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Leading Australian cybersecurity expert appointed to GICSR Board of Directors

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Charles Sturt University Adjunct Lecturer and leading Australian cybersecurity expert, Craig Wright, has been appointed as the Vice President, Australia - Asia Pacific, of the Global Institute for Cybersecurity + Research (GICSR), an international non-profit organization seeking to advance a comprehensive range of cybersecurity initiatives, cyber innovations, and research.

GICSR International Executive Vice President, Richard Zaluski, said, "We are pleased to announce that Craig has joined the GICSR Board of Directors. Craig is one of the world's most highly-qualified digital forensic practitioners, and he has not only worked to develop many of the techniques in common practice, but is also working to expand the field of knowledge. Craig designed the architecture for the world's first online casino (Lasseter's Online) in the Northern Territory, and he has, in the past, designed and managed the implementation of many of the systems that protect the Australian Stock Exchange."

Craig's initial focus in his new role will be to:

- Establish a regional 'centre of excellence' in cybersecurity with the region's leading research organizations and cybersecurity universities, such as Charles Sturt. The initial focus of the centre will be to establish Doctorial research projects in cybersecurity priority areas including cyber extortion, identify theft, and money laundering.
- Ensure that the regional cybersecurity decision-makers, including government intelligence communities, intelligence services, law enforcement agencies, major universities, and R&D agencies, have input into the international standards being developed with GICSR international.
- Establish similar relationships with regional intelligence agencies, governments, and security vendors, to those that GICSR has in place with the NSA, FBI, DHS, NASA, and NIST in the USA. The focus of these relationships will be to assist government, industry, and security vendors to be much more aligned to the cyber threats posed by national and international actors, corporate espionage, cyber 'hacktivists' and cartels (groups that pose a direct and growing threat to national security through economic impact resulting from breaches that lead to the leakage or direct loss of trade secrets, intellectual property, and confidential customer data).

With a global outlook and focus, GICSR facilitates interaction, research, development, and education, to create an environment for international collaboration on global information systems security, cybersecurity initiatives (focusing on comprehensive National Security Strategies for Cyber Space and the unique challenges inherent to them), and on the issues that know no boundary in the digital world.

Cybersecurity is one of the greatest challenges faced in an ultra-competitive international environment.

About GICSR

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