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Dishank Rustogi is an accomplished cybersecurity leader and currently serves as Assistant Vice President, Business Information Security at The Canada Life Assurance Company, where he acts as a strategic conduit between the CIO and CISO organizations, aligning technology and security priorities across the enterprise. With over 15 years of experience in cybersecurity risk management, transformation and data protection, he has built and led high-impact security programs across a broad range of sectors, including financial services, technology, retail, nonprofit and the public sector. Dishank is known for his ability to translate complex security challenges into actionable business strategies and for driving cross-functional collaboration at the executive level.

Prior to his current role, he served as the National Practice Leader for Cyber Risk Management and Transformation within BDO Canada's consulting practice, where he advised organizations on strengthening their cybersecurity posture and navigating complex regulatory environments. Dishank has extensive experience working with publicly listed organizations across North America and Southeast Asia. His expertise includes the design and implementation of enterprise cybersecurity programs, embedding security into end-to-end business processes, and meeting regulatory requirements such as PCI DSS, Sarbanes-Oxley (SOX), SOC reporting, ISO 27001, NIST 800-37 and other baseline cybersecurity standards. Dishank has also led the development of cyber incident response capabilities, facilitated executive tabletop exercises, and supported organizations through active breach scenarios, strengthening resilience and executive decision making under pressure. He holds an MBA degree from the University of Toronto and a bachelor of engineering degree from the Manipal Institute of Technology.