



Use Case 2

Greenfield OT Cyber Assurance & Requirements Framework

Summary



A greenfield chemical manufacturing facility operating new DCS/ESD, Level 2 and below OT systems. Required a standards-aligned cybersecurity blueprint to ensure safe design, compliant configuration, and secure commissioning of new process units.

Business Issue



The client needed to:

- Validate OT architecture
- Assess cyber risks
- Establish Security Levels (SL-T and CyberSL)
- Define cybersecurity requirements for engineering and implementation

Without a structured framework, the project risked misaligned safeguards, insecure system configuration, and compliance gaps affecting safety and reliability



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Our Approach →

01

Validate Architecture & Segmentation

Confirmed OT design, zones, conduits, and asset inventory.

02

Identify Assets & Criticality

Mapped DCS/ESD assets to process and safety impact.

03

Conduct CyberPHA DLRA

Assessed threats, vulnerabilities, and credible scenarios.

04

Evaluate Cyber Risk

Calculated inherent/residual risk and prioritized mitigations.

05

Verify Security Levels

Set SL-T and confirmed achievable CyberSL per ISA/IEC 62443.

06

Define 62443 Requirements

Developed CSRS and safeguard recommendations.

07

Deliver & Validate

Issued reports/specs and verified secure implementation

08

Oversee Implementation

Validated secure configuration during commissioning to ensure compliance with design requirements.



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Value to Customer /
Issues Resolved



- 01 Standards-aligned OT architecture and segmentation model
- 02 Full visibility into credible cyber threats and vulnerabilities
- 03 Clear Security Level (SL-T & CyberSL) definition for each OT zone
- 04 Structured mitigation roadmap reducing engineering and operational risk
- 05 Cybersecurity embedded in design, procurement, FAT/SAT, and commissioning
- 06 Reduced likelihood of cyber-induced process disruptions or safety impacts

Outcome



The client received a **comprehensive OT cybersecurity assurance package** for its greenfield units, ensuring DCS/ESD systems met required Security Levels and were implemented securely. The DLRA provided visibility into risks, validated safeguards, and defined actionable requirements—resulting in a **safer, more resilient, and fully compliant OT environment** ready for reliable operations.