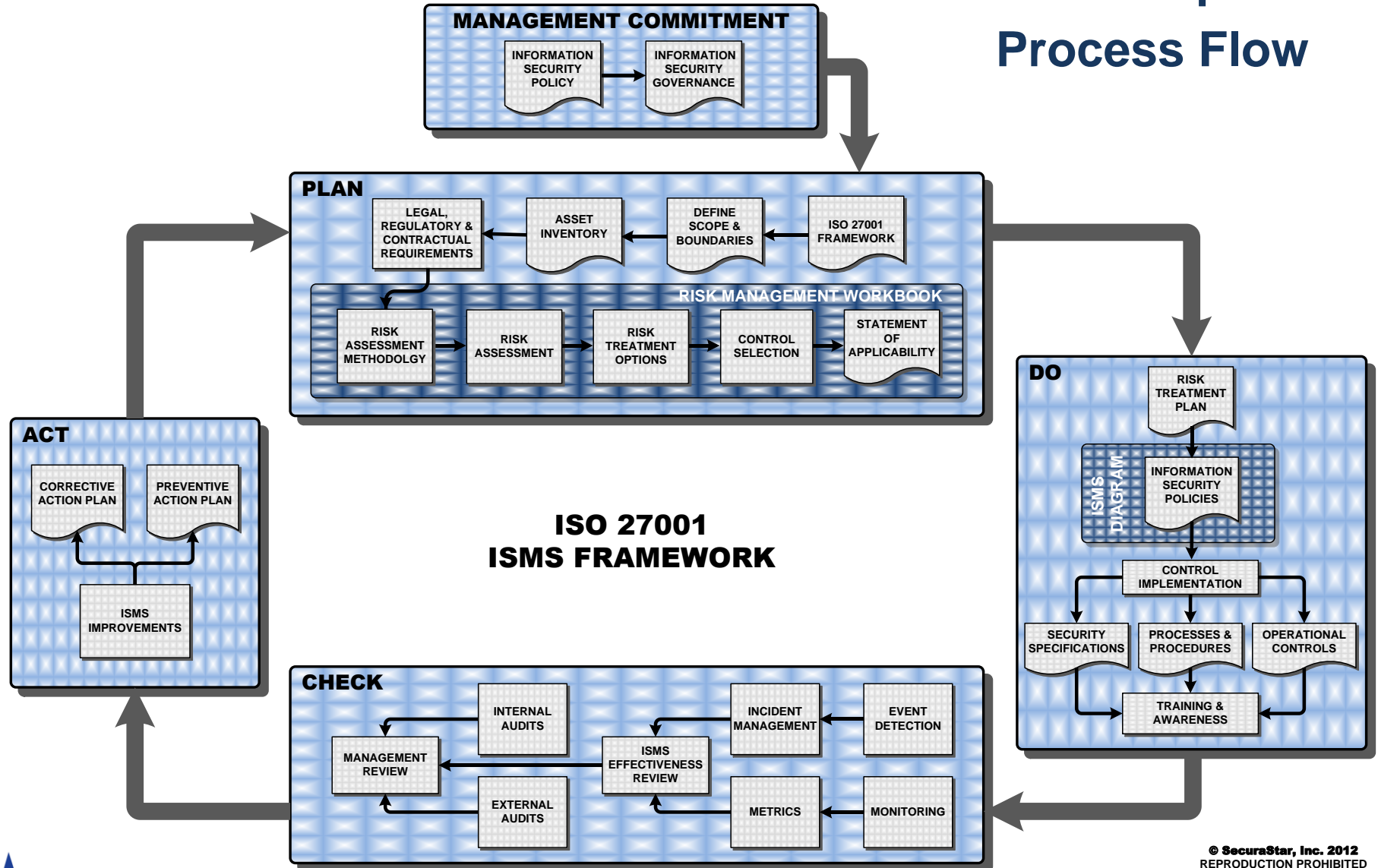
GENERIC REQUIREMENTS?.....

Then how do you implement ISO 27001?

