

Stratia Cyber Celebrate 10-Year Anniversary

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June 2021, UK - Independent cyber security consultancy **Stratia Cyber** are celebrating their ten-year anniversary this month.

Founded in 2011, Stratia Cyber was one of the first companies to be successfully assessed and accredited under the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) Certified Cyber Security Scheme and they have since gone on to deliver managed services to a diverse range of clients such as The Student Loans Company, the NHS, The Home Office, Commerce and Government (Defence) in addition to private sector household name brands.

Headed by a management team of senior security consultants with a collective cyber security experience of more than 90 years, Stratia Cyber currently has more staff certified at the highest level (Lead Practitioner) under the National Cyber Security Service's (NCSC) Certified Professional Scheme than any other company in the UK.

Founding Director of Stratia Cyber Paul Maxwell said: "It feels particularly poignant that we are celebrating our ten year anniversary this month, given that cyber security is a growing industry and more and more businesses are recognising the importance of protecting their cyber reputations especially now that we are living in a more online world than ever before."

Lou Mahanty, Managing Director at Stratia Cyber explains that long before the pandemic, their company culture continued to grow and strengthen very organically despite having always operated as a remote team.

"Of course we recognise that in-person interactions will always be fundamental to some elements of running a business. But at its core, trust is part of our mission; trust in what we do to make safe environments in which businesses can thrive, we have no option to fail because our clients are trusting us with their ability to survive. Operating as a remote team means that we have been able to adapt seamlessly to the changing landscape over the past decade, especially in the last year when many businesses have been forced to adapt quickly."

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Stratia Cyber Security experts Lou Mahanty and Paul Maxwell are available for interviews, expert quotes and cyber security expert comments. Please contact stratiacyber@scarlettlondon.com

Notes to editors:

- Stratia Cyber is an independent cyber security consultancy with a track record in providing Cyber Security services for Commerce, and Government including Defence. It is one of the first companies to be successfully assessed and accredited under the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) Certified Cyber Security Scheme and is a CREST Accredited Company.

Paul Maxwell, Founding Director, Stratia Cyber

Paul is a founding Director of Stratia Cyber and an experienced Risk Management and Security Architect, with excellent technical, communication and leadership skills. He is highly respected by his previous and current clients and enjoys working closely with demanding customers to deliver mutually beneficial outcomes. He has extensive experience working on Government and Commercial systems.

Paul has built up his consultancy experience since leaving his role as a Sensors engineer in the Royal Navy and has carried out roles as diverse as the Operational and Computer Network Defence Manager for MOD DII systems, Lead Security Architect at HM Coastguard, Desktop Accreditor for Top Secret systems to the Security Assurance Manager for GCHQ. His most recent MOD deployment was as Lead Security Architect for the service provider that delivers the MOD's pay and pension systems for Defence Business Services.

Paul is a CCSC Head Consultant and is a Lead CESG Certified Professional Security and Information Risk Advisor, a Certified IT Professional member of the British Computer Society, a Certified Information Systems Auditor and a member of the Institute of System Engineers. Paul is also a ISC2 Certified Cloud Security Professional CCSP.

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Lou Mahanty, Managing Director, Stratia Cyber

Lou Mahanty has been Managing Director of Stratia Cyber, a NCSC accredited cyber resilience business, since April 2017. Previously he was Director for Intelligence UK at CSC where he led a team of 400 specialists providing secure IT infrastructure managed services to Government organisations. Lou is a graduate of Leeds University (BSc Hons Physiology), Kings College London (MSc Physiology), the Open University (MBA) and the Army Staff College.

Lou has 40 years' of experience in delivery and leadership roles in the wider security space. This has spanned novel initiatives in well established organisations to leadership of large teams in difficult or complex environments and programmes.

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