Making Cyber Security Accessible to Everyone

The pandemic has caused a wholesale move to online technology. This means it is now essential that cyber security is accessible to everyone. This talk explores the work IASME has been doing and what more needs to be done.

Venue
IET Savoy Place

Up to 10 years ago, cyber security was really only a concern for the largest organisation and those in defence, security and banking industries. The cyber security services offered were generally too expensive and complicated for most sectors to engage with. The pandemic in 2020 has caused a massive move for organisations in all sectors towards online technology. This is accompanied by the associated cyber security risk which criminals are not slow to capitalise on.

It is essential that organisations in all sectors and of all sizes have the advice and tools to add security to protect themselves. In addition to protecting the businesses which are so crucial to the UK’s economy, organisations such as schools and charities also need urgent assistance. Vulnerable individuals in society who now have to use online services for healthcare and benefits are also in need of accessible security. The rise in cyber-enabled fraud which targets this group can have a devastating impact on individuals.

Woven throughout this picture is a shortage of skills and diversity in the cyber security sector itself. Arguably, until this is resolved, the cyber security sector will not be able to meet the growing demands which are so important to the security of the UK.

Speakers:

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Programme:
18:00-18:30 – Registration
18:30-19:30 – Speakers take to stage
19:30-20:00 – Audience Q&A
20:00-22:00 – Networking/Drinks reception at Savoy Place

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