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Pierre CHASSIGNEUX and **Oscar COVERS** from the European Card Payment Association are among 29 board members to join the PCI Security Standards Council in its efforts to secure payment data globally. As strategic partners, board members bring industry, geographical and technical insight to PCI SSC plans and projects.

The Board of Advisors represents PCI SSC Participating Organizations worldwide to ensure global industry involvement in the development of PCI Security Standards and programs.

On learning the news, **Oscar COVERS**, **Chair of the ECPA** Security Working Group said, "There is a growing understanding in Europe that competition on security related issues does not make any sense. As a result, the European banks and payment institutions are working more and more closely together to make electronic payments safer and to combat fraud. As Chair of the ECPA SWG I am pleased to be able to contribute to this essential activity"

Pierre CHASSIGNEUX was quoted as saying, "As a member of ECPA, Cartes Bancaires (CB), will provide its foremost experts and expertise to continue to be actively involved in the international work of PCI SSC in close consultation with banks, industry, merchants and consumers"

PCI SSC Executive Director Lance J. Johnson was quoted as saying, "The Board of Advisors provides industry expertise and perspectives that influence and shape the development of PCI Security Standards and programs. We look forward to working with the European Card Payment Association in its role of Strategic European Regional Member in our efforts to help organizations secure payment data in Europe and, more generally, globally.

PCI SSC International Director Jeremy King said, "We need voices from across vertical industry sectors, countries and regions to help ensure we are providing the best standards and the best protection against today's modern cybercriminal. We're pleased to have ECPA as a European voice on the PCI SSC Board of Advisors to provide critical insights and help us build on the great efforts that are already being done to increase payment security globally."

About the PCI Security Standards Council (PCI SSC)

The <u>PCI Security Standards Council</u> (PCI SSC) leads a global, cross-industry effort to increase payment security by providing industry-driven, flexible and effective data security standards and programs that help businesses detect, mitigate and prevent cyberattacks and breaches. Connect with the PCI SSC on <u>LinkedIn</u>. Join the conversation on Twitter <u>@PCISSC</u>. Subscribe to the <u>PCI Perspectives Blog</u>.

About the EUROPEAN CARD PAYMENT ASSOCIATION (ECPA)

ECPA represents "domestic card schemes" and organisations managing essential functions such as type approval within the European Economic Area. ECPA was founded in June 2014 as a non-profit Association to represent the interests of its Members on subjects that affect the use and/or users of payment cards or similar payment instruments, including measures intended to promote the creation of a single European market for card payments (SEPA for Cards).

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