



The Script

Bulletin

MAY 2022

CONTENTS

NEWS

- President's Update
- The accreditation process evolution
- Website relaunch and branding refresh
- Exams and Training
- CRESTCon Australia
- CREST at Cloud & Cyber Security Expo, ExCel, London
- CISO Roundtable, Singapore
- Latest CREST video content
- Call for Content
- Tom Brennan, chair CREST Americas Council
- Emil Tan, Chair of the Asia Council
- Nigel Phair, Chair of the Australasia Council
- Rob Dartnall, Chair of the UK Council
- Rodrigo Marcos Alvarez, Chair of the EU Council
- CRESTCon UK
- New Members
- CISO Africa

EVENTS DIARY

President's Update



Welcome to this issue of Script! An issue like no other, where we share a huge amount of information and insight about all that has been going on at CREST over the past six months.

When I was appointed CREST International President in September 2021, I joined an organisation that had achieved huge amounts of success and that had a really positive impact on the cyber security industry. Many of you reached out to me to offer your support and suggestions, and over a period of six months I have received very constructive feedback on the areas where you think CREST should do better.

We have worked with multiple stakeholders, both internal and external to redefine both our vision and our mission. When CREST was originally formed back in 2005, it was built to serve the needs of the technical assurance industry in the UK. As we reflect in 2022, the organisation has come a long way. We are now a truly international organisation, with almost 300 members, we deliver examinations in all corners of the globe, and across multiple cyber security disciplines. As a result, it is absolutely time for us to recalibrate our focus, and publish updated statements on where we are heading on what we strive to achieve.

In my first six months in post, I have heard reoccurring threads of feedback that signpost the areas we need to focus on. These areas include the following:

- A renewed focus on adding value to our members.
- Evolution to the accreditation process, to allow clearer differentiation between service providers that demonstrate skills, competencies and capabilities.
- Improvements to the examinations process, with exams that strike the right balance between old technology and new technology. Exams that are objective, scalable and focus on competency measurement. Exams that are flexible, can be taken anytime and anywhere.
- Better alignment with training providers, so people that want to build skills, have clearer pathways to train and develop.
- A need to build stronger governance across the organisation.

These are bold requests, that extend into every corner of the organisation. As a result, the CREST team has been working hard behind the scenes to deliver more of the things that are important to you our members and exam takers. We hope that many of the things that we are pursuing will add huge value back to all of you over the months and years ahead.

Continued over >

[CREST Events](#)
[CREST Workshops](#)
[Industry Events](#)


President's Update

An evolved identity

CREST is rebranding. We are listening, we are adapting and we are responding to your needs. We have a newly appointed leadership team, with Nick Benson joining as our CEO and Andy Woolhead heading up our examination strategy. The rebrand is an evolution, not a revolution however it is a clear signal that we are changing, with a renewed focus on you, our members and our exam takers.

A new website, aimed at connecting buyers with CREST member companies.

We have launched a new website, that is focused on supporting governments, regulators and buyers to engage with CREST accredited companies. This allows our members to create their own content that showcases their capabilities. The site works harder to guide buyers to capable service providers, and we provide sales leads, data and analytics to members about what buyers are searching for, in the hope of providing our members with commercial opportunities. You can read more about the website further on in Script.

Exam updates in 2022

A new exam delivery model, that will leverage remote proctoring to provide exam takers with the ability to take exams anytime and anywhere. This will allow us to deliver exams across the globe, whilst allowing exam takers the ability to take examinations from the convenience of their own home. The movement to this model will take time, however it will commence during 2022, with both registered and certified exams being made available during the year. Andy Woolhead writes at greater length about the changes later on.

Improved pathways into CREST

CREST is delighted to announce strategic relationships with Hack The Box and Immersive Labs. We are working together to develop training pathways through Hack The Box and Immersive labs, that will enable exam takers to better prepare for CREST examinations. As part of the relationships, CREST accredited companies will be given access to dedicated environments that will provide a series of CREST aligned learning and development instances.

In addition, by being a member of CREST, Hack The Box and Immersive Labs will provide reduced cost access to some of their wider lab environments. This is a massive win for both exam takers wanting to build skills, as well as member companies that are looking to develop learning and development pathways. More information about these relationships will be published over the next quarter.

Evolving Accreditation Process

Many of our members have asked us to look at ways to better signpost skills and competencies across our member organisations. In parallel, multiple external stakeholders require us to form views across the wider cyber security ecosystem, considering cyber security training and qualifications from other international examination bodies.

