

*NOVEMBER 2004*

# *The London Chapter Newsletter*

## **PRESIDENT'S COLUMN**

### **PCM in Estonia**

I recently spent a weekend in Tallinn, Estonia, attending the President's Council Meeting (PCM) for Area 3 Chapters (Europe and Africa). In addition to ISACA International updating the Chapter Presidents on strategic initiatives and new resources available to assist Chapter Boards in running their Chapters, it also provided a very useful opportunity for the attendees to discuss issues of common interest, exchange ideas and share experiences. One of the areas discussed was the imminent arrival in Europe of the 8th Directive. The 8th Directive on Company Law is to European business what Sarbanes Oxley is to US SEC registrants. As with SOX, the key objective of the directive is to restore investor confidence in the markets. Of particular interest to ISACA members is that public interest entities will be required to appoint audit committees, who will have to take greater responsibility for risk management and be required to monitor the effectiveness of the company's internal controls, internal audit and risk management systems. The EU is expected to adopt the Directive by March 2005, with the 25 member countries required to begin implementing it by January 1, 2006.

### **Membership**

As of October 2004, ISACA has 41,706 members across the globe, an increase of 23% over 2003. The London Chapter has 1,077 members, an increase of 18% over 2003. This means we are the largest Chapter in Europe/Africa and by quite a large margin. The German Chapter is next largest with just over 700 members. Globally, we rank 5<sup>th</sup> behind Korea with over 1,700, New York with nearly 1,300, Hong Kong with over 1,200 and National Capital Area (DC) with nearly 1,200. There are a further six chapters that have over 700 members.

### **Incorporation**

The Incorporation documents have now been submitted to Companies House, and barring any last minute hitches, the Chapter should be incorporated before the end of the year, enabling us to make a smooth changeover at the Chapter's year end of 31<sup>st</sup> December. We are currently looking for an honorary auditor, so if anyone would like to take up this post, please get in touch.

### **Discussion Forums (listserv)**

Just a reminder that ISACA and ITGI have established several listservs to enable interested parties to find the group most suited to their professional interests. Each listserv offers excellent opportunities to share advice, seek assistance and raise pertinent questions. The five different discussion forums can be reached via the Profession Resources link and covers Sarbanes-Oxley, IT Governance, COBIT, Information Security Management and General Audit, Control and Security Topics.

### **CISA and CISM**

Beginning in November 2004, ISACA International Headquarters will annually provide Chapters with CISA and CISM pins free of charge. We are expecting to receive pins for those members fully certified from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2003 through 31<sup>st</sup> October 2004, along with a complete list of names and designation.

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We plan to acknowledge the accomplishments of these CISAs and CISM's by presenting the pins at our monthly events evenings commencing at the event of 25<sup>th</sup> November.

The 2005 exams will be held on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2005. The early registration deadline is 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2005 and the final registration deadline is 30<sup>th</sup> March 2005. Potential CISA and CISM candidates can obtain copies of the 2005 Bulletin of Information for each certification via ISACA's website. Please also pass this information onto any work colleagues who may be interested.

### **An Update on Research Projects**

- **COBIT Mapping: Mapping of ISO/IEC17799: 2000 With COBIT**
  - ❑ This detailed mapping document was posted for complimentary download at [www.isaca.org/research](http://www.isaca.org/research) in October. It is available along with the previously released high-level publication call COBIT Mapping: Overview of International IT Guidance.
  - ❑ This new publication demonstrates how these two standards are interrelated, and how the detailed information requirements of ISO/IEC17799: 2000 can be integrated with COBIT. Almost 1,000 information requirements were mapped to 318 COBIT control objectives.
  
- **Research Projects in progress with target release dates**
  - ❑ Linux Security and Control Features.
  - ❑ Cybercrime: Incident Response and Digital Forensics Services – fourth quarter 2004.
  - ❑ Managing Risk in the Wireless LAN Environment: Security, Audit and Control Issues – first quarter 2005
  
- **Managing Enterprise Information Integrity: Security, Audit and Control Issues**
  - ❑ ITGI has completed a research project on Information Integrity. This document summarises the findings of the project and provides recommendations that will be of most interest to data/information quality managers, assurance providers and educators.
  - ❑ It will be available in the ISACA Bookstore: [www.isaca.org/bookstore](http://www.isaca.org/bookstore) -in the fourth quarter of 2004

