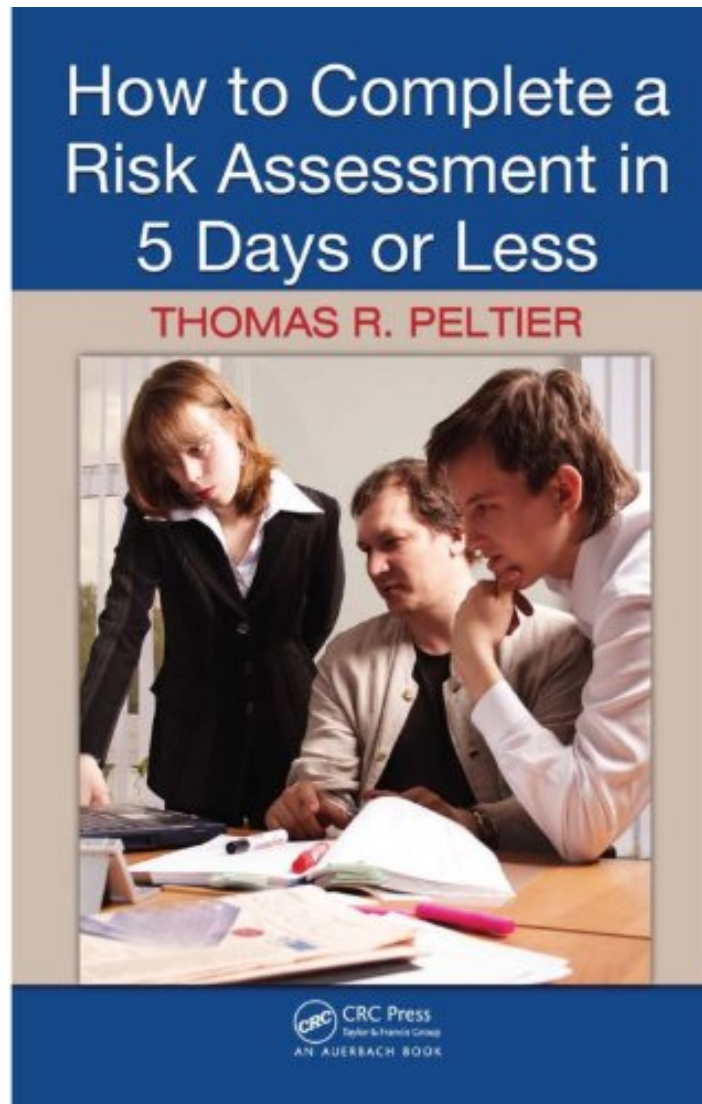


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the right triage decisions about whether those threats pose a real risk to your company or are innocuous. The book is built around the concept of a Facilitated Risk Analysis and Assessment Process (FRAAP). The process is designed to be implemented by organizations without outside help. The book's five chapters take the reader through the process from prescreening and performing a business impact analysis to the last step, the gap analysis. The majority of the book--roughly three quarters of it--consists of appendices to be used during the FRAAP. They cover every aspect of the process from listing the team members and developing a project scope statement to completing various checklists and questionnaires. Unfortunately, the book does not include a CD-ROM containing its various appendices and checklists, nor is it available online. The book's planned second edition, however, is supposed to include such a disc. Other than that, this work is a critical resource that can help an organization get up to speed with its risk management program. Readers looking to get their organizations out of the risk management "emergency room" will find this an indispensable and valuable guide.

Successful security professionals have had to modify the process of responding to new threats in the high-profile, ultra-connected business environment. But just because a threat exists does not mean that your organization is at risk. This is what risk assessment is all about. *How to Complete a Risk Assessment in 5 Days or Less* demonstrates how to identify threats your company faces and then determine if those threats pose a real risk to the organization. To help you determine the best way to mitigate risk levels in any given situation, *How to Complete a Risk Assessment in 5 Days or Less* includes more than 350 pages of user-friendly checklists, forms, questionnaires, and sample assessments. Presents Case Studies and Examples of all Risk Management Components Based on the seminars of information security expert Tom Peltier, this volume provides the processes that you can easily employ in your organization to assess risk. Answers such FAQs as: Why should a risk analysis be conducted? Who should review the results? How is the success measured? Always conscious of the bottom line, Peltier discusses the cost-benefit of risk mitigation and looks at specific ways to manage costs. He supports his conclusions with numerous case studies and diagrams that show you how to apply risk management skills in your organization—and it's not limited to information security risk assessment. You can apply these techniques to any area of your business. This step-by-step guide to conducting risk assessments gives you the knowledgebase and the skill set you need to achieve a speedy and highly-effective risk analysis assessment in a matter of days.

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