

## IT Governance delivers Europe's first General Data Protection Regulation Practitioner qualification

ELY, CAMBRIDGESHIRE, UNITED KINGDOM, September 22, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- IT Governance, the leading provider of cybersecurity and data protection expertise, is delighted to deliver the first General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) qualification available in Europe.

This follows a report that suggests Europe will need at least 28,000 data protection officers (DPOs). Although the Regulation does not define the precise qualifications a DPO must hold, it does require that they have "expert knowledge of data protection law and practices".



Alan Calder, the founder and chief executive officer of IT Governance, said: "Recent reports forecast an increasing demand for qualified staff

to fulfil the role of data protection officer under the GDPR. To help individuals get a comprehensive understanding of the Regulation or fulfil the role of DPO, we have developed two GDPR training courses, with qualifications at Foundation and Practitioner level, both accredited by IBITGQ."

IT Governance's certified GDPR training courses reinforce the long-held view that valuable IT qualifications are awarded by independent, international, and accredited examination bodies.

To achieve a GDPR qualification, individuals will be required to attend either the one-day <u>Certified</u> <u>GDPR Foundation (GDPR F) training course</u> or the four-day <u>Certified GDPR Practitioner (GDPR P)</u> <u>training course</u>, and pass an exam to assess their mastery of the topic.

The GDPR Foundation training course is designed to provide attendees with a comprehensive understanding of the Regulation. The GDPR Practitioner training course covers the Regulation in greater depth, including implementation requirements, the necessary policies and procedures, as well as effective data security management, and is a vital qualification for the role of DPO. Both qualifications will help organisations to comply with the Regulation when it comes into force across the EU in May 2018.

Delegates wishing to attend both courses can benefit from a 15% discount by booking a place on the Certified EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) Foundation and Practitioner Combination Course.

To book your place on IT Governance's Certified General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) Foundation or Practitioner training courses, visit the website, email servicecentre@itgovernance.co.uk, or contact the team direct on +44 (0)845 070 1750.

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