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## NEWS:

### ***Penetration Test Focus Group Update: 7 November, Context Offices, Canary Wharf, London***

The first meeting of the new focus group for penetration testing was held on the 7th November in London. There was strong representation from the member companies and everyone was very happy to share their opinions and experiences. Context kindly hosted the working group, and Gemma Moore from Cyberis lead the group.

A key objective of the day was to review the penetration testing accreditation processes to ensure that they remain fit for purpose and abreast of technological advancements. Areas that were covered included:

- defining a CREST penetration test and its subsequent reporting to clients
- reviewing the penetration testing examination syllabuses
- reviewing the penetration testing membership accreditation processes

The focus group will also help to coordinate all of the penetration testing workshops and events that CREST runs throughout the year. The next meeting takes place on 28th January in Cheltenham.

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**CREST Fellowship Awards 2020**

12th November, Tanner Warehouse, London

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# NEWS:

## **The CREST Fellowship Awards Dinner 2019**

The 2019 CREST Fellowship Awards Ceremony and Dinner event took place on 14th November at the Tanner Warehouse in London. The Awards evening is a great opportunity for CREST Members and the technical cyber security industry community to get together and celebrate excellence in a relaxed atmosphere. It was the third annual awards and as always a great time was had by all as you will be able to see from the photos. With horse-riding, balloon making and even a round of cyber bingo courtesy of our very own bingo caller Debbie Jones. Congratulations to the winning table **I.N.T.E.L.L.I.G.E.N.C.E.**

The CREST Fellowship Awards is an annual event that recognises individuals for their achievement or contribution within CREST or the technical information security industry as a whole.

A CREST Fellowship is awarded for life and Fellows are allowed to use the CREST Fellowship title FCREST in personal and business activities.

**A highlights video of the event will also be available shortly!**

**However, in all of the fun we must not forget what we were all there for and huge congratulations to all of the new CREST Fellows:**



Alejo Murillo Moya  
Atholl Stewart  
David Johnson  
Douglas McLeod  
Ian Reynolds  
James Riden  
Jonathan Sword  
Konstantinos Tzannetakos  
Marc Wickenden

Mark Nicholls  
Michael Norton  
Sam Kitchen  
Tengku Zahasman Bin  
Tuan Hashim  
Oliver Church  
Rowland Johnson  
Elaine Luck



# UPDATES:

## ***New exam discount offer for CREST Member Companies***

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CREST is pleased to announce a discount structure for all Member Companies that applies to the purchase of vouchers for exams taken at Pearson Vue centers around the world.

The discounts apply to exams at all levels (Practitioner, Registered and Certified) and are only valid for the written exams taken at Pearson Vue Centres.

The following discounts will apply:

**1-9 vouchers    0% discount**

**10-49 vouchers 10% discount**

**50+ vouchers    15% discount**

For information on how to purchase the vouchers please contact [exambookings@crest-approved.org](mailto:exambookings@crest-approved.org)

## ***Other CREST Focus Groups Update***

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CREST's Focus Groups are being established to help with CREST's continual monitoring of best practice in these specific groups. They provide a sector specific focus for members and offer the opportunity for them to benefit from purposeful networking opportunities.

Thank you to everyone who has expressed interest in the Incident Response and SOC groups. We will be getting dates for the initial meetings in early Q1 2020 shortly.

If you are interested in being involved in any of the groups (PT, IR or SOC), or if you would like to put yourself forward as the lead for IR or SOC, or if you are able to offer a venue for the group to meet then please contact [sarah.cox@crest-approved.org](mailto:sarah.cox@crest-approved.org)

## ***The member networking drinks at the Hard Rock Café in Manchester***

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Thank you to all of the members who came to the networking drinks in Manchester on 6th November.



You Rock! It was certainly a great opportunity for members to network with one another and also to speak to both Ian Glover and Mark Turner in an informal setting. This was the first of this particular format of member meet ups and we are planning a series of them in 2020. We are also back in Manchester in February.



