

MESSAGE FROM THE UK CHAPTER PRESIDENT



“ Dear Members,

Thank you to all those that were able to attend and participate in our Identity Assurance event on the 8th July. We had a full ship onboard the Wellington and the levels of contribution from all members together with our guest speakers resulted in an excellent day of fruitful round table discussions. David Lacey, our Director of Research, has collated notes from each of the tables and produced a very comprehensive whitepaper. This has captured all the key points and made some highly valuable recommendations which we will take forward with our industry and government contacts.

The whitepaper will be published on our website and includes acknowledgements to all members who took part.

The next major event in our calendar is on the 10th September in London.

We have a three part agenda and members are welcome to come to any or all of these. In the morning we will be focusing on “Law & Ethics” starting with an introductory keynote from Lord Errol and concluding with a panel of legal experts who will discuss some of the most controversial legal issues facing information security in the UK today. After lunch our afternoon is devoted to “Developing Your Career in Information Security”. We have a full line up of speakers that will update us on Education, Professionalism & Certification.

The afternoon’s agenda will culminate in an industry wide panel discussion from employers that will engage our members in the current job market situation and skills currently sought by those hiring information security professional in the difficult economic conditions we are all experiencing today.

Finally, in the evening of the 10th September we will be celebrating the 25th anniversary of ISSA at the nearby newly opened venue –“The Class Rooms”– rather appropriate following our afternoon’s agenda!

Our International President, Professor Howard Schmidt, will make a special anniversary address and we will spend the rest of the evening celebrating this special occasion.

Please see below for further details and how to register.
I do hope to see you there.

With best wishes,
Geoff Harris
ISSA UK President

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IN THIS MONTH’S ISSUE



1. UK CHAPTER MEETINGS IN 2009:

UK Chapter meetings in 2009 will be hosted by KPMG

2009 Events

London Chapter Meetings:

Chapter Meeting London 10th of September 2009 KPMG Salisbury Square

<http://www.issa-uk.org/issasept10.html>

To register for the above event please ‘rsvp’ to: administration@issa-uk.org with “Sept 10th Chapter Meeting” in the subject header.



Please also state whether attending:

- The morning
- Lunch
- The afternoon
- Evening - the Anniversary Celebration

Regional Events November/December 2009
Bletchley Park/Northern England / Scotland / South West England & Wales

Chapter Meeting London 10th of December 2009 KPMG Salisbury Square

Please see <http://www.issa-uk.org/events.html> for further details and to how to register to attend these events

Please put the above dates in your diaries.

2. ISSA-UK/EMEA PROMOTED "SECURITY DAYS"

(6 CPEs - no admittance charge for ISSA members)

8th October - ISSA / Microsoft Security day (TVP/Reading) - all day event. Please mark in your diaries.

3. ISSA-UK & 'MEDIA PARTNER / ASSOCIATE' - CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

<http://www.issa-uk.org/events.htm>

SEPTEMBER:

IDC's IT Security Conference - London 17th September.

The Conference will offer practical advice on developing a holistic, effective security programme that will become a core part of the organisational culture and business routine.

ISSA have arranged 35 free* places for their readers. Visit <http://www.idc.com/uk/security09> to view the agenda and register, use promotion code "ISSA" to by pass the payment screen.

*free tickets are for end-users only

Gartner "Information Security Summit - Europe" - London - 21st & 22nd September
(500 Euro discount)

More details: <http://www.gartner.com/it/page.jsp?id=787512>

OCTOBER:

ISSE 2009 - Netherlands - 6th - 8th October

More details: <http://www.issa-uk.org/isse2009.html>

MISSti "CSO Summit 2009" - Barcelona - 14th -16th October

10% discount for ISSA members - download brochure:

More details: http://www.issa-uk.org/partner_events.html

RSA Europe - London (TBA) - 20-22 October

<http://www.rsaconference.com/2009/europe/email/fivereas/mc/mc.htm>

NOVEMBER:

SANS LONDON 2009 - London - 28th November - 7th December

10% discount for ISSA members

<http://www.sans.org/london09/>

4. ISSA UK SPEAKER AND TOPIC SUGGESTION

Members are encouraged to get in touch with us if there are any topics that they are particularly interested in hearing about. Email: administration@issa-uk.org





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5. ISSA UK EXCLUSIVE - SEARCHSECURITY

Information Security Forum Reveals Top Threats

Layoffs. Mergers. Emerging Threats. Rogue Insiders. Profit-motivated Hackers. Web 2.0. Cybercrime Attacks. Falling Budgets. Compliance Regulations. It's no secret that the life of an information security professional is going to be difficult over the next couple of years and staying abreast of the newest threats will continue to be a struggle. The Information Security Forum just published the results of a new report that highlights the toughest security threats facing organizations today – and you can get all the details on SearchSecurity.co.UK.

The top five threats range from the increased threat of Internet attacks from organised crime groups, to the loss of control resulting from outsourcing and cloud computing. Activate your membership today to read the full story:

http://searchsecurity.techtarget.co.uk/generic/0,295582,sid180_gci1359679,00.html

6. FOR LATEST "DISCOUNT NEWS"

Make use of great exclusive discounts such as 20% off books and 10% off training. Visit: <http://www.issa-uk.org/> for current updates.

7. WHITE HAT RALLY - THE ITALIAN JOB 2009

Date: 11/12/13 September 2009

In aid of Childline

Follow in the tracks of Charlie Croker and his band of merry crooks visiting some of the many locations included in the film.

A budget rally with a cinematic twist, The Italian Job promises to be 3 days of fun in the sun in a vehicle that belongs more on Southend-on-Sea front than the Cote d'Azur.

With a simple registration fee of £250, you and as many others as you can fit into a car, that costs under £500, can enjoy the thrills and not too many spills on this dash across Europe. All we ask is that you help us by raising £1000 for ChildLine.

For further information and registration go to:

<http://www.whitehatrally.org> or email italianjob@whitehatrally.org.

8. ISSA UK IN THE NEWS

Our VP for Comms, Raj Samani has recently published two articles on behalf of the chapter in Computer Weekly:

Building a profile is key to career progression

<http://tinyurl.com/mnk3h8>

Balancing cost and risk for outsourcer information assurance

<http://tinyurl.com/ncckec>

9. DO YOU WANT TO GET PUBLISHED?

Exclusive to ISSA UK Chapter members only, the SurfingSafer website are providing chapter members to write reviews and publish reviews of security products you may have used. A global website, it gives you the opportunity to tell the world what you thought of the latest home/enterprise security product under your own name. For more information please go to:

<http://www.surfingsafer.com/ISSA-reviews>

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