Organisations urged to get ahead of cyber criminals by identifying vulnerabilities in network and web applications

ELY, CAMBRIDGESHIRE, UNITED KINGDOM, October 19, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- IT Governance, the leading cyber security consultancy firm and CREST-accredited certification body, is urging organisations to identify critical vulnerabilities in their network and web applications in order to get ahead of cyber criminals.

This comes in response to headlines all around the world reporting that cyber criminals still prefer less costly and simpler methods to exploit organisations' vulnerabilities.

Alan Calder, the founder and chief executive officer of IT Governance, said: "We encourage organisations to identify critical vulnerabilities in their network and web applications, and to be careful during this busy period before Christmas. Cyber criminals are looking to take advantage of businesses shifting their focus to marketing promotions and boosting sales, and want to use your business as their goldmine."

Organisations should conduct regular penetration testing in order to identify the weaknesses and vulnerabilities that cyber criminals exploit. As a CREST member, IT Governance can assure organisations that its penetration tests meet the highest industry standards. Once the penetration test has been completed, IT Governance provides a technical report that details the vulnerabilities found, a list of the recommended countermeasures, and an executive summary of the risks and what they mean in business terms.

"Cyber criminals and hackers target information that can be easily stolen via web applications and poorly protected networks. Contrary to common views, automated vulnerability scans are not enough to secure web applications," Alan Calder continued.

To help organisations identify vulnerabilities in their networks and web applications before cyber criminals do, IT Governance supports its automated scans with manual testing led by highly-qualified penetration testers.

IT Governance's Infrastructure (Network) Penetration Test provides a complete solution to effectively testing an organisation's IT network infrastructure and ensuring the organisation's systems are secure against a range of constantly evolving cyber threats.

Organisations can also identify potential vulnerabilities in their websites and web applications by opting for the consultant-driven Web Application Penetration Test, which identifies potential vulnerabilities and provides recommendations for improving the organisation's security posture, while

facilitating compliance with the PCI DSS and ISO 27001.

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