



Le GIE des Cartes Bancaires CB

## CB re-elected to the PCI SSC Board of Advisors

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PCI SSC (Payment Card Industry Security Standards Council) is the security standard body originally formed by 5 payment card schemes : Amex, Discover, JCB, MasterCard et Visa.

The purpose of PCI SSC is to define and develop standards and security requirements for sensitive data associated with bank cards during their operation, storage and transportation.

PCI SSC involves all the payment card stakeholders, not only banks but also merchants, manufacturers and processors. More than 690 participating organizations worldwide share their expertise and contribute to the development of security standards.

Every two years, PCI SSC participating organizations nominate their representatives to the advisory committee, the Board of Advisors. In this context, the Groupement des Cartes Bancaires CB has just been elected for a second mandate to serve on this college of experts, whose composition until 2015 is as follows:

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Bob Russo, General Manager, PCI Security Standards Council said *“Active involvement from our Participating Organization base is critical to ensuring the PCI Standards remain at the front line for protection against threats to payment card data. Once again I am impressed by the turn out in the election process. It’s particularly encouraging to see new markets looking towards open global standards like the PCI Standards to help secure payment card data worldwide, The Council and wider stakeholder community will benefit from the breadth of experiences and perspectives that this new board represents.”*

Jeremy King, European director, PCI Security Standards Council added : *“This year saw more European involvement than ever in the Board of Advisors election process. Although Europe contains mature EMV markets, this level of involvement in the PCI SSC confirms that the combination of PCI Standards and EMV chip is a powerful force for protecting payment card data. Our new board is a truly global group, and the Council will benefit greatly from its input as we continue to drive awareness and adoption of PCI Standards worldwide.”*

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For Jean-Marc Bornet, Chief Executive Officer of the Groupement des Cartes Bancaires CB, «CB's re-appointment to the Board of Advisors reflects the recognition of our expertise and our competence in area of security. CB will actively contribute at an international level to the security of card payments, and very important to us, in close consultation with representatives of trade and industry».

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**Key figures for CB in 2012 :**

- **9.7 billion transactions**
- **506.9 billion euros of turn over**
- **60.6 million of CB's cards in circulation**
- **1 377 536 merchants who accept CB payments (face to face and e-commerce retailers, vending machines and ATM)**

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