As a result, we have launched an updated accreditation process, that requires all individuals involved in scoping, delivery and sign-off of a CREST accredited service to demonstrate their current levels of skills and competencies. As we move through 2022, we will run a series of industry consultations that will be designed to shift to a tiered accreditation model that we hope to launch in 2023. There's more about the changes later in Script.

A consistent international governance structure

At the end of 2021, we ran a series of elections across all of our regions and we now have elected council members operating in the UK, the EU, the Americas, Asia and Australasia. This new structure is designed to facilitate local decision making that is geared to supporting CREST member companies both domestically and internationally. Through these new councils, we are already forming new strategic alliances with multiple government and regulatory stakeholders, all with the intention of driving opportunities for CREST member companies.

The cyber security industry is evolving rapidly and the needs and expectations from members and external stakeholders is continually increasing. Through our continuous focus on improvement, we aim to be the go-to global organisation for cyber security accreditation and certification.

With renewed focus on the exam candidate experience, and significantly enhanced member benefits, we aim to continually enhance the CREST member company experience. My commitment to all of our exam takers and our CREST member companies that I am laser-focused on supporting you build and enhance the skills and competencies that exist across across industry. We are actively pursuing pathways that drive inclusion, and maximise your existing returns on investment.

CREST has a great pedigree, and we have done fantastic things together to help the industry prosper. These changes that I have described are designed to maximise member benefits, that in turn will take CREST to another level of international influence and insight. By working hand in glove with our members, we aim to build trust in the digital world by raising professional standards and delivering measurable quality assurance for the global cyber security industry.

Rowland Johnson
President of CREST International



NEWS:

Welcoming Nick Benson, CREST Chief Executive Officer



Nick Benson joined CREST in April 2022 as Chief Executive Officer with responsibility for leading all aspects of the business, working with the team and CREST's key stakeholders to drive the evolution of the organisation. He

works closely with Rowland Johnson who, as President of CREST International, will increasingly focus on the strategic future and the internationalisation agenda.

Nick has a track record of building and leading teams through transformation, having previously been the Chief Operating Officer of ORX, the largest global trade association supporting operational risk management in financial services (FS). In this role at ORX, Nick led a programme of fundamental organisational change whilst delivering strong growth and improved service quality.

Before ORX Nick worked in executive roles across finance and risk management divisions at Nationwide Building Society, where he worked in the society's risk division, providing oversight of risk and control management.

A personal message from Nick: *I am absolutely delighted to have taken on the CEO role at CREST at such a positive and pivotal time in its history.*

I feel a sense of pride and responsibility to now be the custodian of the admirable reputation that CREST has built over many years.

As Rowland has articulated, we've had some really insightful feedback from our community which we are already starting to respond to. We are committed to continue listening to you as we steer a course through a significant change agenda.

Digitally transforming our examination and accreditation services and developing our key partnerships are front of mind, which in turn require evolution of our internal governance and organisation.

As a relatively small not-for-profit with a global footprint, we need to invest in our transformation capability to be able to meet the quality and pace expectations of our stakeholders.

This is an area I intend to focus on heavily in my first year so that we create a business model that is agile and scalable, responding to our increasing international presence and the need to deploy flexible digital solutions rapidly.

We have taken some steps already in the right direction and there is a lot of work ongoing behind the scenes to deliver further changes to the way our members and candidates interact with us.

All of this will become increasingly visible to you and I look forward to hearing your feedback on how we're doing along the way.

Welcoming Andy Woolhead, CREST Head of Global Product



As Head of Global Product Andy has responsibility for our certification and candidate assessment strategy.

He joins CREST from his role as Business Development Director at SANS where he worked closely with the UK

Government, MOD and law enforcement.

Prior to that, Andy served in the Royal Navy for 24 years with the majority of his career at sea in a variety of roles including navigation, anti-submarine and Command. His final few jobs in the military took him into the cyber arena where, as Head of Information Warfare, he was responsible for the development of Naval Cyber doctrine.

Andy has an MBA in Cyber Security and GIAC qualifications in Security Leadership, Security Fundamentals Security Awareness Professional.



NEWS:

Accreditation

The accreditation process evolution

Jonathan Armstrong, Principal Accreditor

What's changing?

From now, all individuals involved in the delivery of a CREST accredited service need to be registered with CREST.

There are two parts to this process. The first is a new requirement of the member accreditation process. The second is optional and designed to add value to both members and the industry as a whole.

1. The individual provides some basic information that allows CREST to identify them as a unique entity. As part of this process the individual will be sent the CREST Code of Conduct to read and electronically sign. The application will then be reviewed and the individual will be issued a CREST ID
2. The individual provides additional information about skills, training, examinations and experience.

