

IT Governance launches Cyber Essentials Foundation course

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ELY, CAMBRIDGESHIRE, UK, June 16, 2014 /EINPresswire.com/ -- IT Governance, the fast-growing cyber security services provider and a CREST member company, has launched a <u>Cyber Essentials Foundation course</u> aimed at British companies looking to comply with the new <u>Cyber Essentials Scheme</u> (CES).

The course covers the key cyber security controls set by the scheme and provides guidance on meeting the audit and assessment requirements. Places on the 28 August 2014 course can be booked on the IT Governance website at www.itgovernance.co.uk/shop/p-1617.aspx.

Alan Calder, Founder and Executive Chairman of IT Governance, said: "This is an exciting opportunity for us to be one of the first cyber security specialist firms to launch a new course shortly after the scheme has been officially announced.

"Drawing on our longstanding experience with cyber security standards, notably ISO27001 - CES is aligned with a subset of the controls contained in Annex A of ISO27001 - we are in an ideal position to deliver a valuable and insightful course. With the first sitting in July already fully booked, I strongly believe our course will become even more popular in the months ahead as more organisations will be looking to implement the scheme."

The Cyber Essential Scheme was officially announced by the UK Government on 5 June 2014, following public consultations and pilot assessments. The scheme is part of the UK Government's national Cyber Security Strategy and provides a baseline for implementing essential cyber security controls. Organisations that successfully meet the scheme's assessment requirements will be able to display the scheme's badge. There are two level of certification: Cyber Essentials and Cyber Essentials Plus.

The Cyber Essentials Foundation Course will provide attendees with an overview of how to achieve improved cyber security, the scheme outline, guidance on applying the five key control requirements of the Cyber Essentials Scheme, and information about how to meet the audit and assessment requirements for Cyber Essentials and Cyber Essentials Plus.

According to an announcement published on www.gov.uk, from 1 October 2014, the government will require all suppliers bidding for certain contracts which are assessed as higher risk to be Cyber Essentials certified.

CREST, an approved accreditation body under the UK Government Cyber Essentials scheme, certifies its member companies to provide required Cyber Essentials services such as vulnerability assessments. As a CREST member company that provides penetration testing and vulnerability assessment services, IT Governance is certified to provide Cyber Essentials services according to CREST.

Bookings for the Cyber Essentials Foundation Course on 28 August 2014 can be made online at www.itgovernance.co.uk/shop/p-1617.aspx.

For more information about IT Governance's CREST-approved penetration testing services, visit www.itgovernance.co.uk/penetration-testing-packages.aspx.

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