IT Governance launches webinar series to help businesses comply with the PCI DSS

ELY, CAMBRIDGESHIRE, UNITED KINGDOM, November 7, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- IT Governance, the leading provider of IT governance, risk management and compliance solutions, is launching a webinar series to help organisations achieve compliance with the PCI DSS.

With cybercrime on the increase, payment card security is increasingly a focus for companies. The Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) is there to help businesses that take card payments protect their payment systems from breaches and theft of cardholder data.

The findings from the Verizon 2017 Payment Security Report demonstrate a link between organisations being compliant with the standard, and their ability to defend themselves against cyberattacks.

Overall PCI compliance has increased amongst global businesses, with 55.4 percent of organisations Verizon assessed passing their interim assessment in 2016. However, this means that nearly half of organisations that take card payments are still failing to maintain compliance from year to year.

Failure to implement the Standard could have severe repercussions with the imminent introduction of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). Under the new EU legislation, a breach where cardholder data includes any information that could be used to identify the individual is likely to be liable under both the PCI DSS and the GDPR.

Alan Calder, IT Governance's founder and executive chairman, said "Companies, both large and small, need to act now and start putting in place robust standards and procedures to counter the threat, or face the prospect of paying substantial costs in regulatory fines and reputational harm to their brand."

Those that are already compliant with the PCI DSS – or are moving towards compliance – have a head start and can use their existing PCI compliance efforts as a stepping stone towards GDPR compliance."

The first webinar in the series 'PCI DSS: Challenge or opportunity?' will be delivered by IT Governance's Qualified Security Assessor to gain a practical introduction to the PCI DSS. Taking place on 12 December 2017 from 3:00 – 4:00 pm (GMT).

This webinar outlines the 12 requirements of the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) relating to the storage, transmission and processing of cardholder data. We outline the major PCI DSS challenges faced by merchants, and based on our experience we offer recommendations to help achieve and maintain PCI DSS compliance more effectively. Our consultants will also explain

how compliance with the PCI DSS can help you meet the requirements of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

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This free webinar series includes:
• How to prepare for a PCI audit and ensure a successful audit outcome.
• Help with identify the right Self-Assessment Questionnaire (SAQ) for your business.
• Step-by-step guidance on how to reduce the scope the cardholder data environment.
• The security testing guidelines to achieve compliance with the Standard.
• How to identify which policies and clauses you need to address

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