WAKEFIELD, Mass., April 10, 2012 — The PCI Security Standards Council (PCI SSC), a global, open industry standards body providing management of the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS), PIN Transaction Security (PTS) requirements and the Payment Application Data Security Standard (PA-DSS), announced today that registration for the 2012 PCI Community Meetings is now open.

The PCI North American Community Meeting will be held on September 12-14, 2012 in Orlando, Florida. The PCI European Community Meeting will be held this year in Dublin, Ireland, October 22-24, 2012.

The PCI Community Meetings bring together global leaders from across the payments chain to play an active role in the ongoing development of strong technical standards and resources for increased payment security. This year’s meetings offer Council Participating Organizations and PCI stakeholders access to three days of knowledge sharing, networking and learning, including keynote presentations from industry experts, PCI case studies, and technical sessions.

“2012 is a critical year in the standards development process that hinges on feedback from the PCI community. At this year’s meeting, we’ll focus on discussing stakeholder feedback on the standards in preparation for release of the next versions of the PCI DSS and PA-DSS in 2013, as well as share our successes and challenges, ideas and —more—
suggestions as a community,” said Bob Russo, general manager, PCI Security Standards Council. “We’ll discuss Council initiatives, including the Point-to-Point Encryption (P2PE) program, mobile payment acceptance security and other technology areas, as well as the work being done through our Special Interest Groups. Attendees will also have the opportunity to take advantage of our PCI SSC Training offerings.”

New to this year’s agenda, the Community Meetings will also feature:

- Increased networking opportunities
- Targeted breakout sessions for different stakeholder groups
- More industry case studies delivered by members of the PCI community
- Expanded opportunities to meet with card brands
- Two-day vendor showcase
- Event mobile app to help make the most of attendees’ time

Special sessions for Qualified Security Assessors (QSAs) and Approved Scanning Vendors (ASVs) will be held at the meetings. Several training courses will also be available. These offerings provide participants the opportunity to combine the value of peer to peer education at the Community Meeting with more formal training sessions, maximizing their time in Orlando and Dublin.

“The record attendance at last year’s meeting is a strong testament to the work that together we as a community are doing to drive payment security forward globally, but especially within Europe,” said Jeremy King, European Regional Director. “I’m thrilled about the growing involvement of the PCI community in Europe and look forward to coming together in Dublin to continue this momentum.”

Attendance fees:
Participating Organization: First two registrants are free; $395 for additional registrants Qualified Security Assessor (QSA)/Approved Scanning Vendor (ASV)/Internal Security Assessor (ISA)/PIN Transaction Security (PTS) members: First registrant is free; $695 for additional registrants

For more information, or to register, please visit: http://www.regonline.com/pcissc_cm_orlando2012
The 2012 Community Meetings also offer a range of sponsorship opportunities. For more information on how to become a sponsor, please visit: https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/communitymeeting/2012/north-america/sponsors.shtml

Registered attendees can RSVP on Linkedin to jumpstart their networking:
PCI European Community Meeting: http://linkd.in/IuvLIF
PCI North American Community Meeting: http://linkd.in/HrmnTs

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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 over 600 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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