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FISSEA's 22nd Annual Conference

Benefits of Attending the 2009 FISSEA Conference



Yes, we have speakers who are highly thought of in the community, but one of the true values of attending the FISSEA Conference is the camaraderie and networking opportunities. Many of our attendees return each year because of the family nature and professional friendships formed during our Conferences. Besides the shared experiences, the varied resources are available as speakers, programs, and in other ways.

FISSEA's "**Educator of the Year**" award is given annually – not necessarily to a FISSEA member but an individual who stands high among his peers for leadership in IT Security Awareness/Training/Education. Examples of past nomination forms which lead to the award are available on our website. The winner receives an attractive plaque in a special ceremony and is invited back to the next year's Conference as a guest of FISSEA so he/she can present the subsequent winner with the award.

The Awareness portion of our annual Contests includes four categories: Posters; Motivational Items (eg: pens, tee shirts); Websites and Newsletters; and Training and Education (which includes: exercises or scenarios to teach security to differing groups). These contests permit us to see, share, praise, and have fun with each other's work. Winners in each of the four categories receive handsome plaques.

This year, in addition to the contests we are inviting attendees to bring along artifacts and other items from their organizations. We've named this activity "**Share the Awareness**" and think it will be a real hit with our registrants. It will occur on the middle day of our Conference, 25MAR2009.

Our 2009 Conference theme is "**Awareness, Training, and Education – The Catalyst for Organizational Change.**" On the opening day, the Federal Business Council will host a vendor/organization display event where a variety of providers will demonstrate and discuss their products and offerings. This is usually a lively activity – since those displaying items and programs are key players in the IT Security Awareness/Training/Education arena, from industry, academia, and the Federal Government. To see an up-to-date agenda, please go to our website: www.FISSEA.org .



Please permit me to shed some light on a few of the approximately **60 speakers** who will fill this year's three-day two-track Conference.

Cita Furlani, NIST's Director of the Information Technology Lab, will join in welcoming the group, and will be followed by the Keynote, titled "**Building for the Future: Inspiring Culture, Collaboration, and Change**," by the Vice Dean of the US Military Academy at West Point. Next will be a high level panel of CISOs from several Federal agencies, discussing "**CISO as Chief Trainer**." Looking from the present into the future, Web 2.0 will be part of three different sessions during the Conference with the first being provided by a Senior Consultant and IT Architect from IBM.

Each day, during the lunch break, a special half-hour presentation will be offered. On the first day, NIST will be featured with senior staff members providing insight into policy creation and implementation as well as NIST's outreach to private industry. Our middle day lunch speaker is a Professor of Neuroscience at the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences with a talk on right brain – left brain and ways to get Awareness/Training/Education accepted by those whom one is attempting to inform. The third day lunch speaker is a specialist in cloud computing and will be discussing this subject. Last year, we offered tours of NIST during the lunch break; these were so popular that we will again offer them this year.



Afternoon sessions on the first day are a variety of awareness and training topics being offered by speakers from all three constituent areas, Federal, Industry, and Academia. One will even provide Strategies and Methodologies for Security and Privacy Professionals with some very interesting specially constructed handouts. Defensive Training for Social Engineering is another session which will prove educational. Capping the afternoon is a special panel titled "**What's New?**" in which representatives from the Department of State, NIST, DHS, DoD, and other organizations will provide a picture of what is coming when and how to be prepared. A case study of a successful implementation of 8570 training and subsequent certification will be provided by DCMA.

On the second day, the Keynote will be "**While America Slept: The Human Element of National Cyber Readiness**" will have attendees on the edge of their seats. It will be followed by our Inspector General panel which, this year, will deal with FISMA and how to build successful IT Reviews based in Risk Management as well as Awareness thru Education. A long time friend of FISSEA and past Board Member will next provide a demonstration of a way to provide security awareness in as little as seven minutes.

