



Immediate Release

Straits Interactive partners PECB to offer ISO certification courses for Data Protection / Privacy Professionals

Courses include the recent ISO27701 and modules in Governance Risk Management & Compliance to enhance data protection competencies in ASEAN region

Singapore 9 December 2020 - Straits Interactive today announced a new partnership with PECB, a certification body which provides education and certification, to further extend its ISO course offerings to data protection/privacy professionals in the ASEAN region.

Courses offered

The courses will be provided under the umbrella of the Data Protection Excellence (DPEX) Network. They will start off with online offerings of ISO courses in data protection and governance, risk and compliance (GRC) management. These courses have been specially curated to enhance and strengthen the data protection learning road map for data protection professionals in the ASEAN region.

PECB Courses	Descriptions	Relating Categories
ISO 27701	Privacy Information Management System	Data Protection (DP) / Privacy
ISO/IEC 27035	Incident Management Training	DP / Privacy
ISO 31000	Risk Management	Governance, Risk, Compliance (GRC)
ISO 19600	Compliance Management	GRC
ISO 22301	Business Continuity	GRC
ISO 21500	Project Manager	DP/ GRC



Said Kevin Shepherdson, Chief Executive Officer, Straits Interactive, “We are delighted to partner PECB, a well-known leader and certification body for their ISO courses. The DPEX Network offers three learning roadmaps to data protection professionals within the ASEAN region - academic qualification route, a professional certification route and a Governance, Risk Management & Compliance (or GRC) route. With our PECB partnership, we are now able to complement our current roadmap with ISO certifications such as the ISO 27701 (data privacy/protection) for data protection professionals both in Singapore and in the ASEAN region. We look forward to hosting our first batch of students soon.”

“We are very excited about this agreement, as we have always welcomed partnership opportunities with companies whose objectives are consistent with, and suitable to our mission,” said Eric Lachapelle, CEO of PECB. He added that Straits Interactive has shown great success in Data Protection. “Both PECB and Straits Interactive have proved to be great successes in the mentioned sector, and this is an indicator that both parties will complement one another in achieving their goals and objectives. The previous years have witnessed tremendous growth in our partnership program, and initiatives aimed specifically at developing and sustaining partnerships, have been an important factor in our success. We both have great teams of professionals and resources that will serve to systematically support this partnership,” concluded Lachapelle.

Mode of learning

The courses will initially be offered as self-learning and delivered modules and registrants can pay via credit card or wire transfer. Class-room or in-person classes will be rolled out at a later date.

More information about the courses can be found on www.dpexnetwork.org

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Data Protection Excellence (DPEX) Network

The Data Protection Excellence (DPEX) Centre is the research and education arm of the DPEX Network, a first of its kind facility in the ASEAN region whose aim is to provide leadership, best practices, training, research and support for all things surrounding data privacy from an operational perspective. This collaboration of partnerships comprises certification bodies, law firms, universities and organisations who provide professional services and technologies relating to data privacy. An ever-growing network, members currently include Straits Interactive, Singapore Management University, International Islamic University Malaysia, De LaSalle University, Philippines, IAPP, EXIN, OCEG and Lexxion amongst others. More information about DPEX Network can be found at www.dpexnetwork.org

About Straits Interactive

Straits Interactive delivers end-to-end governance, risk and compliance solutions that enable trusted business and responsible marketing, especially in the area of data privacy and protection. Recently Data Protection Trustmark (DPTM) certified, we help businesses achieve operational compliance and manage risks through a combination of cloud technology and professional services.

Our quest for innovation has led to us being recognised and awarded Intercon's Top 50 Tech Companies (in recognition of the company's contribution to technology) and APAC Business Headlines' Company of the Year, 2019. Our software-as-a-service solutions include DPOinBOX and Governance, Risk & Compliance System (GRACIAs), all of which are supported by professional services that include advisory services, audits, and training. More information about the company can be found on www.straitsinteractive.com.

About PECB

PECB is a certification body that provides education and certification under ISO/IEC 17024 for individuals in a wide range of disciplines. As a global provider of training, examination, and certification services, PECB offers its expertise in multiple fields, including, but not limited to, Information Security, Privacy and Data Protection, Business Continuity, Quality and Service Management, Risk Management, Health and Safety, and Sustainability.

We help professionals show commitment and competence by providing them with valuable education, evaluation, and certification against internationally recognized standards. Our mission is to provide our clients with services that inspire trust, demonstrate competence, and benefit society as a whole. For further information about PECB's principal objectives and activities, visit www.pecb.com.



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