



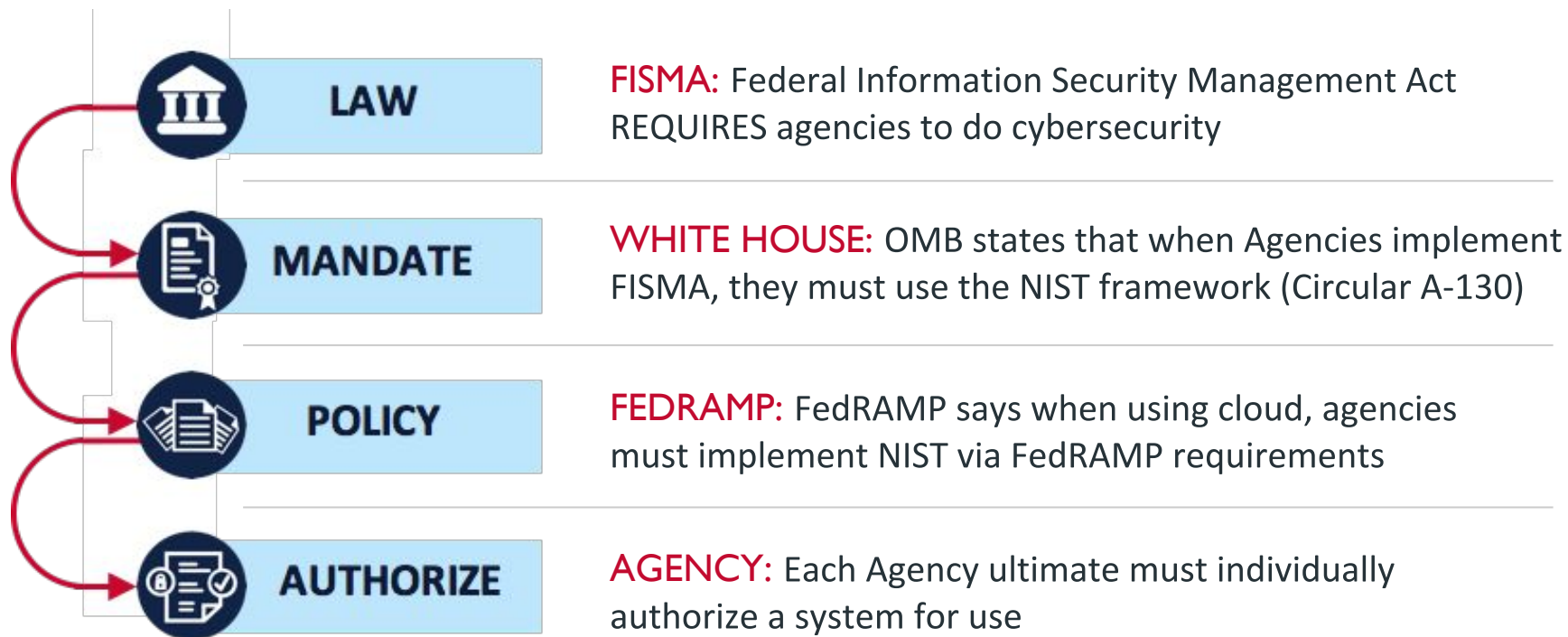
FedRAMP

A stylized city skyline in shades of blue and white. It features several modern skyscrapers and a prominent classical building with a dome and columns in the foreground. A large red ribbon banner is positioned below the skyline.

FedRAMP Overview

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The Federal Risk and Authorization Management Program (FedRAMP) promotes the adoption of secure cloud services across the US Government by providing a standardized approach to security and risk assessment.



Federal law requires that Agencies authorize their information systems.
FedRAMP is FISMA for cloud services and is required for all Executive Agencies.



FedRAMP Authorized CSPs cover more than

5 MILLION
assets
available for
Federal use



1/3
of the world's
internet traffic



4 security baselines to
match government
use to risk



HIGH
(421 controls)



LOW
(125 controls)



MODERATE
(325 controls)



TAILORED
(36 controls*)