## **CHAPTER ADMINISTRATION**

### **Contacting the Chapter**

Christine will usually be available between 08.30 - 12.30 each weekday to take telephone calls and answer emails. If she is not available just leave a message on the ansaphone, and she will get back to you as soon as possible. Alternatively you can email her. All her contact details are at the foot of the page. **It is important to register your attendance at our monthly meetings with Christine either via the London Chapter website or by emailing her direct.**

**MEMBERS' MEETING 25<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**  
**ABN-AMRO, 250 BISHOPSGATE. 5.30PM**

**The Work of the National Hi-Tech Crime Unit.**

**Speaker: Tony Neate**

The National Hi-Tech Crime Unit (NHTCU) was launched in April 2001 as part of the UK Government's initiative to combat serious and organised computer and Internet-based crime. The Unit is the first UK National multi-agency law enforcement organisation of its type. This presentation will focus upon the measures which the NHTCU has put in place to assist UK business in the fight against hi-tech criminality.

**General Presentation Deliverables:**

- Understanding how the NHTCU has been established and what roles it undertakes.
- Examining the impact of hi-tech crime on UK business.
- The NHTCU's 'Confidentiality Charter' – a new way of working with business.
- How can businesses and the Unit work together to combat serious and organised hi-tech crime.
- What are the threats and trends which business might face?

**Session Specific Deliverables**

- Understanding the role that intelligence plays in combating hi-tech crime.
- What steps can businesses take to minimise the effect of hi-tech crime.
- What are the most important issues to a company when it becomes a victim of hi-tech crime.
- Investigating hi-tech crime – learn how the NHTCU can carry out its work within a framework of joint participation.
- Hear about some innovative hi-tech attacks and how best to prepare for the threat.
- What new measures can be put in place to ensure that your company is best prepared for a hi-tech attack.

**Action Items for Delegates**

1. Establishing a Hi-Tech Crime Working Group with members from relevant departments such as: IT; Security; HR and Operations. Design and implement a hi-tech crime reduction strategy.
2. Contacting the NHTCU to discuss the two-way confidential exchange of information.
3. Implementing an information security awareness programme throughout your organisation.

**Tony Neate: Industry Liaison, National Hi-Tech Crime Unit**

Tony is a Detective with the South Wales Police, now seconded to the NHTCU based in London. He has 28 years of service, of which 26 have been as a working Detective. In 1989 Tony moved to the Commercial Fraud Squad where he has dealt with all aspects of Commercial Fraud.

Since the mid 1990s, Tony has been heavily involved in the investigation of Hi-Tech Crime. He has dealt with numerous computer-related offences including hacking, paedophilia, denial of service attacks, cyber stalking and email abuse and phishing.

Tony is Secretary of the National Association of Chief Police Officers Hi-Tech Crime Working Group, which was formed in 1996. He is an Executive Director of ICAF and sits on a number of other groups, including the Internet Crime Forum, The Fraud Advisory Panel and The Digital Evidence Group.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> October 2001, Tony took up his position as Industry Liaison within the newly formed NHTCU, based in London Docklands. The Unit is the lynchpin in the United Kingdoms' co-ordinated response to cyber-crime. Tony's role within the Unit is to form a co-ordinated partnership with industry and to ease the flow of information between the Private Sector and Law Enforcement regarding serious and organised Hi-tech Crime.

## **FUTURE IT TECHNICAL MEETINGS at**

### **ABN AMRO, 250 BISHOPSGATE**

#### **16 DECEMBER 2004:**

**Due to circumstances beyond our control, the subject and speaker for this meeting has been changed. The new speaker will be announced in the next Newsletter. Our apologies for any inconvenience caused to members by this change.**

**27 JANUARY 2005:** 'IT Governance Framework.' **Speakers:** Legal & General Directors

**24 FEBRUARY 2005:** 'Auditing Networks – Routers.' **Speaker:** Phil Pinder

**17 MARCH 2005:** 'Identity Theft in the Corporate Environment.' **Speaker:** Peter Wood

**21 APRIL 2005:** 'Aligning Risk Mitigation Initiatives with Strategic Management Concerns.'  
**Speaker:** Bob Vyas

**26 MAY 2005:** 'Auditing Third Parties.' **Speaker:** Chris Spackman  
**This meeting will be preceded by the Annual General Meeting at 5.00pm.**

**23 JUNE 2005:** 'Data Mining and Visualisation Techniques for Digital and Paper-based Data.'  
**Speaker:** Chas. Jordan