



# The Script

## Bulletin

MAY 2019

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### ***CREST and CREST President, Ian Glover, named finalists in SC Awards Europe***

The SC Awards Europe has shortlisted CREST in the 'Best Professional Training or Certification Programme' category and CREST President, Ian Glover in the 'Outstanding Contribution' category. Being named finalists in these key industry awards is recognition of CREST's contribution to the technical cyber security industry. Across penetration testing, incident response, threat intelligence and SOC services, CREST company accreditations and individual certifications demonstrate the highest levels of knowledge, skills and competence, backed by a strict and enforceable Code of Conduct.

"I am delighted that CREST has reached the SC Awards finals again this year and extremely honoured that I have also been named as a finalist," said Ian Glover, CREST President. "The growth of CREST both in the UK and internationally reflects the increasing need for a strong regulated cyber security industry to more effectively combat the growing threat landscape. CREST and its members are being sought out by governments and regulators all over the world to help develop capacity, capability and consistency in their markets."

The Awards, judged by a panel of experts from the information security profession, are designed to honour professionals working to secure enterprises of all sizes and recognise the contribution of vendors that deliver innovative security technologies. The presentations to the winners of the SC Awards Europe 2019 will be made on Tuesday 4th June at London Marriott Hotel Grosvenor Square, London.

### ***CPSA exam voucher offer for the GCC region***

As a reflection of our continued support for the professionalisation of the cyber security industry in the GCC region and the further growth and development of the skills base, CREST is offering vouchers for free CPSA (CREST Practitioner Security Analyst) exams.

#### **The Offer**

CREST Members with a presence in the GCC region are entitled to two vouchers for free CPSA exams per company. Non-CREST Members with a presence in the GCC region are entitled to one voucher for a free CPSA exam per company. These allocations are irrespective of a company's multiple presence in the region. The vouchers can only be redeemed for exams taken at Pearson VUE centres in the GCC countries and are valid until 31 December 2019.

To see how the offer will work, download the information from: <https://www.crest-approved.org/wp-content/uploads/2019-GCC-Exam-Voucher-Offer.pdf>

### ***CREST guide to practicing and procuring threat intelligence services***

CREST has released a guide that outlines the key concepts and principles that underpin cyber threat intelligence, along with the ways in which organisations are using cyber threat intelligence to prevent, detect and respond to potential cyber security incidents. It also provides useful guidance and criteria that will help an organisation to select a qualified supplier that has the right capabilities to meet their specific requirements.

CREST Events

CREST Workshops

Industry Events

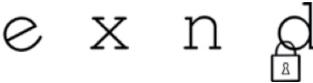


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This guide is intended to help readers to: understand the principles of cyber threat intelligence, including the three levels of intelligence and different types of sources; understand how cyber threat intelligence can be used, including its various organisational and departmental applications; see the value in using specialist suppliers, which includes expertise, responsiveness and insight; and identify criteria for selecting suppliers, including questions to ask potential providers.

As with all CREST guides and research reports, 'What is Cyber Threat Intelligence and how is it used?', is available to download free of charge from the CREST website: <https://www.crest-approved.org/wp-content/uploads/CREST-Cyber-Threat-Intelligence.pdf>. The guide was researched and written by CREST's Threat Intelligence Professionals group (CTIPs).

## New CREST Members

Organisation	
	ACIS Professional Center Co., Ltd
	Asterisk Information Security Pty Ltd
	BCC Risk Advisory
	Consider IT Ltd
	CrowdStrike Services, Inc.
	Exnd Ltd
	ITSec
	JISC
	National Security Services Group L.L.C

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Organisation	
	Node4 Ltd
	PCS Security Private Ltd
	Privasec - Governance and Information Security Partners
	Protiviti
	QUADIQ Pty Ltd
	Security Risk Management
	Silverskin Pte Ltd
	Stickman Consulting Private Ltd
	Thales Solutions Asia Pte Ltd
	Triskele Labs

## ***Announcing CRESTCon 2020***

CRESTCon 2020 will be on 14th May 2020 at the Royal College of Physicians so make sure you have the date firmly marked in your diary now. We have already signed up our first sponsors that we will announce when the website launches and ticket sales open at the end of May. If you are interested in discussing earlybird rates for sponsorship contact [marketing@crest-approved.org](mailto:marketing@crest-approved.org)



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## CRESTCon 2019

With a record number of delegates, CRESTCon 2019 was a resounding success and the feedback has been excellent. Our keynote speaker, Paul Midian, CISO at Dixons Carphone plc, kicked off the day with his talk, 'Growing old is mandatory, growing up is optional' – this was definitely a highlight for many attendees. Talks following this ranged from 'Pirate Queen' Sarka Pekarova on social engineering techniques and Rewanth Cool's advice on creating browser extensions to hunt low hanging threats, to Lesley Kipling's insight into the Microsoft response team.

