

OPEN SECURITY EXCHANGE ANNOUNCES NEW MANAGEMENT BOARD OFFICERS

Expanded Leadership Team Features New Members; Underscores Commitment to Vendor Neutrality to Benefit End Users

PISCATAWAY, NJ — December 12, 2004 —Upon attracting many of the leading organizations in the security industry to join, the Open Security Exchange (OSE) today announced new board members and newly elected officers. The cross-industry consortium is dedicated to delivering best practices guidelines in security management and vendor-neutral interoperability specifications for integrating physical and cyber security systems.

In September of this year, the OSE introduced changes to its working procedures that facilitated having organizations of any size join and play an active role in the definition of standards for the security industry. Due to the expansion of the size of the Management Board, the OSE also created officer positions to help with the daily management of the organization.

For 2005, the OSE Management Board includes:

- Computer Associates
- CoreStreet
- Fargo Electronics
- Gemplus
- General Electric Infrastructure, Security
- HID Corp.
- Sony Electronics
- Tyco Software House

General Members for 2005 additionally include Deister Electronics, Siemens Building Technologies and VistaScape Security Systems.

Officers elected are:

- Gary Klinefelter, Fargo Electronics, Chair
- Laurie Aaron, Tyco Software House, Vice-Chair
- Eric Maurice, Computer Associates, Executive Director
- James Clark, General Electric, Director of Marketing & Communications
- David Ludin, Gemplus, Secretary

Steve Hunt of Forrester Research and Sandra Jones of Sandra Jones & Company have agreed to continue their roles as industry advisors to the Management Board in 2005. Their security industry knowledge has helped the OSE expand its membership and set its strategy.

“Any organization committed to developing interoperable solutions and helping customers meet ever-rising security challenges should join with us,” said Gary Klinefelter, OSE’s chair. “Working as peers with other leading companies in the security industry, they will be assured that their views and concerns regarding open and seamless integration issues are considered. New Board and General Memberships are still available and we encourage the participation of all, including those who are not yet members.”

Organizations wishing to join the OSE will find membership information on the OSE website at <http://www.opensecurityexchange.org/join.html> or can request more information by sending an e-mail to info@opensecurityexchange.org. At an investment of US\$ 5,000 per calendar year, General Memberships provide participation in any OSE workgroups. For US\$ 15,000, Board Members additionally contribute to the definition of the OSE’s strategic directions.

The OSE recently issued the first of its kind technical specifications for the convergence of physical and cyber security systems. These specifications, named PHYSBITS, are publicly available and can be downloaded from OSE's website at <http://www.opensecurityexchange.org/resources.html>.