

SECURITY NEWS & INDUSTRY UPDATE

The 2019 ACS Pacesetters, “Security Officer of Distinction Awards” were presented at an event held at Royal Windsor Racecourse on Wednesday, 22nd May 2019. TPSO was there to cheer them!



The very worthy winners were presented with their awards by Andrew Donaldson, Deputy Head of Risk Analysis, Pool Re.

This is always an excellent event and the stories of bravery, quick thinking, professionalism and courage were truly breath taking. TPSO magazine would like to again, give our warm congratulations to all of the outstanding front line professionals honoured....

TPSO Magazine would like to thank ACS Pacesetters and FM Contract watch for the kind use of their photos... and for the invitation.



Muhammad Ali - CIS Security Ltd.



Richard Breckon - OCS Group UK Ltd



Steve Brooks - Westgrove Support Services Ltd



John Curry - ABM Group (UK) Ltd

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Sara Day - Incentive FM Ltd



Julio Ferreira - Axis Security Services Ltd



David Johnston - Land Sheriffs Ltd



Kieran Khan - Safetynet Security Group



Peter Luckman - MAN Commercial Protection Ltd



William Smith - Interr Security



Kevin Walters - ICTS (UK) Ltd
(Collected on his behalf...)



Darren Winter & Ryan Tench
Venture Security Management Ltd



Tom Atley - Ward Security Ltd



Aaron Mohangee - Land Sheriffs Ltd

Top UK Security Consultancy Launches New “One Day Security Surgery” Service.

Advent IM, the UK’s leading independent, holistic security consultancy, has launched a focused, one day workshop for organisations and businesses. Called **MySecuritySurgery**, the focus of these workshops is dictated by the organisation and the workshop then designed around those needs; gathering key stakeholders together for focused review and followed by a summary of findings and actions from an Advent IM security expert.

This service covers a range of organisational security topics from cyber-attack readiness assessments, to physical security.

“This innovative new service can work for a business that has never engaged with a security consultancy before, as easily as a business that is security savvy, but looking to effectively re-focus its security resources. All organisations have an important security challenge and MySecuritySurgery offers something for everyone seeking to answer that challenge. It does this by building a workshop that is precisely focused on the challenge in hand and a summary that can quickly put that business on the right security path, without a huge commitment.” Said Advent IM MD, Mike Gillespie.

With twelve focus areas, MySecuritySurgery covers the main organisational security concerns:

- cyber attack readiness assessment
- system assurance
- policy and process review
- business continuity
- physical security
- supply chain assurance
- risk workshop
- secure records management
- surveillance camera standards
- data protection
- information risk management
- NIS Directive

Go to advent-im.co.uk/consultancy to download the MySecuritySurgery leaflet.



TPSO magazine has worked with Advent IM for some time and if your company needs pointing in the right direction with any security problem or issue, I'd recommend you bring these guys to the attention of your management.



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TPSO Meets: Ian Todd, CEO of the Security Industry Authority.

A couple of months ago, TPSO magazine's own Mike O'Sullivan and Rollo Davies made the trip to London's Docklands for a discussion with the new head of the Security Industry Authority, Ian Todd.



We all know that for years, there has been an awful “us and them” feeling across the front line of the security industry, not helped by communication problems and the horror stories we have all heard on social media involving licence delays or apparently unreasonable rejection of applications and renewals.

Speaking to Ian, we have come away with an appreciation of the problems, seen from the other side of the fence, and a genuine optimism that there are going to be tangible improvements.

“The private security industry and those that work in it have an increasingly important role in today’s society in keeping people, property and premises safe.

As the regulator we have a clear focus on improving standards in the private security industry and protecting the public. But we cannot do this alone. We are grateful for the support, hard work and professionalism of those working in the industry.

It is vital that we work together and I want to improve the dialogue between us which is why I welcomed the opportunity to meet representatives of the trade press to hear their views and of those they represent.”
....Ian Todd.

Speaking to Ian, you rapidly realise that he is not your usual, dismissive high ranking bureaucrat. He has come through the ranks, not from a security industry start, but as a front line Paramedic. I for one, respect him all the more for it. He worked hard and rose through the ranks of the Ambulance Service to his former role as head of the Independent Police Complaints Commission, now Independent Office for Police Conduct (IOPC). From his role there, it was a short and natural step to the helm of the SIA.

It is clear that Ian is hugely committed to improving standards in the industry, but there is one very big problem. The SIA has to work under the strict framework of the Act of Parliament that created it. Any changes to the work the SIA performs or the licencing rules and guidelines we all have to deal with, can only be achieved by amendments to this Act. Ian has been listening to the industry, and to you, and has worked hard to get central government to enact a whole host of sensible proposals. Unfortunately the frustration is palpable in his voice as he explains that, due in no small part to the narrow focus on Brexit, to the detriment of all other national business, nothing is likely to happen anytime soon.

That said, the SIA is working hard to improve it's current systems and procedures, to make life easier for the men and women at the front line. This I think, has already been reflected in the increased processing speed of applications and renewals as you would probably have noticed, if you have needed to do either recently.

The SIA is also planning for the future and TPSO magazine will be announcing in the weeks to come, how you can have a say in the direction and scope of future industry regulation... Things will eventually get done, at a legal policy level.... Brexit can't go on forever right?

The SIA has also had an awful reputation for poor communications with the industry at large. If you want more up to date info and a better insight in to what the SIA are doing, why not follow them on social media?:

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Twitter: @SIAuk, @SIACHiefExec, @SIAQuality, @SIAProsecutes and a whole list of regional offices.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/thesiauk/>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/+securityindustryauthority/>

In fact, don't follow them on Instagram... Not much there to follow. (They clearly haven't mastered pouting in the mirror or sharing their lunch with the internet..... Ed.)

Ian Todd is a decent hard working professional, trying to change things for the better. He speaks about, in the future, using proceeds of crime to invest back in to the industry, even to provide “bursaries” to help with licence and training costs to those that have financial problems. (I don't mean funding licences for the unemployed which was a disaster for the industry.)

He is not a man that doesn't understand our problems, I just hope he can hang in there for the long haul, and make the SIA the engaged and compassionate regulator we all want and deserve.

International Recognition for **TPSO** Magazine!

This may come as a surprise, but TPSO has been going for a whole year as of this month! Happy Birthday to us! You are also, not the only person reading this. Our big plan was to reach over 5000 readers by the end of our first year. Well, thanks to you, and a lot of like minded industry professionals like you, we beat that goal.



In fact, we beat it by well over 20,000. Thank you very much indeed.



We also gained some attention around the world with one of the founders of the magazine being named by IFSEC Global, as the Security Industry Influencer Ranked #2 in the world for 'Thought Leadership', and later winning the prestigious George Van Schalkwyk award for Outstanding Contribution to the UK Security Industry, presented by The Security Institute. It's been a **fantastic year**.

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we wouldn't matter.
Because so many read TPSO,
we can help YOU matter more!**

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