

News in Brief: January 2008

MERGER UPDATE



To celebrate the launch of the combined organisation, and promote our aims and plans for 2008 and beyond, we will be holding a Champagne Reception at St. Pancras International Station on Tuesday 26th February 2008. This is primarily a marketing function, to raise awareness amongst organisations we plan to be developing close working relationships with during 2008.

VIPs already confirmed to attend include our Patron (Lord Stevens of Kirkwhelpington), our President (Lord Carlile of Berriew QC) and our Vice-President (Rt. Hon Bruce George MP). Baroness Henig will also be attending.

We have a limited number of tickets available for members at £30 each – as usual first come (with payment!) first served. Please use the Booking Form on our website [Diary of Events](#). Corporate sponsorship, including 2 tickets, starts at £250.

OTHER MERGER NEWS

Huge progress has been made behind the scenes at picking out the best bits from the two previous organisations, and refining them into one. We now have a combined membership database and new global email distribution lists. Letters and information packs have been sent to former IISec members, which included a copy of the previous (2007) yearbook – we will be producing an Annual Report instead of a yearbook in 2008, and will transfer some of the previous content to our website. This will include an updated list of members, including name, company, email, and membership grade and business category – more on this next month.

Everyone should now have logins for the members' area of the web. New pages are being added each month and Di welcomes new ideas. Work continues to produce replacement membership certificates where needed. All of the IISec examination and study material is being rebranded, and we are working closely with Perpetuity to update the Syl Certificate of Security Management information where needed.

New membership cards will be available in March/April, and anyone wanting to replace their existing card will be able to purchase a replacement for £10. You will need to supply a digital passport-size/quality photo.

Director Responsibilities were agreed at our first Board meeting, and these will be posted on our website in February. All Committees are being reviewed, and next month we will be able to tell you about the launch of our new Academic Board.

We owe a big vote of thanks to our Admin team – Di Thomas and Paula Stanbridge – who have worked flat out since 11th December to merge the back-office processes of the two organisations. Their responsibilities are:

Paula Stanbridge, Membership & Examinations Secretary, Tel: 01803 663275, paula@security-institute.org
Duties include: Processing new members & supporting the Validation and Academic Boards; Administration of DLP and Examinations, working closely with the Academic Board, and Questions and Answers Committees; Updating all member databases and files, & subscription renewals.

You can contact Paula all day on Mondays, and Tues-Fri mornings 9:30am– 2:30pm

Di Thomas, General Manager, Tel: 08453 707717, di@security-institute.org
Duties include: Newsletters, website, publicity & press releases, marketing, working with other organisations, financial management, support to the Board of Directors, co-ordination of all Events including AGM, Annual Dinner, Annual Lunch, Autumn Ball, Annual Conference Seminars, and Members Evenings, and all other general enquiries.
Di now works fulltime.

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USING SUPPORTERS LOGO

Apologies to those that are still waiting for the Security Institute Supporters logo – we will be dealing with this in February, once we have completed the Financial Year End and January subs renewal chasing!

WEBSITE NEWS

New Year, New Job! Good news for anyone looking for a new job in 2008. We are now offering to post a FREE mini-CV in the members' area of the web, for other members to see. Only CVs using the Syl form will be posted, to be fair to all. Companies with vacancies to fill can also forward job adverts to the GM for posting on the web if they wish.

ONLINE BOOKING SYSTEM

Thank you to everyone who used the new online Events Booking System (EBS) to reserve places at Syl Events in January. It worked like a dream! The next step will be to add the online payment facility, which we plan to implement during February. You will then be able to book AND PAY for events, such as Annual Dinner (10th April) and Annual Lunch (5th June). A word of caution, though - please make sure you add your name and company when booking!

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

The following were successfully admitted as new members following validation at the end of December:

Associate

Heather Hughes	MITIE Security	heather.w.hughes@aexp.com
Alexander Roth	Kuehne & Nagel	alex.roth@kuehne-nagel.com

Member

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Gwilym Bowen	Arriva Trains Wales	gwilym.bowen@arrivatw.co.uk

Revalidated to Fellow

Donald Randall	JP Morgan	Don.w.randall@jpmorgan.com
Watson McAteer	Royal Bank of Scotland	Watson.mcateer@rbs.co.uk

IF YOU HAVE A FEW MINUTES

- Visit www.surveys.skillsforsecurity.org.uk/security_management/ to provide feedback to Skills for Security/ARC Training who are considering launching Sy Management training which may lead to an MSc with Middlesex Uni.
- Visit www.security-institute.org/59/Members_Area.html to provide Frank Cannon MSyl with help for his BSc (Hons) Risk & Security degree with Portsmouth Uni. He is looking at CP training and whether the NOS used by SIA-approved CP training providers give delegates the necessary skills to do the job.
- Visit www.security-survey.gov.uk to read about the Department for Business Enterprise and Regulatory Reform's Information Security Breaches Survey, being managed by PricewaterhouseCoopers. This represents the most authoritative survey on information security in the UK, and takes no more than 5 mins to complete.

DISCOUNTS & SPECIAL OFFERS *Please quote your membership number when booking.*

The Association of Security Consultants has published event dates for 2008 (see our web – Diary of Events), and offer Syl members discounts ON EVERYTHING. Well done, ASC!

Security Oracle.com offer Syl members 15% off the cost of vacancy advertisement packages. Contact Andy Greenfield MSyl on 01737 642424 or andrewg@securityoracle.com

REMINDER

Whilst Syl encourages informal personal networking between members, it is opposed to the use of the membership as a tool for direct marketing approaches to other members, such as unsolicited e-mails.

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