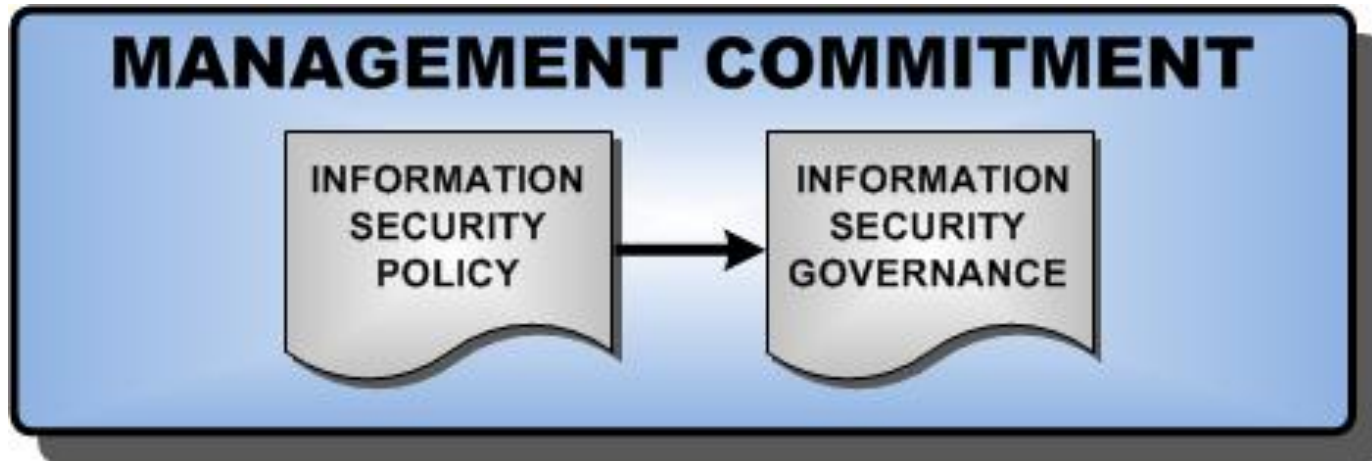
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What does ISO 27001 Framework look like?