## ***Social Engineering workshop: 3rd October, BAE Systems, Guildford***

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The objective of this workshop was to examine what social engineering is, what its boundaries are and look to the future and how technology may have an impact. The workshop was led by Gemma Moore from Cyberis and was extremely popular. There was a lot of feedback and some very interesting ideas put forward by the participants. These were collated and a report from the day has been distributed to attendees and is available on request to all CREST members – please contact [marketing@crest-approved.org](mailto:marketing@crest-approved.org). Thank you to BAE Systems for allowing us to use their premises for the workshop.

## ***Training Providers Workshop: 2nd October, BSI House in Hemel Hempstead***

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The workshop was led by Adriana Cost-McFadden, who is now responsible for CATP's as well as the Academic Partner programme. Attendees included representatives from 7safe, Bob's Business, Crucial, iHack Labs, Net Security Training and QA. An update on the current training scheme, training modules and exam syllabus was given. Stuart Morgan also very kindly volunteered to host the 'Ask the Assessor' session. This proved extremely useful. Thank you to all of you who were able to attend and to BSI for allowing us to use their premises.



# NEWS:

## 44CON: 11th-13th September, ILEC Conference Centre

CREST are regular exhibitors of 44CON. It is always a busy event and 44CON 2019 was no different. We met many members, and there was a lot of interest in examinations. As well as existing members, 44CON has a great social feel that allows us to talk to potential members as well. Thank you to the organisers for including us.



## Video Interview: Proactive and Reactive Security Approaches

Editor of Infosecurity Magazine, Michael Hill, talks to Tom Brennan, Chair, CREST USA and Ian Glover, President, CREST International at Infosecurity ISACA North America 2019 about proactive and reactive security approaches: <https://www.infosecurity-magazine.com/interviews/infosecna-video-interview-security/>

## CRESTCON Asia

CRESTCon Asia took place on 20th September 2019. Run by AiSP (Association of Information Security Professionals) CREST's Chapter Partner in Singapore, CRESTCon Asia is in its second year and it brought together leading technical and business information security professionals to share recent cybersecurity research and methodologies in areas such as penetration testing and incident response.

A number of the presentations from the event are now available on the CREST YouTube Channel. Here is a link to the CRESTCon Asia Playlist: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLZ2XFVIKJM5vrx66GBHIGhroGbKwAyDaP>



## ***CREST Malaysia Chapter Established***

CREST signed an agreement on 19th September 2019 with the Malaysian Chapter to expand its certifications framework to the domestic cyber security industry. CREST Malaysia Chapter Chairman, Jason Yuen said, "We are delighted to have signed this agreement which will enable us to work closely with CREST International on improving the standards of cyber security in Malaysia. As the cyber threat landscape constantly evolves, we must take cyber security seriously and suppliers of cyber security services must improve their standards to ensure Malaysia's cyberspace is safe for business".

The signing ceremony, held in conjunction with a knowledge sharing session by Bank Negara Malaysia and CREST International, was also witnessed by an Assistant

Governor, as it signifies the regulator's commitment in supporting strong industry partnership for capacity and capability building in the local cyber security domain, benefiting specifically the financial sector and Malaysia in general.

Rowland Johnson, CREST International Director said, "Through collaboration with industry, CREST has built a meaningful framework for measuring the capability of cyber security companies and their workforce. CREST Malaysia Chapter will provide a platform for local governments, regulators and buyers in identifying capable suppliers that can deliver high quality and accredited technical security services."

***"CREST believes this will indirectly raise the skillsets and professionalism of service providers and help improve the security of Malaysia's cyberspace."***



# NEWS:

## **CRESTCon Australia – 18th March 2020, Hotel Realm, Canberra - Update**

**More information on ticket booking at [www.crestcon.org/au](http://www.crestcon.org/au)**

The inaugural CRESTCon Australia will bring together professional expertise in the technical security industry, welcoming delegates in a wide range of positions from CISOs and senior managers, through to senior penetration testers, threat intelligence analysts and brand-new entrants to the industry.

Tickets cost \$150 at the early bird rate until 30th January. After that a standard ticket will be \$250. CREST member companies get two free tickets and all other tickets at 50% off the standard ticket price.