That afternoon, UMUC will offer an online method of teaching the OSI Model, concurrently with one of our Canadian speakers, who will provide a tutorial and demonstration of an awareness environment. Our third panel will follow with representatives from the VA, DoD, NIST, NASA, and the Department of State, who will discuss "**What Federal Consumers of Certifications think of Them – What Value are They?**" A second "Awareness 2.0" session will provide a method for improving Awareness through the use of Social Media. And the day will close out with a session on how behavior can change for the better in various groups thanks to Security.



Day three will be Keynoted by Janet Barnes, CIO of the OPM. Her remarks will be followed by the Executive Director of ISC2 informing about how to create a winning CIO/CISO team opposite a DIA speaker on Self Directed Training. A tag-team will come next speaking on how to build effective training from process to program. At this same time, the US Forestry Service will be speaking about how to reach a **"Really Remote"** audience.

Our last afternoon will kick off with another long time friend of FISSEA explaining how to improve ETA by leveraging C&A results. Opposite this, Professors from the Naval Postgraduate School will be speaking on Identity Management education.

The Vice President of the Center for Democracy & Technology will address **"Changes on the Horizon for Federal Privacy Policy"** followed by the Program Director of the NSF Federal Cyber Scholarship for Service talking about the next generation of Cyber Corps. Our 2009 closing presentation will be by a noted educator whose topic subtitle is the imaginative **"Knowledge + Malice = Chaos."**

Whew! Just looking at the agenda makes me wonder how I will be able to choose one session over another. The quality of the speakers and their colorful topics will make this quite a difficult task. Oh, and let me not forget to mention that door prizes will be distributed throughout the Conference from interested and supportive organizations!



We hope to "See Ya At FISSEA,"

Louis Nunkin

FISSEA 2009 Conference Director



FISSEA Executive Board Members – Nominations for the 2009-2011 Term

Susan Hanche, CISSP

Nortel Government Solutions, US Department of State

What is the FISSEA Executive Board?

The FISSEA Executive Board consists of 11 members who are elected by the membership during the annual conference, to serve for a designated period of no more than two years. The Executive Board meets monthly in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area and is actively involved in planning the annual conference, workshops, and various outreach activities for the FISSEA membership and the information system security awareness, training, and education community.

The Executive Board has the following objectives:

- Plan and execute annual conference
- Establish and maintain effective communication among members through:
 - Web page creation and content
 - Maintaining the Membership database
 - Periodically producing the FISSEA [News&Views](#) Newsletter
 - Establishing interactive communication via the FISSEA listserv
- Liaison activities to support its mission and market FISSEA
- Periodically sponsor workshops (usually free to attendees)

Who is on the FISSEA Executive Board?

On page 7 of this newsletter is a table listing the current FISSEA Executive Board members. There are five members (Term 2007-2009) whose terms will end this month.

The FISSEA Executive Board is issuing its annual call for nominations of members who will serve on the Board beginning in March 2009. Individuals elected by the FISSEA membership during the March 24-26, 2009 annual conference will begin serving their two year term in March 2009. To be considered for a seat on the FISSEA Executive Board, a Nomination and Candidate Statement Form must be filled out and submitted. The form is available on the FISSEA website (www.fissea.org), under the About Us tab, Executive Board link. For further information on the Executive Board, please contact fisseamembership@nist.gov.

FISSEA By-Law Changes

FISSEA members,

The FISSEA Executive Board is recommending several changes to the current FISSEA by-laws (available online www.fissea.org, About Us Tab, By-Laws link), which will further enhance the Board's ability to meet the FISSEA goals. These changes will be voted on during the annual Conference in March. The two primary changes are:

- Change the current requirement that the FISSEA Executive Board chairperson and assistant chair be directly hired government employees. This will allow the Board more flexibility in determining and assigning leadership for our many activities.
- Change the current requirement of electing Executive Board members at the annual conference. We are looking into more flexible options for voting of Executive Board members next year and this change is needed to allow for additional voting options.

More information on the by-laws, including the actual changes we will be voting on at the Conference this month, is available on the FISSEA website and will also be published in the 2009 FISSEA Conference proceedings. If you have any by-law questions or concerns, please send an email to fisseamembership@nist.gov.