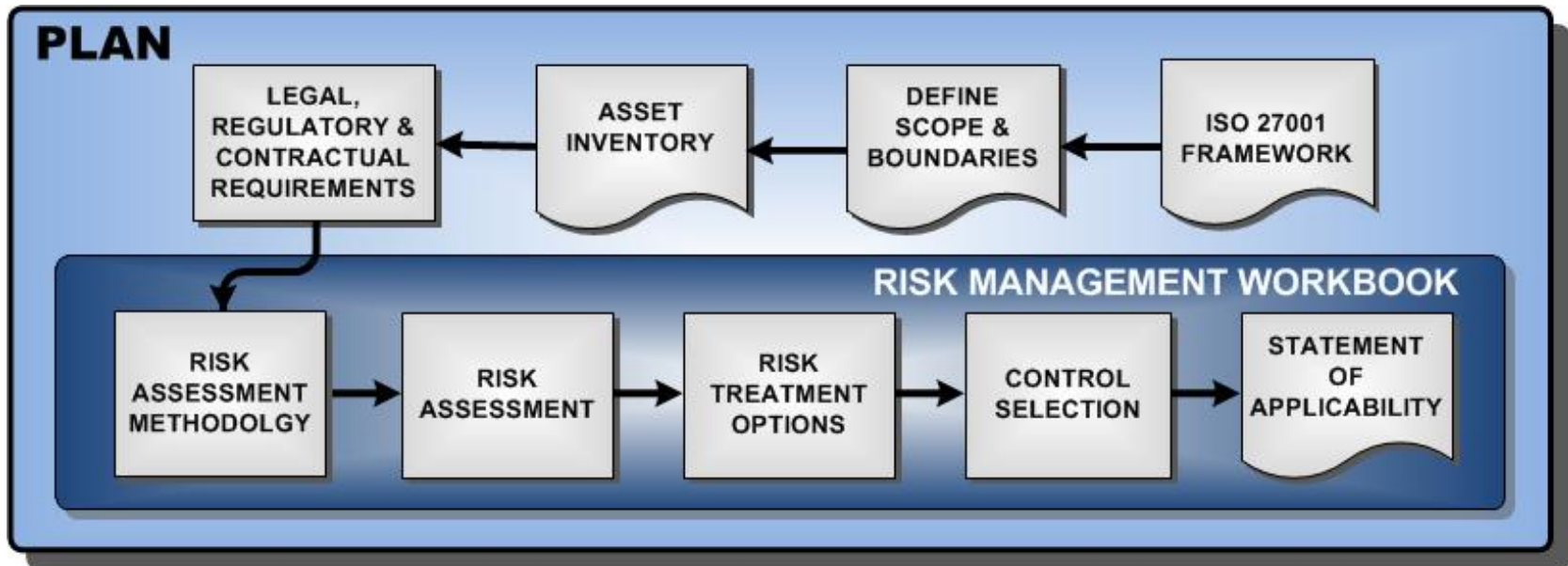
5 Step Process Flow



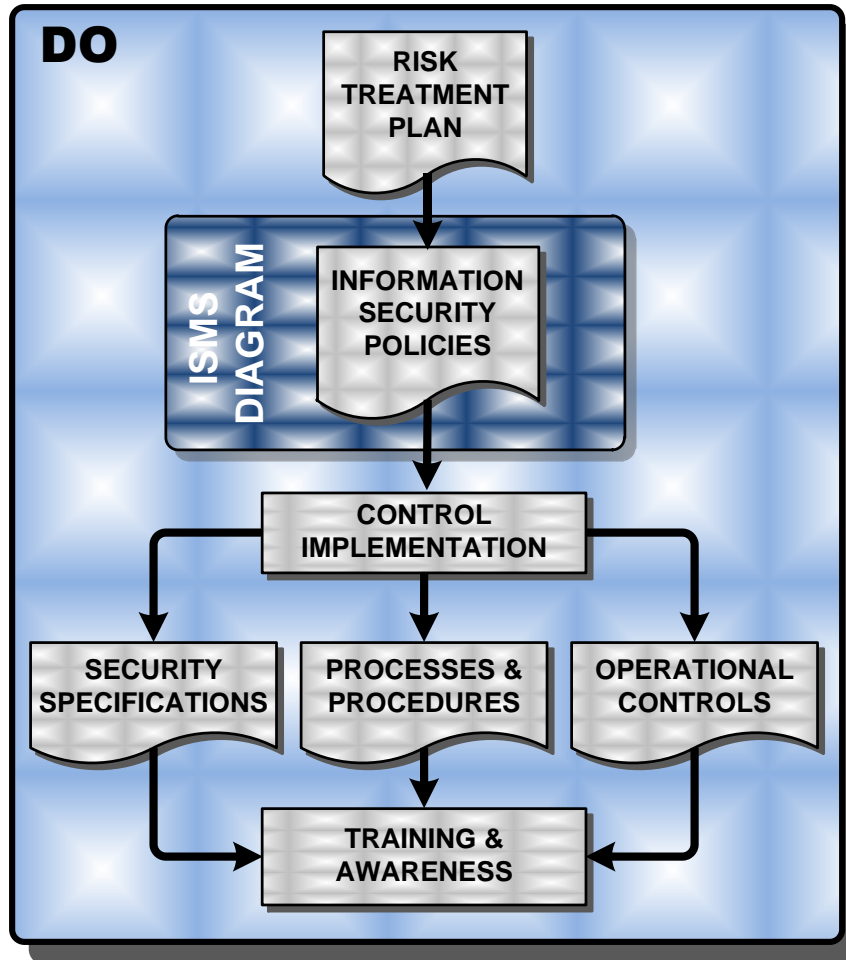