CREST is asking for this information to gain a better understanding of individual competencies, as they relate to each accredited CREST member organisation. This information will be used to present organisations that have skilled and competent teams more effectively to the buying community, governments and regulators.

The redesigned CREST website has a significant focus on connecting buyers of cyber security services with CREST member companies and it is important that members are able to demonstrate their skills and experience. It is only through people completing step 2 that CREST will be able to do this effectively for its members.

All information shared with CREST through these two accreditation changes will be treated with the strictest confidence and it will not be shared outside of CREST without the permission of the individual. No data shared through this process that is personally identifiable to any individual will be shared with CREST Councils, focus groups, or any other stakeholder that engages with CREST.

How does it work?

We have designed the process to be as quick and simple as possible.

The process for registering individuals responsible for the delivering a CREST accredited service



Why Is CREST doing this?

Step 1

The signed Code of Conduct

From our most recent member survey and meetings, workshops and webinars that followed, CREST received stakeholder feedback that we need to further our efforts to support the industry to professionalise. Part of this is ensuring that both organisations and individuals are more accountable for the services and the guidance that they provide.

We are all aware of instances where individuals delivering cyber security services have behaved inappropriately.

Sometimes because of training issues. In other instances, individuals have consciously chosen unethical behaviours. CREST relies on member organisations to guide and train teams in line with accredited policies, procedures and methodologies. However, we have little ability to enforce any sanction or remediation activity. By asking all individuals to sign up to a code of conduct, they are being asked to attest to following a set of rules, guidance and principles befitting of a CREST accredited company. This enables CREST to have direct engagement with individuals, and both encourage and enforce ongoing professional standards and norms.



NEWS:

Step 2

Skills, knowledge and competency questions

A lot has changed since CREST was set up 15 years ago. For example, CREST now has member companies around the globe. We have democratically elected councils in Asia, the Americas, Australasia, The European Union and the United Kingdom.

To support mobility of labour and contracting markets, CREST has not historically tied the skills and experience of employed individuals directly to the accreditation process. However, this approach means there are increasing numbers of organisations accredited by CREST but there is reduced insight into the skills and competencies of their workforce.

Although CREST has no plans to tie the measurements of skills and competencies directly to the base accreditation process, we recognise the importance of providing greater signposting to buyers of competency.

Following discussions with members and other stakeholders, we are confident that this approach will better support member organisations at all levels. We also expect to introduce additional accreditation tiering alongside the current discipline focused accreditation standards.

A data driven approach to CREST's future

It is hoped that this approach will improve member engagement and allow CREST stakeholders including buyers and regulators, to make informed data-driven decisions instead of ones that are based on gut feeling or intuition.

By gathering insight from multiple data points including, training, examinations, years of experience, industry experience and other specific skills and competency measurements, CREST will gather a rich dataset that captures regional and sectoral analytics.

CREST will clean and anonymise the datasets stripping details about individuals and member organisations. It will be aggregated and normalised to provide insight into the regional and sectoral based skills and knowledge that exists across the globe.

Once this data has been collected, anonymised and normalised, CREST will issue a Competency-Measurement consultation document to all CREST accredited companies. This will present CREST member companies with an opportunity to shape and influence CREST's future accreditation tiers. CREST plans for the consultation period to take place in the second half of 2022, with the new accreditation tiering being formally launched in 2023.

CREST recognises that this signals change and for some stakeholders this may cause uncertainty, but we hope to be able to alleviate this with the ease of transition and the benefits that it will bring. The cyber security industry is growing and maturing at a rapid rate and buyers needs in 2022 are different to the needs that first existed when CREST was formed in 2006. CREST needs to evolve to ensure we remain valuable to our member companies and the other stakeholders that we engage with.



NEWS:

Branding and Website

Website relaunch and branding refresh

Alan Thomson, Communications Manager



As part of the many positive and exciting developments happening across our organisation, we have relaunched the CREST website and refreshed our corporate branding.

The website has undergone a fundamental overhaul to put our members, the buying community, exam candidates, governments and regulators front and centre.

A core development is the new buyer journey which is designed to better connect organisations looking for cyber security services with the members who can supply them. The more dynamic and interactive journey engages buyers in a series of straight forward questions that generate meaningful selections of members, even if a buyer is unsure what cyber security service they need.

A new contact form and a callback function then allows buyers to reach out to you as members, turning buyers' website engagement into actionable sales leads for your businesses. By accessing your new website dashboards, individual members can see how many leads are being generated. From there you can also customise content on your profile page to make your business stand out.

