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To all our valued members:

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

Organizational Changes

You should have received a notice seeking nominations for Accreditation Officer. Notices were sent out to all members on June 21, 2010.

If you are interested in nominating either yourself or another HISPI member for the position of Accreditation Officer please submit names to Ralph Johnson, Governance Board Secretary at rjohnson@hispi.org by July 16, 2010. Ballots will be distributed on July 21st and returned by July 30th. Results will be announced by August 6th

Here we grow again! We are proud to announce two new partnerships.

New EC Council Alliance

The HISPI Governance board is proud to announce a new partnership with EC Council the certification authority for Certified Ethical Hacker designation amongst others.

The International Council of E-Commerce Consultants (EC-Council) is a member-based organization that certifies individuals in various e-business and information security skills. It is the owner and creator of the world famous Certified Ethical Hacker (CEH), Computer Hacking Forensics Investigator (CHFI) and EC-Council Certified Security Analyst (ECSA)/License Penetration Tester (LPT) programs, and as well as many others programs, that are offered in over 60 countries through a training network of more than 450 training partners globally.

EC-Council has trained over 80,000 individuals and certified more than 30,000 security professionals which include around the world such as the US Army, the FBI, Microsoft, IBM and the United Nations.

A letter from the HISPI Governance Board outlining benefits available to you as a result of this partnership was sent out June 21st. We urge you to explore this new relationship and what it can do for you as a member. We are offering CPEs for all EC Council courses.

In addition, the HISPI is an affiliate partner and supporting all EC Council certification courses.

Finally the HISPI is a Supporting Partner for the upcoming Hacker Halted conference being held in Miami, FL, October 9 – 15, 2010.

Some of the benefits we receive are:

- HISPI will be acknowledged as a Supporting Partner for the event.
- Acknowledgment in the event site, with logo and hyperlink to our site.
- Acknowledgment in Hacker Halted 2010 USA event guide, with logo.
- Acknowledgement in EC-Council updates to members/mailling list.
- Two (2) complimentary conference passes for internal staff and/or subscribers.
- 15% conference registration discount for our members.

If you have not received the letter, you can find it on the member's only webpage.

Visit the EC Council at www.eccouncil.org

BCI (Business Continuity Institute) Partnership

The HISPI has inked a new partnership with BCI to be involved in and supporting their certifications for business continuity.

The Business Continuity Institute (BCI) was established in 1994 to enable individual members to obtain guidance and support from fellow business continuity practitioners. The BCI currently has over 5000+ members in 90 countries. The HISPI is one of the first US partnerships.

The BCI offers several certification options in the area of business continuity. The HISPI is offering CPEs for these course offerings and certifications as well.

A host of course offering in the US is coming out soon and will be posted on the website.

Visit the BCI at www.thebci.org

HISP Government Track

In the last Presidents Letter I discussed the HISP Government Track. I told you that several years ago we developed a government based course to augment the HISP certification. This course was set aside until the time was right to move forward with its implementation. This course covers topics such as FISMA, NIST special publications, FIPS, DITSCAP and NIACAP, Privacy Act and mappings of NIST and ISO 27001: 2005. Two certification options are proposed, the HISP/G, which is the current HISP with an additional government certification and the GHISP which would only require the government course and examination. This course material is currently under revision. Due to changes underway in some NIST special publications the governance board has delayed the release of this course until the fourth quarter rather than releasing it in the second quarter as had been planned. We decided to have the course as up-to-date as possible at publication time.

2010 Security Summit

We are proud to announce that we are once again supporting the Information Security Summit to be held in Cleveland, Ohio on October 14-15, 2010. Last year the event was sold out! This year 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. Visit www.informationsecuritysummit.org for details and registration information.

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 telephone number above.

Warmest Regards,



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