For many, CRESTCon is a chance to catch up with peers, network with industry professionals and engage with the next generation of students. Through its Academic Partner program, CREST is committed to building relationships with academic institutions to encourage people to join the cyber security industry. Students came from as far afield as Bournemouth and Cardiff to Keele and London to showcase their work and demonstrate their projects and research. Thank you to Context Information Security for sponsoring the student room and Pentest Partners for the student networking reception. It was a great opportunity for them to make contacts with potential employers and gain advice from experienced cyber security professionals.

A special thank you to the sponsors of this year's event, such as our Platinum sponsor Aon, Gold sponsor Ixia, Silver sponsors PwC and Redscan, and our Bronze sponsors Bob's Business, CheckSec, Nettitude, Obrela Security Industries, Titania and Versprite.



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## Video content from CRESTCon 2019

Having such a large number of industry professionals attending CRESTCon made for the perfect opportunity to film interviews with delegates and speakers. Continuing our 'A Day in the Life' series, we filmed numerous interviews with attendees. Our interviewees share how they got into the industry, what their typical working day is like and provide advice to those thinking of entering the field. We also filmed interviews with some of our speakers in which they give further insight into their presentations. All interviews and a selected number of presentations are currently being uploaded on our YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/crestadvocate>. If you missed a presentation or would like to re-watch one, find the full talks on our YouTube and download the presentation slides from the digital brochure: <http://www.crestcon.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/DigitalCRESTConbrochure2019.pdf>



## CREST at GISEC 2019

DiT invited CREST to exhibit on their pavilion at GISEC 2019. The event was busy and CREST had the opportunity to talk to academics, training companies, regulators, the banking community, member companies and non-member companies. The photos below give a snapshot of the event.



CREST also held a breakfast briefing at the event to attract new member companies and stakeholders to hear about CREST's work in the region to help create a cyber security eco-system. The briefing was held at the Dubai World Trade Centre at the same time that CREST were exhibiting at GISEC. This allowed for optimum attraction of the right attendees to the event.

The briefing had over 146 people register to attend and on the day over 50+ attendees listened to Ian Glover, President of CREST, Rowland Johnson, International Director of CREST and Immersive Labs present at the briefing, followed by questions and networking. All registrants are being contacted post briefing. A full report has been completed for the Department of International Trade, summarising what difference CREST has made in terms of increased awareness in the GCC region and raising awareness in the future.



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## **CREST @ Cyber Security & Cloud Expo at Olympia**

CREST exhibited for the first time at Cyber Security & Cloud Expo at Olympia on 25/26 April. It was good to see CREST members there such as PWC and SureCloud. Net Consulting (a training provider) were also present with their own stand.



## **CREST @ IES**

The fourth Internet Economy Summit in Hong Kong (IES) attracted over 3,000 delegates to explore the potential of innovative technologies and the latest developments in the digital economy. Mr Paul Chan, Financial Secretary of the Hong Kong SAR Government, and Dr Lee George Lam, Chairman of Cyberport, officiated the opening. "Like the past three events, this year's summit is packed with intelligence and insight from an international gathering of expert speakers, who, like myself, have faith in the promise of the digital economy. As one of the world's leading international financial centres, Hong Kong is blessed with a strategic location, the 'one country, two systems' unique arrangement and ever-growing economic collaboration with



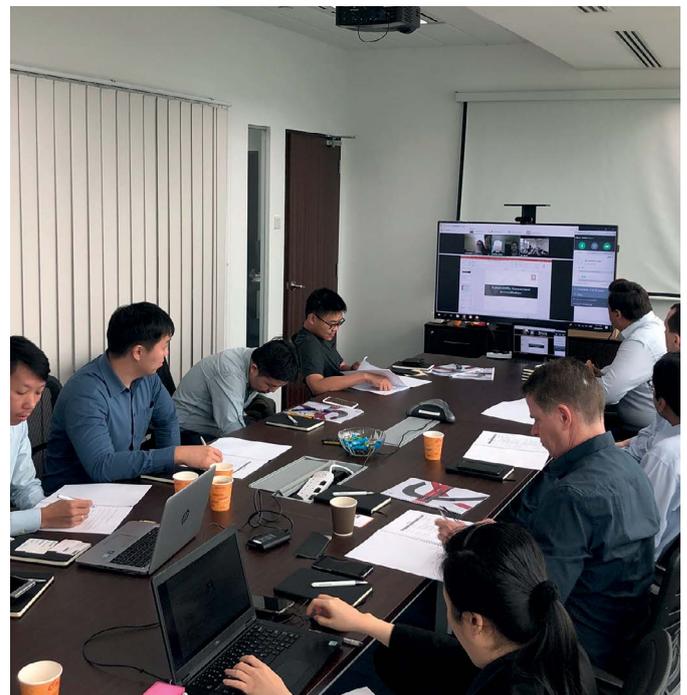
the Mainland of China," said Mr Chan during his opening address. "Moreover, Hong Kong has a remarkably enabling environment for the development of FinTech. After all, we boast a highly efficient infrastructure in information and communications technology, transparent and reassuring financial regulation, the free flow of capital, talent and information, the rule of law underpinned by independent judiciary, and a government committed to a FinTech future," he continued.