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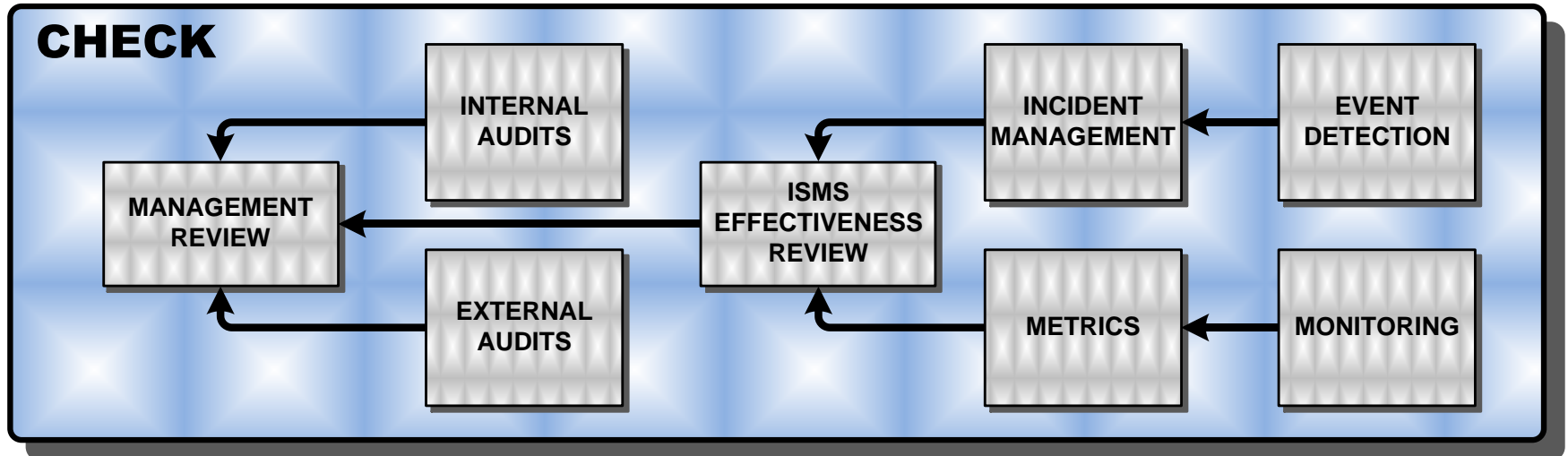
2. Establish the ISMS = PLAN



