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Michael Hermus is the Chief Technology Officer (CTO) at the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), working within the Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO). He assumed this position on June 15, 2015.



With almost 20 years of CTO experience, Mr. Hermus' background includes strategy, operations, management, and systems engineering. As DHS's CTO, Mr. Hermus will integrate the President's national security, innovation, and emerging technologies priorities with the DHS mission. He is also responsible for building the department's capacity to identify and address future mission needs and emergent security weaknesses and threats.

Prior to his arrival at DHS, Mr. Hermus worked in the private sector. He was the Chief Product & Technology Officer for House Party, Inc., a social marketing platform that leverages data and open source technology to build brands and increase sales. Previously, he was CTO for FirstCarbon Solutions, directing product design, development, and operations for its sustainability software product line. Prior to that, he co-founded and served as CTO for two software companies, Enverity Corp. and MarketXT, Inc.

Mr. Hermus earned both his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