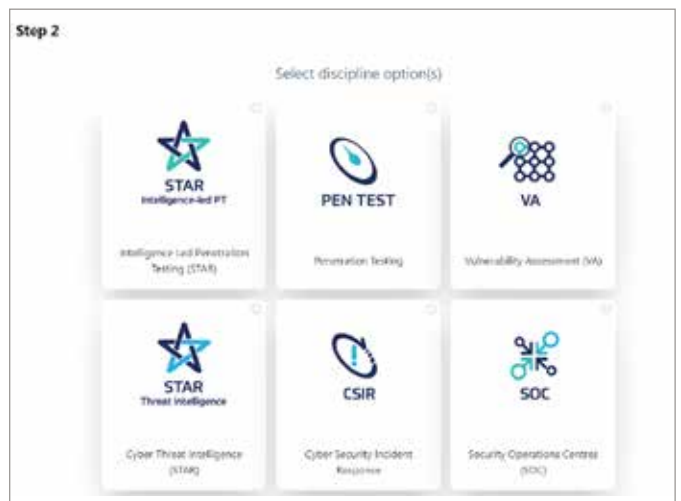
This includes being able to post links to content, news and events for instance, on your own websites to better showcase your business and services to buyers. You can also link to job opportunities on your own sites. We will collate these and present them on our website for CREST qualified individuals to browse, giving you access to a highly qualified pool of possible candidates and at no extra cost to you.



These changes are all about adding value for members and we are working on rolling out even more useful functionality. So, watch this space.

Our website looks clean and bright in the new CREST livery following our branding refresh. We took the opportunity to update the branding to reflect the many new and exciting developments across the organisation.

We think that the revised logo and branding give us a fresher, more modern look while still being instantly recognisable as the CREST brand. Together, the branding update and the website overhaul reflect the turning of a new page in the CREST story, all building on our proud heritage.



NEWS:

Exams and training

Exam Update

Andy Woolhead, Head of Global Product

The global pandemic has impacted on all aspects of our lives, and at CREST it has provided us with the opportunity to take a fresh look at our exams and exam delivery.

Our exams are undergoing a wholesale review to ensure that the certifications not only effectively and accurately assess individuals' core skills, knowledge and competence but are at the cutting-edge of technology.

We are investing significantly in infrastructure, expertise and partnerships to work through content and delivery models, ultimately to develop a candidate experience which allows individuals to demonstrate exactly what they are capable of. We have engaged with our regulators, members and community to better understand what they want to see, and this will inform a strategic review of our deliverables.

Exams and certifications are one just piece of the jigsaw. As part of CREST's commitment to the global cyber security industry, we will be announcing some exciting new training partners which will be game changers in terms of exam preparation and success.

Ultimately, we see it as our commitment to our candidates' success which we hope will contribute to global cyber resilience in the wake of significant recent APT activity. We aim to really exploit best practice, ideas and technology, and perhaps even make the exams a fun and pleasant experience. The more comfortable we can make our candidates feel throughout the whole process, the better the outcome.

All candidates invest a huge amount of time and effort in preparation and commit to a challenging set of exams, often having travelled some distance. This will change. CREST's International Council, with the support of the UK's National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC), have backed a proposal for all CREST exams to be delivered online.

This will not only generate a better candidate experience but will allow individuals to sit the exams anytime and anywhere which provides the opportunity for us to better serve our global market. We are working with the latest technologies with a view to delivering exams that absolutely hit the mark.

We will be engaging with members and the community to help us along the journey and if you have any particular views or would like to be part of the community then please do get in touch. Exciting times indeed.

CRESTCon Australia

The second CRESTCon Australia took place in Canberra on 5 April and thank you to the members of the CREST Australasia Council and PRPR who worked so hard to make it such a success. Thank you also to our CRESTCon Australia sponsor KPMG and to Lukasz Gogolkiewicz for hosting the stream so brilliantly.

You can download the delegate brochure from the day here: <https://www.crestcon.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/CRESTConAustralia2022.pdf> which has details on all of the presentations and speakers. We are currently working videos of all of the presentation that we will get approval to publish online. They will be available in the CRESTCon Australia playlist - <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLZ2XFVIKjM5thqZlhzvhUCg2paZ1BiWwE> on the CREST YouTube Channel soon.

The date for CRESTCon Australia 2023 will be announced soon but it is likely to be at a similar time.