The call for papers is open – details are online at: <https://www.crestcon.org/au/call-for-papers/>

We are looking for presentations on a wide variety of cyber security topics, however they must be technical in nature. We are particularly interested in anything that will showcase new or ongoing security research, present new threats and vulnerabilities or highlight advances and innovation in security testing techniques, tools or methodologies. We would also love to hear about your real-life stories and experiences.

## **CRESTCon Australia Sponsorship**

There are a range of sponsorship packages available, details are available at: <https://www.crestcon.org/au/sponsorship-packages/> CREST members get a discount on the published rate and should contact [marketing@crest-approved.org](mailto:marketing@crest-approved.org) to discuss.

## **CRESTCon 2020, 14th May, London UK – Update**

Details are online here: <https://www.crestcon.org/uk/call-for-papers/>

Stream one is dedicated to the art of penetration testing – its techniques, tools and of course we want to hear your stories.



Stream two is incident response and threat intelligence. Again, we are very interested in hearing as many real-life stories as possible. We are also looking for presentations that cover cutting edge research security research, present new threats and vulnerabilities or highlight advances and innovation in security testing techniques, tools or methodologies.

If you have a proposal for a presentation, please email a synopsis along with your biography to [allie.andrews@crest-approved.org](mailto:allie.andrews@crest-approved.org) by 15th January 2020 for consideration by the CREST conference review committee.

Speakers will be given a 30 or 45-minute session to include a Q&A.



CRESTCon will be celebrating its 10th Anniversary in 2020 and is a key date in the industry calendar, attracting an impressive line-up of speakers and delegates from new entrants to senior penetration testers and CISOs. Presenting at CRESTCon gives you the chance to share your experience, skills and knowledge with over 400 senior delegates from the professional security industry. CRESTCon 2020 is on 14th May at Royal College of Physicians, London. For more information go to: [www.crestcon.co.uk](http://www.crestcon.co.uk). Interviews with last year's speakers can be found at: [www.youtube.com/crestadvocate](https://www.youtube.com/crestadvocate)





## CRESTCon Sponsorship

As a member you can get favourable sponsorship packages the delegates are made up of CREST member companies and the job roles can vary from Founders, CEO, Senior Consultants, Penetration Testers, Threat Intelligence Managers, Incident Response Managers. We have people from Bank of England, Cabinet Office, Department of Trade, Department of Culture, Sport and Media and we have Regulators attend and International contingencies.

Thank you to our exhibitors and sponsors:

### Gold

Titania

### Silver

PwC

Spirent

### Bronze

CheckSec

Obrela

Demo Nettitude

### Training Provider

Austerbury

Bob's Business

Crucial Group

ICSI

iHackLabs

Immersive labs

QA

### Community

Techvets

Ceris






White Hat Rally

Security Alliance - theatre Sponsor – CTI and IR stage

If you are interested in discussing sponsorship, contact [marketing@crest-approved.org](mailto:marketing@crest-approved.org). As well as exhibiting we have a number of other opportunities available, for example, you can sponsor the student demo room or the garden party in the evening. Just get in touch!



## Welcome to our new Members

| Organisation  |                       |
|---|-----------------------|
|  <b>Applied Risk</b>                           | Applied Risk          |
|  <b>CARETOWER</b><br>I.T. Security Specialists | Caretower Ltd         |
|  <b>COALFIRE.</b>                              | Coalfire              |
|  <b>CyberRisk</b>                              | CyberRisk             |
|  <b>CYBOURN</b>                               | CyBourn SA            |
|  <b>ITDefence</b>                            | ITDefence Private Ltd |
|  <b>RSA</b>                                  | RSA Security LLC      |

## CREST YouTube and webinars

We have been working hard to keep a regular flow of new content to the CREST YouTube channel. Please let us know if there is anything in particular you would like to see – we welcome your ideas and suggestions for content we can add. The new shorter style day in the life films that debuted at this year's CRESTCon have been proving very popular and we are still keen to film as many of these as possible. If you are happy to be filmed then please contact [rachel.williams@crest-approved.org](mailto:rachel.williams@crest-approved.org) to arrange.

