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PCI SECURITY STANDARDS COUNCIL ANNOUNCES NEW BOARD OF ADVISORS

— 2013-2015 term to feature strong global diversity and multi-national perspectives on payment security —

WAKEFIELD, Mass., 16 May 2013 — Today [the PCI Security Standards Council \(PCI SSC\)](#), an open, global forum for the development of payment card security standards, announced election results for the 2013-2015 PCI SSC [Board of Advisors](#). The Board will represent the PCI community by providing counsel to SSC leadership.

The Council's more than 690 [Participating Organizations](#) selected individuals from the following organizations to represent their industry's unique perspectives in the development of PCI Standards and other payment security initiatives: Bank of America N.A.; Bankalararasi Kart Merkezi; Barclaycard; British Airways PLC; Carlson; Cartes Bancaires; Cielo S.A.; Cisco; Citigroup Inc.; European Payment Council AISBL; FedEx; First Bank of Nigeria; First Data Merchant Services; Global Payments Inc.; Ingenico; Micros; Middle East Payment Systems; PayPal Inc.; Retail Solutions Providers Association; RSA, The Security Division of EMC; Starbucks Coffee Company; VeriFone Inc.; Wal-Mart Stores, Inc; and Woolworths Limited.

Board of Advisor members provide strategic and technical input to PCI SSC on specific areas of Council focus. Past board members have provided reach into key industry verticals and geographies to help raise awareness and adoption of PCI Standards; have shared their experience with implementing PCI Standards in presentations at the annual Community Meetings; and have contributed guidance on [training](#) product development and led [Special Interest Groups](#) (SIGs).

“Active involvement from our Participating Organization base is critical to ensuring the PCI Standards remain at the front line for protection against threats to payment card data. Once again I am impressed by the turn out in the election process. It's particularly encouraging to see new markets looking towards open global standards like the PCI Standards to help secure payment card data worldwide,” said Bob Russo, general manager, PCI Security Standards Council. “The Council and wider stakeholder community will benefit from the breadth of experiences and perspectives that this new board represents.”

The board will support the Council's mission to raise awareness and drive adoption of PCI Standards worldwide and will kick off its work in June with its first face-to-face meeting with Council management.

"This year saw more European involvement than ever in the Board of Advisors election process. Although Europe contains mature EMV markets, this level of involvement in the PCI SSC confirms that the combination of PCI Standards and EMV chip is a powerful force for protecting payment card data," said Jeremy King, European director, PCI Security Standards Council. "Our new board is a truly global group, and the Council will benefit greatly from its input as we continue to drive awareness and adoption of PCI Standards worldwide."

About the PCI Security Standards Council

The [PCI](#) Security Standards Council is an open global forum that is responsible for the development, management, education, and awareness of the PCI Data Security Standard ([PCI DSS](#)) and other standards that increase payment data security. Founded in 2006 by the major payment card brands American Express, Discover Financial Services, JCB International, MasterCard Worldwide and Visa Inc., the Council has more than 650 Participating Organizations representing merchants, banks, processors and vendors worldwide. To learn more about playing a part in securing payment card data globally, please visit: pcisecuritystandards.org.

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