

Growing number of corporate cyber attacks in Ireland a cause for concern, says security expert

As consumers become increasingly anxious about what happens to their data, security expert Alan Calder urges European companies to implement ISO 27001.

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM, May 12, 2015 /EINPresswire.com/ -- At a time when consumers and clients throughout Europe are increasingly anxious about how companies are securing their personal data, security expert Alan Calder of international information security provider IT Governance is urging Irish companies to implement the international standard for information security management, ISO 27001, to strengthen their information security and prevent data breaches.

Research from the Irish Computer Society, published in January, found that more than half of Irish companies suffered a security incident last year. Data breaches, hacking incidents, employee negligence and external attacks all increased – almost one in five Irish companies claimed to have fallen victim to malicious external attack.



Examine the findings further, and the reason for these statistics quickly becomes obvious:



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- •One in three Irish companies has no corporate data breach policy.
- •Almost half of Irish firms' staff are poorly trained for data breaches.
- •Most Irish companies have no guidelines on transferring data outside the country.

Alan Calder, founder and executive chairman of IT Governance, says: "One way of countering this trend is to implement best-practice information security controls. ISO 27001 sets out the requirements of an enterprise-wide information security management system (ISMS), a risk-based approach to information security that encompasses

people, processes, and technology.

"Organisations of all sizes, sectors and locations can use ISO 27001 to implement and maintain security controls to mitigate the specific threats they face, and accredited certification to the Standard enables organisations to demonstrate that they are following a best-practice approach to information security."

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