We Love to Praise the Work You Do!

Gretchen Morris, CISSP

DB Consulting Group / NASA

FISSEA Contest Coordinator

As I am writing this, the contest entries for this year are in the hands of our judges and I am awaiting the scores to find out who has won each category. I just wanted to say thanks again to the judges for volunteering their time to review and score the 23 different entries we received this year, and to thank all of our contestants. I love to see all of the different types of work and creativity that our members have. Please be sure to join me in congratulating our winners at this year's conference.

FISSEA Educator of the Year Award

If you work with someone (or know someone) who's outstanding work during 2008 in information security awareness, awareness training, role-based training, education, or certification (of people) is deserving of "public" acknowledgment and appreciation, this is an opportunity you don't want to miss!

Submissions are now being accepted for the FISSEA 2008 Educator of the Year Award which will be presented during our 2009 Conference. Submissions will be accepted through Tuesday, February 12, 2009. For details, please visit the [FISSEA Educator of the Year page](#) on our website.

FISSEA Free Workshop

FISSEA will provide a free one-hour presentation during the GovSec Conference being held at the DC Convention Center beginning at 12:30pm, on Wednesday, March 11, 2009. The session is titled: "FISSEA: Tips for Educating and Training the Cyber Workforce of Today and Tomorrow."

Our workplace today has changed -- we are in the midst of an interconnected world of information systems that has and will continue to change our lives. Are you and your employees ready for the new cyber frontier?

FISSEA will share the latest news on several education and training initiatives, such as the CNCI and ISS LOB. Our discussion topics will include how to build career paths for cyber experts and the importance of awareness, training, and education in our current and future cyber workforce. This will include a FISSEA Overview, an update on NIST's Learning Continuum model, Awareness/Training Program Best Practices, Role Based Training Initiatives, and Q&A discussion. Speakers will be: Susan Hansche, Mark Wilson, Louis Numkin, and John Ippolito.

Should you attend our session be sure to allow time to visit the GovSec exhibit hall with many vendors and providers of security-related equipment and programs. If you only want to attend the FISSEA session and/or the Expo, be sure to state this on your Registration form so there will be no charge.

CISSP Training Offer

Michael Huggins for Shon Harris, CISSP
Logical Security

The requirements for security skills have not decreased just because of the economic issues. There are more requirements as the federal regulations are increasing.

To make it easier for people in our industry, CISSP training courses will be offered at half price. This is not a sales special, but new pricing.

If you have any questions, please follow up with Shon directly at shonharris@logicalsecurity.

FISSEA List Serve:

The NIST Computer Security Division hosts the FISSEA membership e-mail list in support of FISSEA and the federal IT security community. The list is not moderated; any FISSEA member subscribed to the list can post a message directly to the list. This list will allow users to converse with other IT security professionals who have an interest in awareness, training, and education issues. Any issue related to FISSEA's mission, federal IT security awareness, training, and education is fair game. It can be used to ask for help from the many veteran FISSEA members who have experience designing, developing, implementing, and maintaining awareness and training programs. Please refer to the FISSEA website for complete rules and guidance, but to summarize the rules:

- No spam nor advertising unless it is for free training/workshops
- Please respond only to the sender rather than using "reply to all"
- Avoid "me too" replies
- Do not send attachments

Abuse of the list guidelines will lead to removal of the abuser's access.

To post a message to the entire list, send it to fissea@nist.gov

If one wants to be added to or deleted from the list, send the request to

fisseamembership@nist.gov

This address should also be used if one wishes help in determining whether an item is list appropriate or not.



Please remember, that any FISSEA member may submit an article for publication to the FISSEA News and Views newsletter - as long as it is related to awareness, training, education, and/or professionalization. Readers can also contribute by submitting ideas of what they might like to see in the newsletter and we'll do the rest.

Email articles or ideas to the Newsletter Editor Diane.L.Maier@nasa.gov or FISSEA's Exec Board Chair, Emma.Hochgesang@pentagon.af.mil - Subject line: "FISSEA NEWS&VIEWS".

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