Dr Lee George Lam, Chairman of Cyberport, said: "As the government continues to drive FinTech developments, Cyberport is dedicated to fostering the steady and healthy growth of the innovation and technology ecosystem in order to enable FinTech innovation to thrive. The future is now: FinTech, InsurTech, RegTech, LawTech, blockchain. Smart contracts are powering the digital transformation that is reshaping the entire banking and finance sector, and only those who are swift and agile to adapt and innovate will be able to ride the wave of the digital economy era successfully."

CREST's Samantha Alexander attended the event and on the last day represented CREST on a panel in the CyberSecurity Forum. The panel talked about: 'Tactics for Businesses to Embrace Modern Cybersecurity Challenges'.

## **VA Accreditation Workshop in Singapore**

CREST has been working over the last 12 months to develop an Accreditation for Vulnerability Assessment service providers. SEC Consult hosted our 2nd technical workshop on 29th April in Singapore to help define the attack scenarios for the assault course rigs. This included a video link up with some of the team in the UK.





## CREST Diary:

Month	Event & Location	Type	Date
May 2019	AGM On-line	Webinar	14 May
	Vulnerability Assessment Accreditation Webinars On-line	CREST webinars	22 May
Jun 2019	Infosecurity 2019 London	3rd Party Event - Exhibiting, supporting	4-6 Jun
	Recruiters Meeting 24 June	CREST Meeting	TBC
	CAV BSI, Milton Keynes	CREST Workshop	26 June
Jul 2019	Access to Cyber Day London	CREST workshop	3 July
Aug 2019	BSides Manchester 2019	Exhibiting, supporting	29 August
Sep 2019	44CON London	Exhibiting, supporting	11-13 Sept
Oct 2019	Training Providers – 2nd workshop TBC	CREST workshop	2 Oct
	Bug Bounty TBC	CREST workshop	9 Oct
Nov 2019	Fellowship Awards Dinner London	CREST annual event	14 Nov
May 2020	CRESTCon London	CREST annual event	14 May

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## CREST Events:

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### *Webinars*

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#### **Vulnerability Assessment Accreditation webinar**

*22 May 2019*

CREST identified a potential confusion within the buying community between a Vulnerability Assessment and a Penetration Test. CREST's intention is to create a separate accreditation to identify good providers of VA services. Some international providers state they provide Vulnerability Assessment-Penetration Test as a single service, and this again confuses the buying community and means they are unsure of the services they are procuring.

CREST has already run two workshops, one in the UK and one in Singapore, to gather information on the subject. To help complete the picture for CREST members elsewhere, we will run a webinar on 22 May to cover the different time zones globally. The objective of the webinars is to feedback on this topic and the technical workshops. For details of these contact [marketing@crest-approved.org](mailto:marketing@crest-approved.org)

CREST is also looking at creating similar procurement and supplier guides as previously written for penetration testing.

# Event Diary

## CREST Events:

### Workshops

#### Recruiters

*24th June*

A workshop with cyber security specialist recruiters and industry to discuss best practice. In association with CERIS (the Confederation of Ethical Recruiters in Security).

#### CAV threats workshop

After the initial workshop, we are now working with government on a further workshop and moving forward with a research piece. Scheduled for 26th June.

#### Access to Cyber Security Day

*3 July 2019*

*IBM Client Centre, London*

CREST is running a day of workshops and networking focused on ensuring careers in cyber security are made accessible to everyone. The workshops will educate and offer constructive advice and guidance for both employees and employers and it would be great if you could join us.

The workshops:

- 1 Exploring the gender gap in cyber security – has anything made a difference yet?
- 2 Combatting stress and burnout in cyber security .. from surviving to thriving
- 3 How to tap into the neurodiverse workforce to plug the skills gap
- 4 Physical disability: addressing the accessibility challenges faced in a technical security career

The day will also include joint networking sessions & lunch.

At the end of the workshops drinks and canapés will be served.

Thank you to IBM for hosting the day for us.

To book your place and select which workshop you wish to attend go to: <https://crestaccessday.eventbrite.co.uk>. Places are limited and on a first come, first served basis. If you have any questions about the day please contact [marketing@crest-approved.org](mailto:marketing@crest-approved.org)

We are still looking for people to help plan and run the physical disability workshop. If you are interested in helping with this then please contact Allie Andrews – [allie.andrews@crest-approved.org](mailto:allie.andrews@crest-approved.org).

#### Training Provider

Workshop scheduled for 2nd October.

#### Bug Bounty

Workshop scheduled for 9th October as a follow on from the research paper.

#### Social Engineering workshop and report

Date to be confirmed.

#### Responsible reporting

Date to be confirmed.

#### Workshops for future

Please send comment, offers of help, suggestions and additions.

**For book any of these workshops or for any further information, please contact [marketing@crest-approved.org](mailto:marketing@crest-approved.org)**

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