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To all our valued members:

I hope this letter finds you all well and prosperous. Thanks to all of you who have so generously volunteered your time and services to the HISPI.

Recent Organizational Changes

I would like to welcome our two new Governance Board members:

- Tom Stamulis; CISSP, CISM, HISP; Accreditation Officer
- Joseph Watts, HISP, MS; Director of Higher Education and Member Services

We would also like to welcome the newest member of our Advisory Board:

- John Sapp CISSP, CGEIT, HISP

John Sapp is Director of Product Development Standards - Security, Risk & Compliance within McKesson Corporation's Office of the CTO.

We are very happy to have them aboard and please join me in wishing them well. They are already making a difference at the Institute!

Here we grow again!

We are proud to announce our new partnership with the Cloud Security Alliance (CSA).

On September 13, 2010 the HISPI announced a strategic partnership with the Cloud Security Alliance (CSA) that will provide members of both organizations an educational roadmap and credentials to enhance their educational background. Members will be able to differentiate themselves as experienced industry experts with a well rounded education in development and improvement of a comprehensive risk management program that addresses all of an organization's operational, information technology and information security risks. This includes both assessment and management of a holistic ISMS, with a special discipline in cloud computing methodology.

To read the details go to the www.HISPI.org and click on the related link at the top of the page.

The Cloud Security Alliance Congress is coming soon and we will have representatives there. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us November 16-17 in Orlando, Florida.

The following new research will be released at the CSA Congress:

- Trusted Cloud Initiative - certification criteria whitepaper
- New version of the CSA Cloud Controls Matrix
- CSA Consensus Assessments Questionnaire (North America release)
- New version of Top Threats research

The event will include virtually all of the thought leaders who have defined cloud security and are shaping the future of the cloud on a global basis.

HISPI members will be provided a 10% discount. Please check out the conference site at <http://www.misti.com/cloud> and use the code CSA10/HISPI to get 10% off registration fees.

BCI Certification Courses

I mentioned in my last letter that a host of course offerings is coming out soon and will be posted on the HISPI website. Links to the course schedules are now available on the events page of www.HISPI.org.

2010 Information Security Summit

We are proud to announce that we will be formally dedicating Corporate College as the HISPI Center of excellence at the 2010 Security Summit held in Cleveland, Ohio on October 14-15, 2010. Last year the event was sold out! As I mentioned in my last letter, I will be a participant on the Keynote Panel discussion focusing on Forensics. This is a great event that provides security and audit professionals a cost-effective training and conferencing experience.

Don't miss it. There is still time to register! Visit www.informationsecuritysummit.org for details and registration information.

HISPI Open Forums

We held our first open forum on September 30th and it was well attended and we received a lot of questions and good interaction. The recorded version will be available on the HISPI members' only download page after October 15th. Until then you can access it at <http://cc.readytalk.com/play?id=5p33jg>.

You can also download all the available podcasts from the HISPI members' only download page.

Upcoming Training Modules

The Governance and Advisory board discussed and brainstormed additional training modules for consideration for continuing education. Some of these could also be used for future forum topics.

- Mappings – Processes for mapping their own organizations requirements to ISO and the Unified Compliance Framework
- Risk Assessment – ISO 27005
- COBIT – More in depth than what is currently in the course material
- COSO – More in depth than what is currently in the course material
- Practical Implementation of an ISMS
- ISO 21827 – Information Security Maturity Model
- ISO 38500 – IT Governance
- The best of ISO – key points from key standards
- Training and Awareness – Building a program
- Scope development in building an ISMS
- Practical techniques for obtaining upper management support for developing an ISMS

Keep an eye on the HISPI home page for announcements as these modules are developed. As always, we welcome anyone who feels they would like to volunteer some hours to help develop one or more of these modules. You will also earn CPEs for your efforts.

As always, the Governance Board is excited about all of the changes and advancements that are underway. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your continual support. If you would like to become more involved in the HISPI, we encourage you to volunteer on one of our committees or projects! To become involved contact any governance board member. Contact information for all Governance Board members is at the end of this letter or through the HISPI toll free number 888-247-4858.

Warmest Regards,



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