



PRESS RELEASE

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The European Card Payment Association (ECPA) is pleased to announce that it has been elected for a third consecutive term to the Board of Advisors of the PCI Security Standards Council (PCI SSC).

The PCI SSC Board of Advisors represents the Council's Participating Organizations worldwide to ensure global industry involvement in the development of PCI standards and programs. As strategic partners, they are representative of the market and bring geographical and technical insights to the Council. Furthermore, PCI SSC works with organizations around the globe to help secure payment data, and this latest Board of Advisors brings together some of the world's leading companies from all sectors in the payments space.

Pierre Chassigneux and Oscar Covers from ECPA are among 31 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 2021-2022 Board of Advisors includes representatives from the following organizations:

Absa Group Limited, AccorHotels, Amazon.com, Inc., Apple, Inc., Australian Payments Network Limited, Barclays Bank Plc, Center for Internet Security, Cielo S.A., Citigroup, Inc., Enterprise Holdings, Inc., European Association of Payment Providers for Merchants (EPSM), European Card Payment Association (ECPA), European Payment Council AISBL (EPC), First Data Merchant Services, Global Payments Direct, Inc., Google, Inc., Ingenico, JP Morgan Chase, MagicCube, Microsoft, National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), PayPal, Inc., Rakuten, Inc. RSA, Schwarz IT GmbH & Co KG, Square, Inc., Stripe, Inc., Target Corporation, Verifone, Inc., Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.

Pierre Chassigneux welcomed this news by underlining the fact that ECPA has been the Strategic Regional European Member of PCI SSC since March 2016, and commented that "Once again, I'm extremely proud to take part in the PCI SSC Board of Advisors to represent the interests of the European card payment community. In the age of digital payments, cybersecurity and sovereignty have become matters of utmost importance. We must maintain the trust and confidence in card payments by implementing adequate security measures".

The Chair of the ECPA Security WG, Oscar Covers, further commented that "In Europe, security, fraud prevention and the development of standards are recognised non-competitive areas where cooperation adds value. For this reason, European banks and payment institutions are increasingly working together to make electronic payments safer and to combat fraud. I am therefore pleased to be able to make a contribution on behalf of ECPA."

About ECPA (EUROPEAN CARD PAYMENT ASSOCIATION)

Founded in June 2014 as a non-profit international association ECPA represents European card schemes and organisations managing essential functions such as type approval within the European Economic Area (EEA). The association represents the interests of its Members on subjects which impact 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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