165

Authorized Cloud
Services



1300+

Agency Reuses of
Authorized Services



159

Participating
Government
Organizations



220+

Participating Industry
Partners

POINTS OF CONNECTION



750+

Annual meetings with
agencies and vendors



4,200+

Followers
on Twitter



11,000+

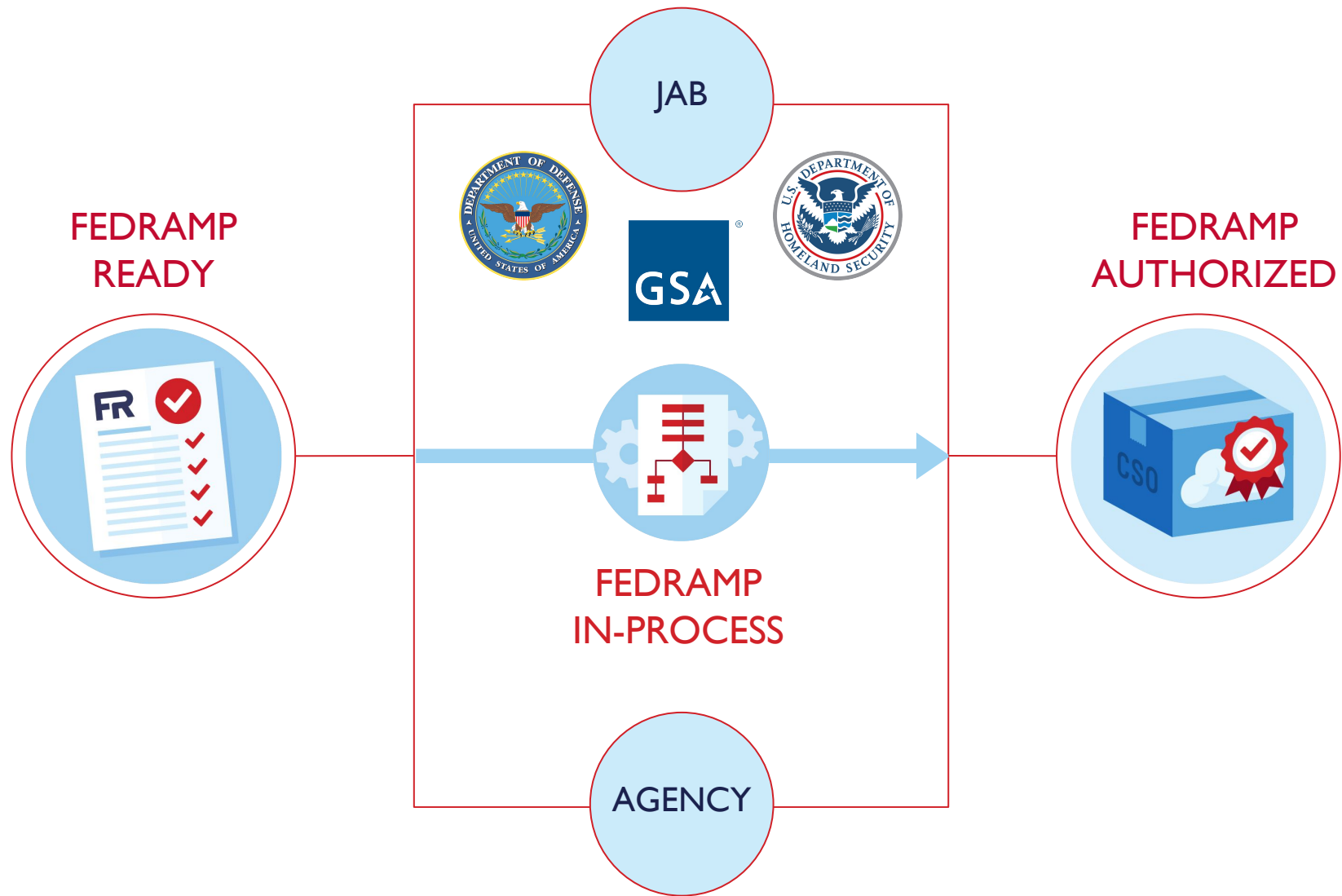
Stakeholders
on listserv



20,000+

Questions answered
through info@fedramp.gov

*testable



FedRAMP provides 4 baselines for authorizing cloud services according to the security impact for the use of the service at Agencies



Tailored for LI-SaaS

- Specific to SaaS with low-risk use cases architected on FedRAMP-authorized infrastructure clouds
- Consolidated security documentation
- Enables agencies to *tailor* Low baseline to core, critical controls, commensurate with risk



Low

- 125 controls
- Limited adverse effect on Agency operations in the event of system breach
- Services do not store PII beyond that required for user login capability



Moderate

- 325 Controls
- 80% of federal use cases for cloud services
- Breach would result in serious adverse effects on Agency operations



High

- 421 controls
- Severe or catastrophic adverse effects on Agency operations in the event of system breach
- Common use cases include financial systems, health systems, and law enforcement or emergency services systems

FedRAMP baselines are organized according to **17 control families** defined by NIST

NIST Control Families

AC - Access Control

AU - Audit & Accountability

AT - Awareness & Training

CM - Configuration Management

CP - Contingency Planning

IA - Identification & Authentication

IR - Incident Response

MA - Maintenance

MP - Media Protection

PS - Personnel Security

PE - Physical & Environment Protection

PL - Planning

RA - Risk Assessment

CA - Security Assessment & Authorization

SC - System & Communications Protection

SI - System & Information Integrity

SA - System & Services Acquisition

EXAMPLE CONTROL AREAS

Encryption

SC-13 SC-8 SC-28

Helps ensure that only authorized parties can understand/decode the information.