We usually have a film crew at CREST events. Alternatively, we can film remotely via our webinar solution or if you have a number of people in your organisation who would like to be filmed, we can come to your offices and film using a smartphone solution.

We are also looking at recording more webinars with members and are flexible on the content; as long as it is security related and the content is technical, educational and not marketing focused.

If you would like CREST to record, promote and put your webinar on the CREST YouTube channel then contact [marketing@crest-approved.org](mailto:marketing@crest-approved.org).

If you would like to subscribe to the CREST YouTube channel then click here: [https://www.youtube.com/crestadvocate?sub\\_confirmation=1](https://www.youtube.com/crestadvocate?sub_confirmation=1)





# Event Diary

## EVENTS Diary:

| Month       | Event & Location  | Type                  | Date      |
|-------------|---|-----------------------|-----------|
| Dec 2019    | CTIPS drinks reception London   | Networking and drinks | 4 Dec     |
| Dec 2019    | Scoping Workshop for VA providers with Police Digital Security Centre Hemel Hempstead | Workshop              | 13 Dec    |
| Dec 2019    | Scoping Workshop for TI providers with Police Digital Security Centre Hemel Hempstead | Workshop              | 18 Dec    |
| <b>2020</b> |   |                       |           |
| Jan 2020    | Member Networking & Drinks Cheltenham   | Networking and drinks | TBC       |
| Feb 2020    | Member Networking & Drinks Manchester   | Networking and drinks | 13 Feb    |
| Feb 2020    | CTIPS Conference TBC  | Conference            | 26 Feb    |
| Mar 2020    | CREST technical information security briefing, South Africa Johannesburg              | CREST event           | 5 Mar     |
| Mar 2020    | CRESTCon Australia Canberra   | CREST annual event    | 18 Mar    |
| May 2020    | CRESTCon 2020 London  | CREST annual event    | 14 May    |
| May 2020    | CyberUK Wales   | Exhibition            | 19-20 May |
| June 2020   | Infosecurity Europe London  | Exhibition            | 2-4 June  |
| July 2020   | Access to Cyber Security Day 2020 London  | CREST annual event    | 8 July    |
| Sept 2020   | 44CON London  | Exhibition            | 9-11 Sept |
| TBC         | Responsible Reporting TBC   | CREST Workshop        | TBC       |



# Workshops

## CREST Workshops:

### Scoping Workshop for Vulnerability Assessment providers with CREST and the Police Digital Security Centre

*13th December*

10am – 3pm, BSI, Hemel Hempstead

CREST has been asked by the Police Digital Security Centre (PDSC) to work with them to help develop their thinking so they can continue to support organisations across the UK and reduce their vulnerability to cybercrime.

As part of this they would like to discuss developing a comprehensive, sustainable and industry-wide certification scheme and will be holding a series of workshops with key stakeholders to clearly define the scope and content of the scheme. CREST has been asked to run the workshops. Some of the work will be based on the meta standard work that CREST has been conducting. It will not be in direct competition with Cyber Essentials.

This initial scoping workshop is for providers of Vulnerability Assessment, to develop thinking in this area. For more information on the PDSC please go to <https://www.policedsc.com/> and here is a link to some background information: <https://www.policedsc.com/certification/digital-security-assessments>.

Thank you to BSI for hosting the workshop for us.

### Scoping Workshop for Threat Intelligence providers with CREST and the Police Digital Security Centre

*18th December*

10am – 3pm, BSI, Hemel Hempstead

CREST has been asked by the Police Digital Security Centre

(PDSC) to work with them to help develop their thinking so they can continue to support organisations across the UK and reduce their vulnerability to cybercrime.

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This workshop is for Threat Intelligence providers to establish how a more comprehensive threat model can be developed to ensure that the certifications meet the evolving threat landscape.

For more information on the PDSC please go to <https://www.policedsc.com/> and here is a link to some background information: <https://www.policedsc.com/certification/digital-security-assessments>.

