European merchants need to increase electronic payment security, warns IT Governance

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM, November 25, 2014 /EINPresswire.com/ -- IT Governance, the international provider of information security expertise, urges EU businesses to improve the security of their card handling operations by ensuring their conformance to the latest iteration of the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS).

As the 1 January 2015 deadline for transitioning to PCI DSS version 3.0 fast approaches, merchants should consider what they need to do now in order to be compliant with the new version of the Standard next year.

As Jeremy King, European director of the Payment Card Industry Security Standards Council (PCI SSC), recently said, “Cyber criminals have intensified the attack on US merchants as they move to the more secure chip and PIN system based on the EMV standard already widely used in Europe. “However, this does not mean that European merchants can relax because cyber criminals are targeting online transactions where the EMV standard still offers little protection.”
Alan Calder, founder and chief executive of IT Governance, agrees. “Card fraud remains a serious problem in Europe, so organisations need to ensure their payment processing systems meet the requirements of PCI DSS version 3.

“All EU enterprises that transmit, store or process payment card details must comply with the PCI DSS. The newest version of the Standard will come into effect on 1 January 2015, so it is vital that merchants act now so that they conform to the new version by their next annual validation. IT Governance’s PCI DSS v3.0 Documentation Toolkit can help them.”

The PCI DSS v3.0 Documentation Toolkit has been specifically designed by IT Governance to help payment card-accepting merchants comply with PCI DSS v3.0. Not only does it provide compliant documentation templates for all of the Standard’s mandatory policies and guidelines, it also contains a gap analysis tool to assess your level of compliance against PCI DSS v3.0 and identify where you need to make changes.

Find out more: www.itgovernance.eu/p-573.aspx.

For further information on this service, or to make a general enquiry about PCI DSS v3.0, call IT Governance on 00 800 48 484 484 or email servicecentre@itgovernance.eu.

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