DORA

Getting ready for DORA:
Digital resilience in the financial sector

The Digital Operational Resilience Act (DORA) came into force on **17 January 2025**, marking a pivotal moment for the financial sector as organisations and ICT-service providers now face the ongoing challenge of ensuring compliance and strengthening their digital resilience against cyber threats and operational disruptions.

What does DORA mean for your business?

DORA requires financial institutions such as banks, insurers and investment firms to fully assess their operational and security risks. They must prepare incident response plans, act against cyber threats and report serious incidents to the regulator. The act goes beyond existing regulation to ensure that you proactively manage risk and continually review whether security measures are adequate.

What are your responsibilities under DORA

- **Risk management:** Financial institutions must implement a risk management framework that defines top management responsibilities and mandates regular reviews.

- **Incident management:** Organisations must have an incident management process that requires them to report serious incidents to regulators within a short timeframe.

- **Digital resilience testing:** DORA requires annual testing, including threat-driven penetration testing, to ensure the resilience of IT-systems.

- **Third-party risk management:** Manage risks from external IT-suppliers and ensure stringent security requirements when working with third parties.

Source: AFM - DORA Risk Management

Contact us

Want to know what your organisation needs to do to comply with the DORA Directive? Reach out through our **contact form**.

How we can help

1. **Baseline assessment:** We start by reviewing current security processes to understand your organisation's strengths and areas for improvements.

2. **Compliance assessment:** We then assess your current setup to identify any gaps in meeting DORA's requirements.

3. **Implementation:** Our team supports you in putting the necessary measures in place, ensuring your organisation is fully compliant.

4. **Evaluation:** After implementation, we perform an evaluation to make sure you're meeting the regulations and ready for any audits.

Why Sopra Steria for DORA?

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