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Dell Technologies Achieves US Department of Defense Validation for Zero Trust Solution

Story Highlights

- Dell Project Fort Zero completes government assessment, meeting stringent standards for fortifying environments against cyber threats
- The validated solution achieves a turnkey zero trust architecture that simplifies adoption and protects critical data

ROUND ROCK, TEXAS – April 02, 2025 — Dell Technologies Project Fort Zero achieves U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) validation for replicating the DoD zero trust architecture.

Dell's validated, on-premises private cloud can offer organizations strengthened cybersecurity in a complete zero trust environment, providing continuous verification of users and resources from day one.

Project Fort Zero's on premises, sovereign zero trust private cloud infrastructure.

Why it matters:

As organizations harness AI and generate vast amounts of data amid increasingly sophisticated cyber threats, it's critical that they safeguard their data and environments with a zero trust cybersecurity approach. The U.S. government's push for zero trust further underscores the need for robust cybersecurity measures. Dell Project Fort Zero provides a validated, turnkey zero trust solution that will help organizations strengthen their cybersecurity postures.

Project Fort Zero validation offers cybersecurity maturity

Dell completed a rigorous assessment by the U.S. DoD where Project Fort Zero was tested to withstand sophisticated cyberattacks. The solution completed all security controls required to achieve the DoD's Target Level validation as a sovereign, on-premises private cloud. This third-party validation provides credibility to organizations that the solution was rigorously tested to help protect environments against cyberattacks.

Deploying an end-to-end zero trust architecture is difficult due to the complexity of integrating numerous tools and controls. Dell Project Fort Zero addresses the limitations of point-specific cybersecurity solutions by providing a complete zero trust architecture that streamlines integration and accelerates time-to-value. Dell's solution simplifies this process with all cybersecurity tools and controls integrated from the start.

Perspectives:

"The U.S. Department of Defense's validation of Dell Project Fort Zero marks a pivotal milestone in cybersecurity," said **Herb Kelsey, industry chief technology officer, government, Dell Technologies**. "By bringing together an ecosystem of partners and taking on the technology integration of this complex architecture, Dell has laid the groundwork for a turnkey zero trust solution that global organizations can look forward to leveraging the moment it's deployed."

Availability:

The DoD validation is a milestone for Dell Project Fort Zero. Availability to be announced.

Additional Resources:

- Learn more about Dell Project Fort Zero and Dell's approach to zero trust here.
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