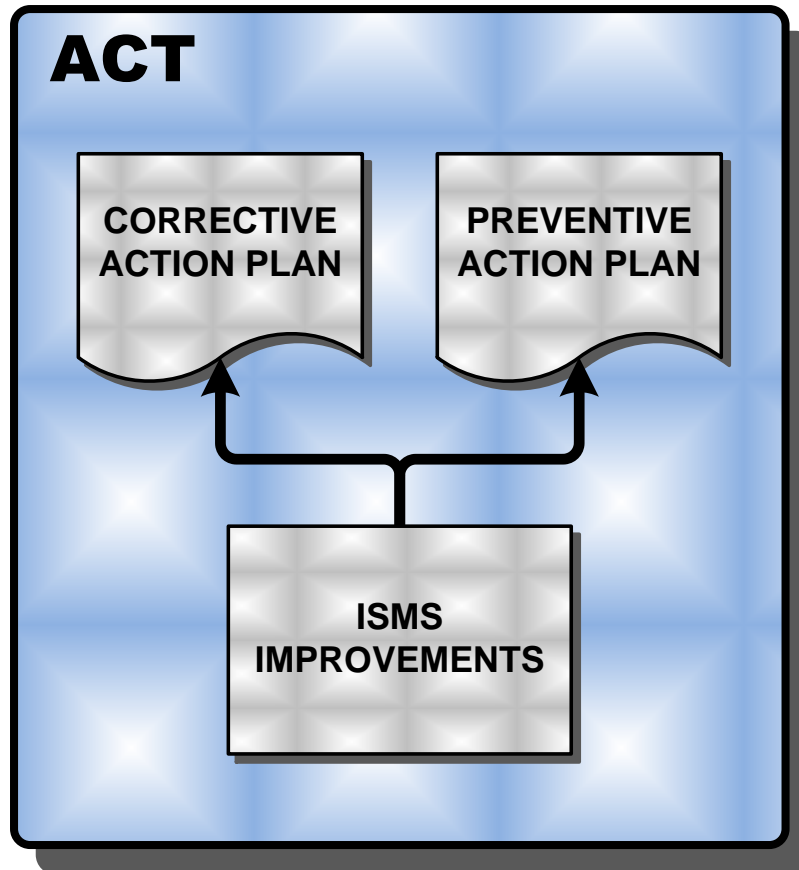
3. Implement & Operate the ISMS = DO



4. Monitor and Review the ISMS = CHECK



5. Maintain and Improve the ISMS = ACT



PLAN

Define the Scope

Define the Scope & boundaries

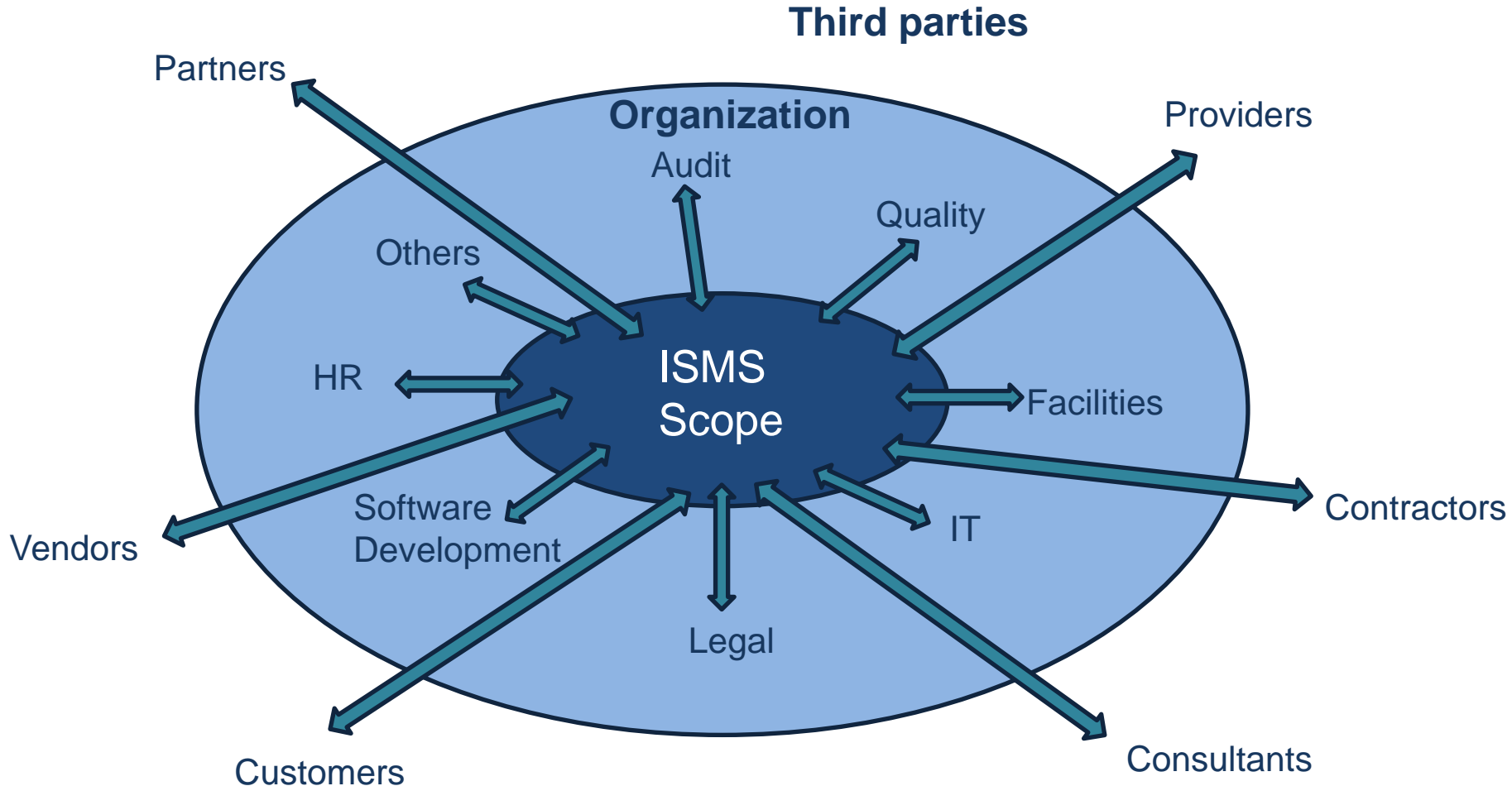
- The scope definition is the most important step in the whole process.
- The scope will have a huge impact on the rest of the implementation project, including costs and effort.
- It should meet business requirements and add value to products and/or services.
- So make sure you choose carefully!