Places are limited so please contact [marketing@crest-approved.org](mailto:marketing@crest-approved.org) as soon as possible to book your place.

**Apologies for the short notice but the PDSC is keen to get the workshops done before Christmas and the project underway.**

**Thank you to BSI for hosting the workshop for us.**

**Please send comments, offers of help, suggestions and additions for workshops in the future to [marketing@crest-approved.org](mailto:marketing@crest-approved.org)**



## CREST Events:

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### **CTIPS Networking Drinks Reception**

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*4th December,  
Novotel ExCel, London*

The CTIPS (CREST Threat Intelligence Professionals) group is holding a networking drinks reception on 4th December, 5pm- 8pm at Hotel Novotel, London Excel, Upperdeck Bar, 27 Western Gateway, Royal Victoria Dock, E16 1AA. The reception is a stone's throw from Blackhat Europe. CREST has reserved a private area in the bar and will provide drinks and canapés.

### **Member Networking Drinks**

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*13th February – 5pm-10pm  
Hard Rock Café, Manchester*

### **CREST technical information security briefing**

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*5th March 2020 - 8am-1.30pm  
Sandton Convention Centre,  
Johannesburg, South Africa*

This event is being held as part of CREST's commitment to help increase capacity, capability and consistency in information security across Africa.

### **CRESTCon Australia 2020**

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*18th March 2020  
18 National Circuit,  
Canberra ACT 2600*

The inaugural CRESTCon Australia is an important date in the industry calendar, attracting an impressive line-up of speakers and industry professionals.

Leveraging off 10 years of success in the UK, CRESTCon Australia will welcome delegates

from the security industry in a wide range of positions ranging from CISOs and senior managers through to senior penetration testers, threat intelligence analysts and new entrants to the industry.

A busy exhibition room and a dedicated student demo area will provide the opportunity for students to showcase their work and network with sponsors in a special event. Don't miss out on this industry event.

### **CRESTCon 2020**

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*14th May 2020*

*Royal College of Physicians, 11  
Saint Andrews Place, Regent's  
Park, London NW1 4LE*

Now celebrating its 10th year, CRESTCon UK is an important date in the industry calendar, attracting an impressive line up of speakers. Last year's event welcomed over 450 delegates from the security industry in a wide range of positions that ranged from CISOs and senior managers, through to senior penetration testers, threat intelligence analysts and brand new entrants to the industry.

Along with three conference streams, the event includes two busy exhibition rooms and a dedicated student demo area that provides the opportunity for students to showcase their work. There is also a special networking event for sponsors, students and ex-military personnel that are looking to retrain into cyber careers.

All delegates are also invited to attend an after-event party in the evening and this year this will be held in the botanical garden and will include a barbecue. Separate tickets are available to purchase for this in bulk so sponsors or delegates are able to invite additional guests to network with during the evening.





# Event Diary

## CREST Events:

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### ***CREST Access to Cyber Security Day 2020***

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*8th July 2020*

*IBM Client Centre, London*

A day of workshops and networking focused on ensuring careers in cyber security are made accessible to everyone. There will be a number of workshops that will all aim to educate and offer constructive advice and guidance for both employees and employers. Topics will include stress & burnout; neurodiversity; gender balance and physical disability.



# Industry Events

## Industry Events:

### **International Security Expo**

*3-4 December*

*International Security Expo*

(ISE) is the only flagship event bringing Government, Industry, Academia and the entire end-user community in charge of regulation & procurement together under one roof to debate current challenges and to source the latest security technologies and services. CREST is exhibiting at the event.

### **Infosecurity Europe**

*2-4 June*

*Olympia London*

Infosecurity Europe is the sourcing and knowledge hub for Europe's information and cyber security community. Featuring an interactive exhibition floor with over 400 cutting-edge suppliers, a far-reaching conference programme and a host of networking opportunities, the event brings information and cyber security to life.

Brought to you by Infosecurity Group, with over 23 years of global experience in informing, inspiring and enabling business connections in the information and cyber security industries.

**CREST will be exhibiting at the event**