Executive biography



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Patrick Heim is one of the most respected and influential voices in cybersecurity today, with an extraordinary career spanning enterprise security leadership, venture investing, and technology innovation. As former Head of Trust and Security at Dropbox and Chief Trust Officer at Salesforce.com, Patrick defined the security architecture for platforms trusted by millions of users worldwide. His pioneering CISO leadership at Kaiser Permanente and McKesson Corporation established frameworks now considered industry standards for securing sensitive data at scale.

A sought-after advisor to governments, Fortune 500 boards, and security startups, Patrick co-founded SYN Ventures and served as Managing Partner at ClearSky, where he identified and accelerated transformative security technologies. His investment portfolio includes some of today's most innovative security companies, reflecting his unparalleled ability to anticipate emerging threats and solutions.

Patrick's unique perspective—combining enterprise security leadership, cloud platform architecture, and investment acumen—has made him one of the security industry's most trusted authorities on authentication, zero trust implementation, and emerging security paradigms. He holds a B.S. from Indiana University and an MBA in international business from the joint University of South Carolina/Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien program.