Identification & Authentication

IA-2

Reduces the likelihood of account compromise and helps ensure that only the people who should have access to information do.

Vulnerability Scanning & Malicious Code

RA-5 SI-2

Helps ensure vendors have what they need in place to continually respond to evolving threats.

Boundary Protection & System Interconnections

CA-3 SC-7 AC-4

Ensures federal data is protected from end to end and maintains a secure perimeter.

Configuration Management

CM-6 SI-2

Provides visibility into what is changing and the impact of those changes.

Federal security policy requires all systems to be authorized based on risk.

FedRAMP standardizes the process for cloud, providing:

DO ONCE, USE MANY TIMES

Doing security authorizations right the first time allows Agencies to re-use work and eliminate duplicative efforts

TRANSPARENCY

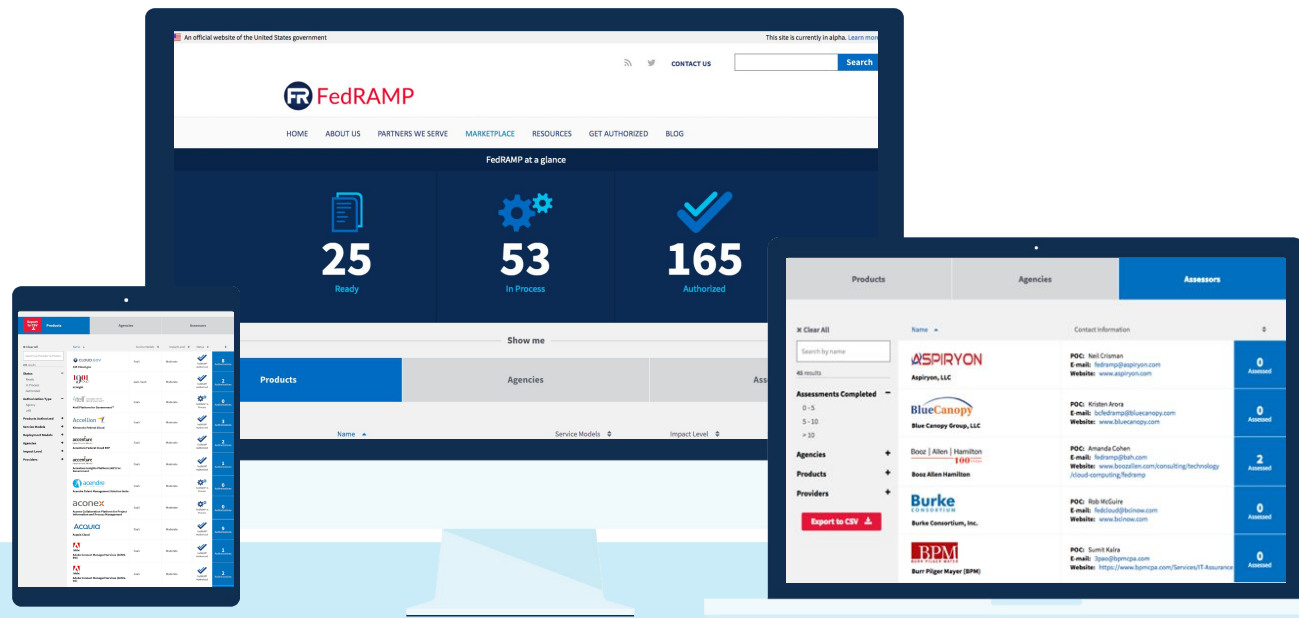
Increased collaboration and creation of a community among the US Government and vendors that did not exist before, establishing the FIRST government-wide FISMA program

VALIDATED WORK

FedRAMP validates security authorizations to ensure that there is uniformity among security packages

CENTRAL SHARING

Centralized repository where Agencies can request access to security packages for expedient authorizations



- Provides a searchable database of all cloud services with a FedRAMP designation
- Enables researching of Authorized services and Third Party Assessment Organizations (3PAOs)
- Provides contact information and service descriptions for all cloud services

Questions?

Learn more at www.Fedramp.gov

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