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IN RUN UP TO ANNUAL COMMUNITY MEETINGS, PCI COUNCIL ANNOUNCES 2015 SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP PROJECT PROPOSALS

WAKEFIELD, Mass., 25 August 2014 — Today the [PCI Security Standards Council](#) (PCI SSC), an open, global forum for the development of payment card security standards, announced the list of Special Interest Group ([SIG](#)) proposals for consideration as 2015 projects. Each topic will be presented to attendees at the 2014 [North American](#) and [European](#) Community Meetings in advance of an online election in October.

Special Interest Groups are PCI community-selected and developed initiatives that address specific areas or security challenges in relation to the PCI Standards. (See [recently published third-party security guidance](#)). PCI Participating Organizations and assessors proposed the following topics for 2015:

- ◆ Effective Daily Log Monitoring
- ◆ PCI DSS Assessments of Mainframe Environments
- ◆ Network Virtualization
- ◆ Cryptographic Keys and Digital Certificate Security Guidelines
- ◆ Working Forum for Securing Retail Locations
- ◆ Unattended Security Guidance for ATMs, Vending, and Pay at the Pump
- ◆ Guidance on Determining Shared Responsibilities for Interrelated Third Party Services

The Council will work with these groups to ensure a clear understanding of the suggested topics and deliverables for presentation at the Community Meetings.

To register for the 2014 Community Meetings and attend the SIG sessions, please visit: <http://community.pcisecuritystandards.org/>

Participating Organizations will vote on the projects during an online election running 13-23 October, and winners will be announced in November. For more information on the SIG process, visit: https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/get_involved/special_interest_groups.php

“Special Interest Groups enable the PCI community to unite across industries with the goal of providing additional guidance in the payment security environment. By bringing together thought leaders from various backgrounds, we are able to cultivate real-world resources for merchants, banks, acquirers and any organization that deals with sensitive payment card data,” said Bob Russo, general manager, PCI Security Standards Council.

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, JCB International, MasterCard 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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