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As cybersecurity continues to play an increasingly important role in business today, how can cyber executives use education and open dialogue to increase awareness of—and successfully manage—cyber risks? In this episode of the Resilient podcast, Colleen Valentine, Nasdaq's Information Security Governance and Compliance director, sits down with Resilient cyber series host, Deb Golden, to weigh in on the foundational components of cyber governance and creating a culture of security.

Deb Golden:

In today's digital day and age, data is a surplus. It's literally everywhere. Organizations are leaning in to technologies to change the way that they run their business, make data-informed decisions, improve the user experience, and even to improve compliance. But with the use of technology comes great risk – and not just from a data perspective but who's who, where's compliance. Where am I turning to? Is it global? Is it U.S.-based? But also in terms of internal adoption and the execution of cyber programs. Add to that regulatory and compliance, and organizations are often finding themselves somewhat lost with how to keep it all together, let alone to make sure they're addressing every caveat of cyber.

Welcome to the Resilient podcast, where we will feature resilient leaders, real insights and unfiltered stories. My name is Deb Golden, and I'm the U.S. leader of Deloitte Risk & Financial Advisory's Cyber Risk Services practice. This episode marks the second in our cyber series, and I'm absolutely thrilled to be talking with Colleen Valentine, director of Information Security, Governance and Compliance for Nasdaq. Colleen is on the forefront of cyber in FinTech and has some amazing insights to share on cyber governance, controls, regulations and so much more – including chickens. And I love what she has to say about instilling a culture of cyber responsibility and awareness throughout an organization and the practical metrics that can be tracked to assess execution of your cyber strategy.

Colleen Valentine:

Our focus is on culture of security. We really want employees to understand that they're on the front line of defense, that they interact with data, and there's a certain duty of care and responsibility that they have with the data and to be cyber vigilant.

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Deb Golden:

I think you'll be equally as thrilled as I was listening to Colleen's story, not only the journey that she's taking from her career and her education but how she's been surrounded by strong women who have empowered her to continue that for others and really leading from the front in terms of mentorship, STEM career paths, and encouraging people to find their path. I think you'll really be interested in hearing her advice she has for other individuals in this career.

I'm really looking forward to sharing this episode with you. Listen to the full episode on your favorite podcast channel and subscribe to our mailing list to stay informed of future episodes. Thanks for listening.

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