

## IT Governance certifies technology vendor MASS to Cyber Essentials Plus

ELY, UK, November 20, 2014 /EINPresswire.com/ -- IT Governance, the leading cyber security services provider and CREST-accredited certification body for the UK Government's <u>Cyber Essentials</u> scheme, is pleased to award <u>MASS</u>, a high-tech defence, security and education company, their Cyber Essentials Plus certificate.

Alan Calder, founder and executive chairman of IT Governance, says, "I am pleased to congratulate MASS on successfully meeting the Cyber Essential Plus requirements. Compliance with the Cyber Essentials scheme demonstrates an organisation's commitment to securing valuable data, and compliance with the scheme is essential to ensure better protection from cyber attacks."

The Cyber Essentials scheme, which was officially launched on 5 June 2014 by the UK Government, was developed to keep UK business safe. It aims to offer a baseline for cyber security and sets out the key steps to manage cyber risks.

Since 1 October 2014, the UK Government has required organisations to prove their compliance with the scheme in order to bid for government contracts that involve the handling of sensitive and personal information, and the provision of certain technical products and services.

The Cyber Essentials scheme applies to small- and medium-sized organisations and large companies alike. British organisations that meet the scheme's assessment requirements are awarded a badge to demonstrate compliance. There are two levels of compliance: Cyber Essentials and Cyber Essentials Plus.

A list of companies certified by IT Governance can be seen at: <u>www.itgovernance.co.uk/cyber-essentials-certified-organisations.aspx</u>.

The fixed-price Do It Yourself Cyber Essentials Plus certification service from IT Governance can be booked online at <u>www.itgovernance.co.uk/shop/p-1626-cyber-essentials-plus-certification.aspx</u>.

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MASS (<u>www.mass.co.uk</u>) is an electronic warfare and secure information systems business, delivering through-life capability in the form of high-technology solutions, training and trusted managed services. These are underpinned by a contract research and development capability, with strengths in system engineering and project management. Expert areas include electronic warfare operational support, managed services, secure networks, cyber security, integrated solutions and unmanned air systems. The company was founded in 1983, joined Cohort plc in 2006, and is based near St Neots in Cambridgeshire with offices and a state-of-the-art training facility in Lincoln. MASS employs over 220 people (including operational and technical experts, academics, engineers and technical specialists) and most staff have national security clearance.

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