Business Continuity Institute research to influence academic teaching at Cranfield University

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Such is the high calibre of the Business Continuity Institute's research output, that its latest publication – the 2017 Cyber Resilience Report – is to be used as part of the teaching programme by Cranfield University, the UK's only exclusively postgraduate university, and a global leader for education and transformational research in technology and management.

The BCI's Cyber Resilience Report, a study of the cause and consequence of cyber disruptions affecting organizations across the globe, will be used as part of the teaching programme for the MSc in Cyber Defence and Information Assurance. The report will form the basis of in-class and online discussions as part of the degree's focus on real-life issues.

Dr Ruth Massie MBCI, Programme Director for the Cyber Masters Programme and long standing Member of the BCI, said: "*It's important that students get the opportunity to understand not just the causes of cyber related interruptions but the size and scale of the consequences. This report gives students the opportunity to understand and discuss these issues in a leadership context.*"

"*This is an encouraging demonstration of the high regard with which our research is held,*" said Deborah Higgins FBCI, Head of Professional Development at the BCI. "*We know that people working in the industry value our research, but to have it featured within the teaching programme of such a prestigious university as Cranfield helps reaffirm our status as a thought leader in the field.*"

Cranfield's MSc in Cyber Defence and Information Assurance is designed to develop professionals who can effectively manage and exploit the threats and opportunities of cyberspace at the organizational level. The course specifically focuses on responses to serious present and emerging threats in the information domain, and is aimed at mid-career professionals who need a broad understanding of cyber leadership.

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