CREST at Cloud & Cyber Security Expo, ExCel, London

It is great to be getting back to exhibitions again and a big thank you to the organisers of Cloud & Cybersecurity Expo for inviting us and for organising such a great event. With over 21,000 visitors a keynote from Tim Berners Lee this is an event with many highlights but most people we spoke to were just delighted to be able to meet with the community again, as we were. It was great to see so many members represented there and we hope we got the opportunity say hello to you all.



NEWS:

CISO roundtable, Singapore

Congratulations to the team at softScheck APAC and Checkmarx for organising a very successful CISO roundtable event on 13 April 2022.

CREST's regional advocate in Asia and Chair of the CREST Asia Council, Emil Tan, was part of the cybersecurity professional speakers and panel that helped facilitate the event and shared their observations, experiences, and know-how with the senior business leaders in Singapore.



Latest CREST Video Content

Here is a selection of the latest video content on the CREST YouTube channel:

Interview with an Expert Red Teamer & Social Engineer | Mani Sahib, Director of Global Intelligence, Picnic

<https://youtu.be/Bw1VAnglOfI>

Cyber security trends in Southeast Asia | Interview with Quan Heng Lim, Privasec

<https://youtu.be/V1V89PyBjok>

Working as a Penetration Tester | Dimitris Pallis, Claranet -

<https://youtu.be/m0goKp7IZJU>

How to tackle OT Security Challenges in 2022 - Applied Risk | Webinar

https://youtu.be/IW46_1TiOgg

Interview with a Penetration Tester | Saeed Zamanian, Rakuten Symphony

<https://youtu.be/Ts4TWtoF4Ns>

Protecting kids online | Interview with Fareedah Shaheed, CEO and Founder, Sekuva

<https://youtu.be/R7OShZTMiCM>

You can subscribe automatically to the CREST YouTube channel by clicking here: https://www.youtube.com/crestadvocate?sub_confirmation=1. We recommend subscribing, this will ensure that you are updated when new videos are uploaded.

Call for your content

We are always looking for informative and educational technical content that is of benefit to our members, new entrants to the cyber security industry, or to the community as a whole.

We can host a live webinar with you or pre-record a webinar or podcast and broadcast. Whatever works best for you. Just contact marketing@crest-approved.org to discuss any webinar or podcast ideas you have.

After the webinar the content can go on the CREST YouTube channel to be watched on demand – www.youtube.com/crestadvocate. The CREST Podcast Channel will launch shortly.



In addition to this, if you would like to be interviewed as part of our cyber security careers series then get in contact.



NEWS: International Roundup

Tom Brennan, Chair CREST Americas Council



During the first quarter of 2022 the Americas region welcomed our newly elected Council comprising: Kyle Bork, Nick Britton, Michael Gargiullo, Rocco Grillo, Grayson Lenik, Tim Luck, Greg Mosher, Chris Oakley, Paul Underwood.

Regional Task forces have been established and the CERST Americas team is driving forward on the unified CREST mission and purpose.

Membership in the Americas region has increased 57% between November 2020 and Q1 2022. Organizations across critical infrastructure have started to publicly adopt CREST accreditation as a qualifier for approved vendor status.

The CREST Americas region also led the founding of a new technical consortium NonprofitCyber <https://nonprofitcyber.org>. All CREST members are welcome to participate!

The next Americas Council meeting will be held on 8 June. Some of the council will join from the RSA Conference in San Francisco where we will be holding meetings with industry representatives. CREST member delegates attending this year's RSAC are welcome to attend our meetings at the conference.

Emil Tan, Chair of the Asia Council



Strategic Activities

The Asia Council is drawing up the first draft of the regional strategy after conducting work-planning sessions with the Council Members. To further solidify the strategy, the Council will be sending out questionnaires to CREST members in the region. This is to ensure that the strategy is aligned with the interests of CREST members in the region.

We will be actively engaging with academia, training institutes, cybersecurity companies, governments and regulators, and the buying community to ensure CREST drives progress in the region.

Coming Activities

The Asia Council will be having conversations with the Cyber Security Agency of Singapore (CSA) to ensure we continue to contribute to Singapore's national strategy of critical information infrastructure protection. Further conversations will also be held with CSA on how CREST can contribute to Singapore's national strategy on building a safer cyberspace — via programmes such as the SG Cyber Safe that saw the publications of Cyber Trust and Essential Marks.

Beyond the Singapore border, the Asia Council is also lined up to have strategic conversations with the Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA).

The Council will also be engaging the buying community. One of the recent events was a CISO Roundtable, organised by softScheck and Checkmarx, held on 14th April 2022.

Nigel Phair, Chair of the Australasia Council



We held our second very successful CRESTCon Australia event in Canberra on 5 April.