The SCOPE is always a business decision!!!

3 Define the Scope

Define the Scope & boundaries

Along with the scope one must define its boundaries, i.e. third parties and respective connections



Scope and Boundaries of the ISMS

Describe what is In Scope:

The <Organization> ISMS scope of registration includes all systems, networks, facilities and personnel that support the <Business Process>.

Describe what is not in Scope:

The <Organization> ISMS scope of registration does not include any systems, networks, facilities and people that support any other remaining business processes within <Organization>.

Now we can create an Information Asset Inventory

Define all information related assets within the Scope including:

- Information
- People
- Facilities
- Hardware / software / applications
- Other assets?

Asset Inventory (within scope)

Type	Category	Asset	Owner	Location	Processes
Hardware	Servers	Web servers	Manager	Los Angeles DC / Frankfurt DC	P1
		Application servers			
		File share/backups servers			
		Database servers			
	Desktops	22 desktops	Employees	Headquarters; Frankfurt office	P1, P2
	Laptops	22 laptops			
	Mobile computings (tablets, smartphones, etc.)	22 smartphones; 2 tablets (Name and Name)			
	Printers/copiers	Office printers	Manager	Headquarters	

PLAN

Risk Management

The Risk Management Process



Methodology

- Any methodology can be used;
- Shall ensure that risk assessments produce comparable and reproducible results;
- It must be used in all risk assessment processes within the organization (scope);
- Usage of software tools is optional

Risk Assessment process

$$\text{Risk} = \text{Impact} \times \text{Likelihood}$$

- **Impact**

The consequences to the organization that a certain situation occurs

- ✓ Financial impact
- ✓ Image/credibility impact
- ✓ Legal/Regulatory impact
- ✓ Other impacts to the organization according to business requirements

- **Likelihood**

The existing probability of a threat to exploit a certain vulnerability

- ✓ Threat
- ✓ Vulnerability

Example of Impact & Likelihood Scales

IMPACT	DESCRIPTION
1	The harm to the Organization is VERY LOW
2	The harm to the Organization is LOW
3	The harm to the Organization is MEDIUM
4	The harm to the Organization is HIGH
5	The harm to the Organization is CRITICAL

LIKELIHOOD	DESCRIPTION
1	The probability of such event is VERY LOW
2	The probability of such event is LOW
3	The probability of such event is MEDIUM
4	The probability of such event is HIGH
5	The probability of such event is CRITICAL

EXAMPLE: Risk Assessment Matrix based on 1-5 impact and likelihood scales.

