

CASE STUDY

Black-Box Infrastructure Penetration Testing for a Large Investment Company



Client profile

A large investment company based in Canada has expressed interest in performing a black-box approach penetration testing to identify potential vulnerabilities across its infrastructure. The company has over 300 external and 2000 internal assets.

Business challenges

Lack of a 24/7 vulnerability management solution to identify critical vulnerabilities

The internal network was flat and could be reachable from any critical server or endpoint

The Active Directory was not properly configured

Critical vulnerabilities on internal IPs and domain controllers posed a risk to the overall network compromise

Insufficient network segmentation allowed attackers to move freely across regions and escalate privileges

Business continuity and disaster recovery plans were either outdated or incomplete, leaving the organization ill-prepared for major disruptions or cyberattacks

Configuration management for critical infrastructure components lacked proper enforcement, exposing them to misconfiguration-based attacks

LTIMindtree solution

Performed grey-box pen-testing on internal infrastructure stretched across the USA, Canada, Europe, and Asia.

Recognized external assets' IP addresses via passive reconnaissance and identified internal IPs from the US/Can/EU/Asia regions.

Collected employee details from previous data breaches via open-source intelligence (OSINT).

Enumerated running external services to find and exploit possible vulnerabilities in a controlled manner.

Enumerated running internal services to find vulnerabilities on workstations and networking devices.

Identified Active Directory attack path and reported all the findings with possible patches, solutions, or workarounds.

Business benefits

Improved external infrastructure security that lowered the risk of external breaches by exposing less than **30%** of the system to attackers.

Reduced the risk of domain controller takeover by **90%** through proactive measures against misconfigurations.

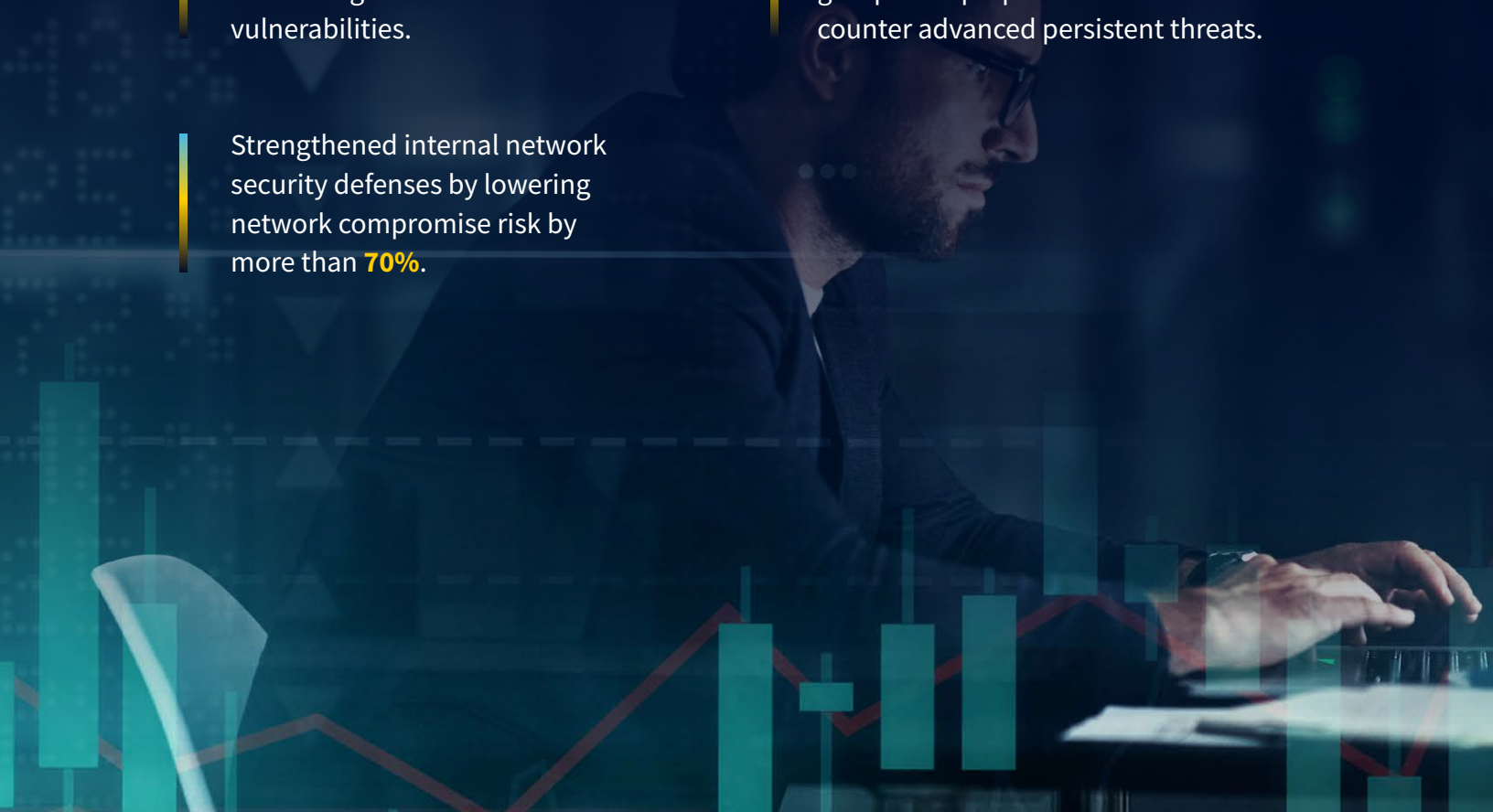
Improved data protection measures by addressing a breach affecting over **75%** of employee details.

Improved regional network segmentation and restricted movement across the US/Can/EU/Asia regions, enhancing data locality and compliance.

Reduced the attack surface by **33%** by securing HTTP/s services against external vulnerabilities.

Proactively defended against advanced persistent threat (APT) groups and prepared measures to counter advanced persistent threats.

Strengthened internal network security defenses by lowering network compromise risk by more than **70%**.





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