The day was packed with informative presentations and we are in the process of putting together a special issue of

Script that will provide you with all of the content from the day so watch this space!

One of our keynote speakers was Hamish Hansford, who is Group Manager and Head of the Cyber and Infrastructure Security Centre at the Department of Home Affairs. Mr Hansford outlined the plans for the Australian Government to work collaboratively with industry to protect Australian critical infrastructure. Legislative reforms are designed to harden Australia's critical infrastructure regime.

Recent consultation has taken place on Register of Critical Infrastructure Assets Reporting Obligation (Part 2); and Mandatory Cyber Incident Reporting Obligation (Part 2B).

The government is currently deciding whether to switch on these obligations and in the meantime has recommended voluntary reporting of cyber security incidents to the Australian Cyber Security Centre.

Further consultation is planned on either or both of the following: creating and maintaining a critical infrastructure Risk Management Program, and whether a small subset of critical infrastructure may be declared to which Enhanced Cyber-security obligations may then apply.



NEWS: International Roundup

Rob Dartnall, Chair of the UK Council



Over the past two months UK CREST member companies have been busy responding to the situation in Ukraine, many working long hours to protect their clients and the UK.

From offering Incident Response support due to active ransomware operations, to testing and securing our most important critical infrastructure systems and delivering daily threat assessments to clients, the current crisis highlights the importance of using quality assured services and highly competent professionals offered by CREST members.

The UK Council and the UK representatives within the applicable Focus Groups and Assessor Groups have also been working hard to make exams more accessible to allow for more highly competent, capable, ethical security professionals to achieve CREST certification. This includes work developing new Threat Intelligence exams, content and delivery methods.

As CREST's founding chapter, the UK Council continues to support the ongoing transformation of CREST International and the newer CREST chapters and councils, such as the EU Council. The UK Chair will continue to ensure the UK Council and UK companies have global influence. We recently met with UK Trade representatives to the US to promote UK member companies.

As ever, the UK Council is here to support and represent you. If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to reach out to any of the Council members or the UK Chair.

Rodrigo Marcos Alvarez, Chair of the EU Council



I am delighted to be the chair of CREST EU council and collaborate with a great team of leaders in the industry, to continue CREST's work and vision in the EU zone.

The main goal of this council is to ensure that our work at CREST is relevant in Europe, considering the local regulators, requirements and marketplace. Our aim is to make a positive impact in the security industry and improve its maturity to help providers, buyers, and ultimately, consumers.

Working collectively, this council aspires to provide unbiased thought leadership in areas such as skills and competencies in the offensive security industry.



NEWS:

CRESTCon UK 2022 – Fast approaching don't forget to book your tickets

After two long years we are excited for CRESTCon UK to be back in person at the **Royal College of Physicians** on Wednesday, 13 July 2022 and can't wait to be welcoming as many of you as possible.

Running for over 10 years, CRESTCon is an important date in the industry calendar, with **four conference streams**, an exhibition, demo area, student room and an evening drinks and networking event.

Book your tickets now at www.crestcon.org/uk

Member tickets for CRESTCon UK

All member companies are entitled to two free tickets to CRESTCon UK, which takes place in London at the Royal College of Physicians on 13 July. To book these tickets contact marketing@crest-approved.org with the name, email address and job title of the people who will be attending.

Members are also entitled to additional tickets to CRESTCon UK at 50% off. Simply contact the email address above for a discount code.

More information on CRESTCon UK at: <https://www.crestcon.org/uk>

Announcing CRESTCon UK Platinum sponsor – 2-sec

We are delighted to welcome 2-Sec as the Platinum sponsor of CRESTCon UK on 13 July.



Announcing CRESTCon UK Gold sponsor – Sygnia

Welcome to Sygnia as our first gold sponsor.

SYGNIA

Announcing CRESTCon UK Silver Sponsor - Intruder Welcome to our first Silver Sponsor



Announcing CRESTCon UK Bronze Sponsor - Foregenix

Welcome to our first Bronze Sponsor.