Sample: “This organization accepts current risks rated less than or equal to 5 on the impact and likelihood risk matrix”

CATEGORY	RANGE
LOW RISK	<=5
MEDIUM RISK	>5 <20
HIGH RISK	=> 20

RISK	LIKELIHOOD				
IMPACT	1	2	3	4	5
1	1	2	3	4	5
2	2	4	6	8	10
3	3	6	9	12	15
4	4	8	12	16	20
5	5	10	15	20	25

Risk Treatment Options

There are 4 options for risk treatment:

- **Acceptance**
 - Accept the risk based on business decision
- **Mitigation**
 - Select the controls to mitigate the risk
- **Transfer**
 - Outsource a process
 - Insurance Policy
- **Terminate**
 - Terminate the process

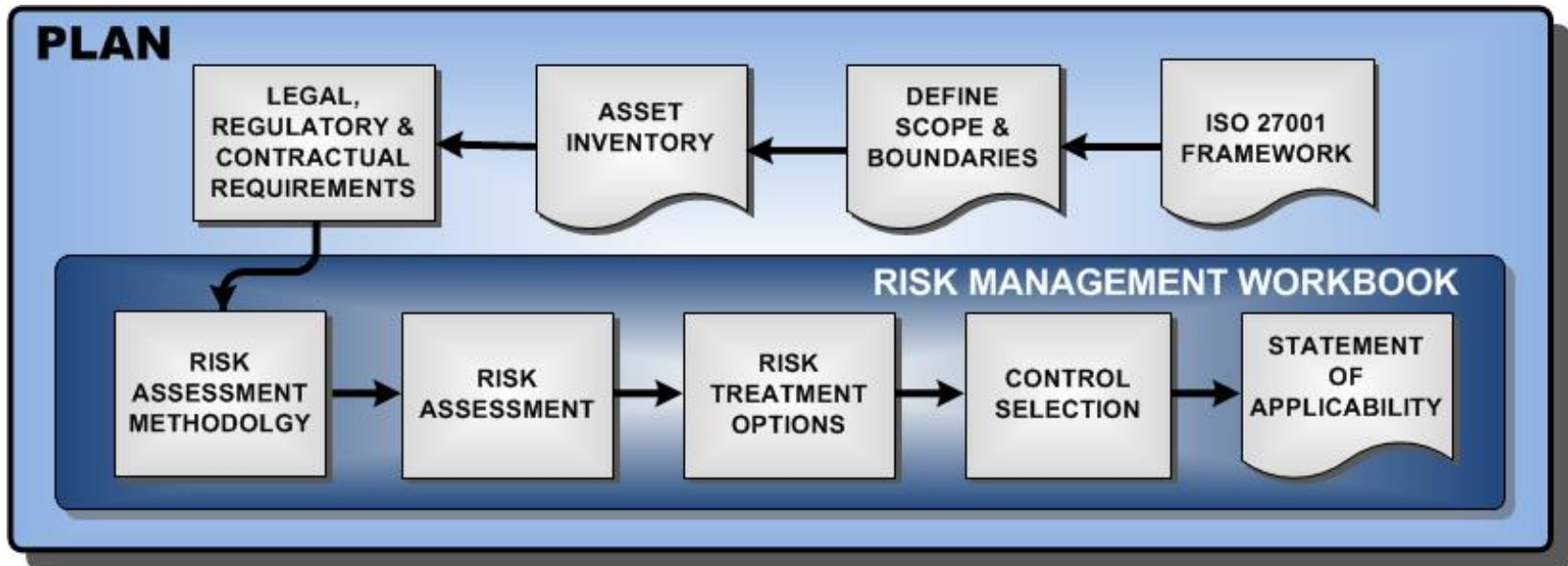
Control Selection

- Select control objectives and controls for the treatment of risks (Annex A – 133 Controls).
- Control objectives and controls shall be selected and implemented to meet the requirements identified by the risk assessment and risk treatment process.
- This selection shall take account of the criteria for accepting risks (see 4.2.1c)) as well as legal, regulatory and contractual requirements.

Risk Treatment Plan (RTP)

- One of the required documents in ISO 27001
- Output from the Risk Assessment
- The RTP is the Control Implementation Project Plan
 - Control to implement
 - Objective/s to achieve
 - Responsible for the task
 - Resources
 - Dates (planned, real)
 - Status

2. Establish the ISMS = PLAN



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