



# IT Governance certifies Careers South West Ltd to Cyber Essentials

ELY, UK, January 14, 2015 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [IT Governance](#), the leading cyber security services provider and CREST-accredited certification body for the UK Government's [Cyber Essentials scheme](#), is pleased to award Careers South West Ltd (CSW) its Cyber Essentials certificate.

CSW, a provider of information, advice and guidance services for young people in Cornwall, Devon and Somerset, has successfully met the Cyber Essentials criteria. Its newly won Cyber Essentials badge is proof that it has implemented the cyber security controls mandated by the scheme.

Alan Calder, founder and executive chairman of IT Governance, says: "I am pleased to congratulate CSW on their successful certification to Cyber Essentials. It is a well-deserved recognition that the company takes cyber security seriously, and an example that should be followed by every company in the UK."

The Cyber Essentials scheme offers two levels of certification: Cyber Essentials and Cyber Essentials Plus.

Cyber Essentials requires companies to complete a self-assessment questionnaire, signed off by a senior company representative, which is then verified by an external certification body. An external vulnerability scan will also be required if the company has chosen to be certified through a CREST-approved certification body.

Cyber Essentials Plus requires a more advanced level of assurance, in addition to the requirements stated for Cyber Essentials. This level of assurance is reached by an internal assessment and internal scan, conducted on-site by the certification body.

Since 1 October 2014, UK organisations bidding for government contracts that involve the handling of sensitive and personal information, and the provision of certain technical products and services have been required to prove compliance with Cyber Essentials or Cyber Essentials Plus, depending on specific requirements.

IT Governance has simplified compliance for companies thanks to its packaged solutions for certification to Cyber Essentials and Cyber Essentials Plus. Each of these solutions enables every organisation to know exactly what their chosen journey to Cyber Essentials certification will cost them.

Recently, the cyber security provider launched [CyberComply](#) – a unique online service that enables companies to apply for certification to Cyber Essentials, following a convenient 'do it yourself' approach.

The IT Governance Cyber Essentials Certification service, including CyberComply, can be booked online at [www.itgovernance.co.uk/shop/p-1622.aspx](http://www.itgovernance.co.uk/shop/p-1622.aspx).

Alternatively, organisations can call +44 (0)845 070 1750 or send an email to request a custom quote.

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