Sponsorship at CRESTCon UK

There still a chance for you to sponsor the event. Please contact either Debbie.jones@crest-approved.org or Heike.anderhub@crest-approved.org to explore opportunities. You can download the sponsorship brochure at <https://www.crestcon.org/uk/sponsorship-packages/>



NEWS:

New members

Organisation	
	<p>RedLegg Your personal guides in this ever-changing, high-stakes information security field.</p>
	<p>Arcanum Cyber Arcanum was formed in 2008 and is the only NCSC Certified Cyber Security Consultancy registered in Wales with consultants operating across the UK and internationally. Arcanum employs a large team of highly experienced consultants who support clients across multiple sectors, ranging from Critical National Infrastructure and Defence to SMEs and Multinationals. We are well placed to help your company become more secure and advise you on the measures you should take to protect your reputation and the data you hold. Our services include Cyber Security Consulting, Penetration Testing and Digital Forensics.</p>
	<p>Stickman Consulting Pty Ltd Cybersecurity is a growing concern for businesses. We provide you with a full range of services and a single point of contact for all your needs, that ensures you have the time and peace of mind to grow your business. Stickman helps businesses fight the constant threat of cyber attack and data breach. Our 'by design methodology' builds security systems customised for each organisation, transforming their approach to cybersecurity and ensuring their environment is secure - both now and into the future. PCI-DSS, ISO27k, NIST, CISO and Cyber Security as a Service (CSaaS), CIS Critical 20, Cyber Security Health Check, Penetration Testing, Cyber Security Awareness Training, Social Engineering and Phishing Campaigns, Red Teaming, Managed Security Services Provider (MSSP), Managed Detection and Response 24/7/365, Vulnerability and Threat Management, Exploit and Threat Hunting, Patch Management and Privileged Access Management (PAM).</p>
	<p>Predatech Ltd We're a team of cyber security experts with experience of working with businesses of all sizes and across many industries. Our approach to penetration testing starts with listening to your objectives and working closely with you to develop an approach that will deliver the best results. We're focused on delivering expert cyber security security, excellent service and value for money. Our mission is to help secure your organisation against the growing cyber security threat.</p>
	<p>Breachlock Ltd BreachLock is a Pentest as a Service Provider that offers Penetration testing of Web applications, Network and Mobile applications over a SaaS platform. BreachLock follows industry best practices in pentesting and employs certified penetration testers to perform pentesting. BreachLock has experience conducting pentests for clients across industries.</p>



NEWS:

New members



Commissum

Commissum is committed to delivering excellence across the spectrum of Information Assurance and Cyber Security services to a cross-section of global private and public sector organisations.

Services include:

- Penetration Testing
- Vulnerability Management
- Managed Detection and Response Service
- Security and Risk Consulting



UnThreats Pte Ltd

Cyber Security Consultation & Services including 24x7 SOC.



SMARTSEC Information Security Ltd

As cyber-attacks continually evolve, so do the need for the services that are offered to help protect businesses. SMARTSEC was started to offer modern cyber security services to help businesses quickly identify their core risks, apply real-world defensive strategies and stay secure against modern day threats.

As small business we pride ourselves only offering those services which make a real impact to your business's security posture, becoming your trusted security partner for the future.



Vietnamese Security Network JSC

The Vietnamese Security Network Joint Stock Company – VSEC is the first Cyber Security assessment unit in Vietnam, providing and consulting hi-tech services, solutions and products in the field of cyber security for domestic and foreign customers for nearly 20 years. VSEC's services meet the needs of all organizations and businesses regardless of the deployment requirements, size or complexity of the IT infrastructure system, monitoring capacity or management ability of the unit.



Approved Training Provider - CYBERGYM

The following training provider has had their corporate training processes, policies and procedures successfully assessed against the CREST criteria for the Approved Training Provider discipline but has not yet submitted any training modules.

CYBERGYM provides tailored cyber training solutions to organizations around the world.

With the most relevant threat model and a technological environment configured to your technological setup, we make sure your people gain the experience they need, as individuals and as a team.

CYBERGYM further qualifies your general workforce and executives, delivering an all-inclusive, organization-wide solution.

Founded in 2013 by experienced veterans of Israel's prestigious intelligence organizations, CYBERGYM gives you the peace of mind of knowing that your teams are always ready, and cyber investments are maximized.



NEWS:

New members



URM Consulting Services Ltd

Founded in 2005, URM Consulting Services Limited (URM) has developed a reputation for delivering high-quality, cost-effective and tailored consultancy and training in the areas of information security, data protection, business continuity and risk management. In addition to its penetration testing expertise, URM has a very strong governance, risk and compliance background. With its holistic approach, URM can provide a whole plethora of risk management, technical, policy, process and training solutions to help you improve your organisation's information security.



Capula Ltd

With a focus on operational technology and digital transformation, Capula has been a leader in advanced system integration for decades; optimising efficiency & delivering performance on a massive scale.

We work in some of the most highly regulated and challenging industrial environments.

In control, instrumentation and automation we connect, streamline and enhance your systems, using advanced integration to meet ever increasing performance demands.

Data analysis and integrity, intelligent security with robust implementation, giving you detailed oversight and total command of your industrial assets.



