Why Security Must Change in the AI Era

Major Changes in the Enterprise IT Environment

1. ***Employees increasingly use Generative AI tools (ChatGPT, Copilot, etc.)***
2. ***Business data is now heavily stored in SaaS platforms***
3. ***Hybrid workforce and remote access are now standard***
4. ***Traditional perimeter security (Firewall + VPN) cannot fully protect modern workflows***
5. ***Security teams in mid-market companies remain small***
6. ***Organizations need visibility, control, and automation***

Conclusion: Security must expand beyond the network to include AI usage, browser activity, SaaS data, and automated security operations.

Palo Alto Security Platform Evolution

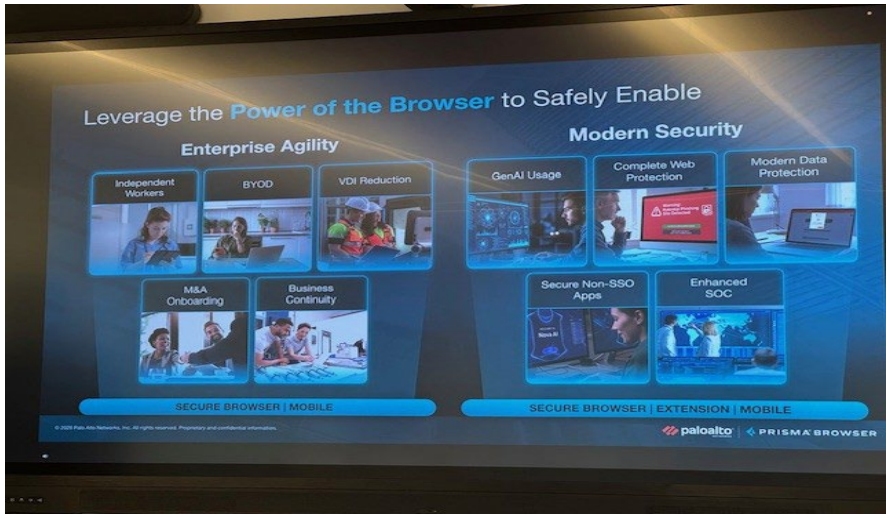
Security Architecture Evolution

Phase 1 – Network Security: Next-Generation Firewall protects the network perimeter

Phase 2 – Secure Browser Layer: Prisma Browser secures SaaS, web activity, and AI usage

Phase 3 – AI-Driven SOC: Cortex XSIAM automates detection, investigation, and response

Integrated Platform Approach: Network + Cloud + AI + User Activity



Mid-market companies gain enterprise-grade security visibility and automated protection.

Reference Security Architecture (200–1000 Users)

Cross-Circuit Recommended Architecture for Mid-Market Organizations

1. ***Network Layer:***
   Palo Alto NGFW protects branch offices and datacenters
2. ***User Layer:***
   Prisma Browser secures employee access to SaaS and AI tools
3. ***Data Protection Layer:***
   CASB + DLP monitor and control sensitive data movement
4. ***SOC Layer:***
   Cortex XSIAM provides automated threat detection and response
5. ***Threat Intelligence:***
   Unit 42 intelligence continuously updates protections

Result:
A modern security platform that protects network, cloud, AI usage, and user behavior.