

Second event on the UK Government's Cyber Essentials Scheme to be hosted in London in July

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ELY, CAMBRIDGESHIRE, UK, July 8, 2014 /EINPresswire.com/ -- IT Governance, a global cyber security provider and CREST-accredited certification body for the UK Government <u>Cyber Essentials Scheme</u>, has announced that it will host a second event dedicated to the Cyber Essentials Scheme (CES) that will take place on 17 July 2014 at No.2 Royal Mint Court in London. Places can be booked here: www.itgovernance.co.uk/shop/p-1572.aspx

This second event takes place only three weeks after it was first held in June. The June event saw a high-profile list of industry experts, government figures and representatives from FTSE 500 companies discuss the Scheme and how to achieve certification.

Amitabha Sikder, Information security Manager at ELEXON, who attended the event, commented, "[I] appreciate your effort to arrange such a brilliant seminar."

Alan Calder, Founder and Executive Chairman of IT Governance, says, "We are delighted with the interest that the Cyber Essentials Scheme is generating. With our first event in June, we saw more booking requests than we could accommodate; we decided to schedule a second event in order to give everyone the opportunity to learn about the new Scheme and what it means for British organisations."

Following the official release of the Cyber Essentials Scheme on 5 June 2014 by the UK Government, it was announced that British organisations that meet the Scheme's assessment requirements will be awarded a badge to demonstrate compliance. There will be two levels of compliance: Cyber Essentials and Cyber Essentials Plus.

It was also announced that from 1 October 2014, the UK Government will require suppliers from specific industries (including banking) that bid for certain contracts assessed as higher risk or which require the handling of sensitive and personal information to be Cyber Essentials certified.

Calder says, "Organisations in the UK should start implementing the Cyber Essential Scheme as soon as possible. It's the only way to maintain competitiveness and, crucially, it will help to ensure that they have implemented the basic cyber security controls to protect themselves from the growing cyber threat.

"Previous attendees at our event have indicated that they will be certifying to the scheme as soon as possible, and I believe that these early-adopters will be truly ahead of the competition when the Scheme becomes more widely adopted."

Places at the 'Cyber Essentials – The UK Government Scheme to improve cyber security' event can be booked here: www.itgovernance.co.uk/shop/p-1572.aspx.

IT Governance has also recently launched new Cyber Essentials certification services and supporting packages for SMEs. Find out more here: www.itgovernance.co.uk/cyber-essentials-scheme.aspx.

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