Littlefish UK Ltd

Littlefish are an award-winning Managed IT and Cyber Services Provider delivering enhanced user experiences, improved customer satisfaction and authentic business value. Disrupting the mid-market and enterprise marketplace we are an established and superior alternative to the 'usual suspect', £multi-billion MSPs and outsource giants. Delivering services 24/7/365 to 80,000+ users globally, for a variety of organisations, across the private and public sectors, including Farrow & Ball, PDSA, Viridor, Houses of Parliament, Croyden Council and PIB Insurance. Through significant investment in enterprise-grade processes and tools, and teams with enterprise experience, we ensure our customers consistently receive market-leading service that is independently verified as world class.



SecureTeam Ltd

SecureTeam are a UK-based information security practice, specialising in all areas of cybersecurity. Our consultancy services range from network & application-level penetration testing, secure configuration review, Information Assurance, wireless security and secure code review.

The combination of our experience, skillset and methodologies will provide you with absolute confidence in your organisation's resilience to Internet-based attackers, malicious insiders and malware.

We pride ourselves in our professional, pragmatic and customer-centric approach, delivering expert cybersecurity services – on time and within budget.



NEWS:

New members



CSIQ Ltd

CSIQ provides leading Cyber Security and Intelligence solutions that are delivered by industry experts to businesses of all sizes in the United Kingdom.

We remove the complicated technical barriers to bring your company cost-effective cyber security products and services while enabling your business to succeed.

Defence against cyber threats requires an in-depth understanding of how attackers operate. Our extensive experience covers a range of services specifically designed to protect your business.



Closed Door Security Ltd

As trusted partners of the Scottish Business Resilience Centre and a certification body for the NCSC's Cyber Essential Scheme, you have the confidence that our services meet industry standards.

The core approach to protecting your network from cyber-attacks is to get a reliable and experienced company dealing in Cyber security services suited for your organization.

Closed Door Security stands as a leading brand in offering services of Cyber security, including:

- Red Team Assessments
- Penetration Testing
- Security Assessments
- Cyber Essentials
- Cyber Essentials Plus
- IASME Gold
- Security Consulting
- Managed Security

As the first business within the Islands of Scotland to be awarded with the status of certification body by the NCSC, we are setting the standard for satisfaction in delivering these services.

CREST is partnering with CISO South Africa

We are delighted to announce that CREST is a media partner for CISO Africa 2022.

The event, which brings infosec leaders together to learn, collaborate and network, will be held in Johannesburg, South Africa, on 17-18 May, 2022.

To find out more about this event and register please use this link: <https://bit.ly/3L9twP9>

For more information contact Leatitia van Straten: Leatitia.vanstraten@coriniumgroup.com

A promotional banner for the CISO Africa 2022 event. The banner is dark blue with white and light blue text and icons. It features the CISO logo (a fingerprint) and the text 'CISO Africa 2022'. The dates '17-18 May 2022' and location 'The Maslow, Johannesburg' are listed. Below this, it says 'South Africa's Most Exclusive In-Person Event for InfoSec Executives'. There are three icons representing '25 Industry Expert Speakers', '120+ Attendees', and '10+ Exhibitors'. The CREST logo is shown as a 'Media Partner'. A 'Register Your Seat' button is at the bottom, along with the hashtag #CISOafrica and the website www.CISOafrica.com.





Events Diary

EVENTS Diary:

Month	Event & Location	Type	Date	Year
May	Cyber UK, ICC Wales	Exhibition	10-11	2022
May	CISO Africa, Johannesburg South Africa	Exhibition	17-18	2022
May	Technical Cyber Security Skills Development	Member Webinar	23	2022
May	Penetration Testing Focus Group & Networking drinks, Cheltenham	Focus Group	19	2022
June	CTIPS Networking drinks	Focus Group	9	2022
June	CREST International AGM and EGM Member event	Member event	14	2022
June	CREST GB AGM Member event	Member event	14	2022
June	Pitch on the Ship (ISSA), London	Conference	16	2022
June	Infosecurity Europe, ExCeL London	Exhibition	21-23	2022
July	CRESTCon UK	Conference	13	2022
Sept	Day of IR Webinars	Webinar	TBC	2022
Oct	Access to Cyber Security Day	Conference & Webinar	TBC	2022
Nov	CREST Fellowship Awards	Awards	TBC	2022
Nov	UK Cyber Week	Exhibition	3 & 4	2022
April	CRESTCon Australia	Exhibition	TBC	2023

For more information about any of these events please contact marketing@crest-approved.org

