

A practical course exploring the links between good management of information and the management of risk

Risk management is increasingly being acknowledged as a crucial management skill and a fundamental component of corporate governance, yet few people at executive level have had specific guidance in the practical aspects of data protection for their businesses. Board members are responsible for ensuring that the management of data complies with industry regulations, yet many boards do not have anybody with responsibility for corporate data. Many senior executives remain unaware of their exposure to risks and the power of the regulatory bodies – and thus, the challenges that may lie ahead.

This half-day session explores the risks inherent in processing information. Taking its cue from real-world scenarios, and using small-group work and risk profiling exercises, the course will help delegates to understand their organisation's risk profile and where its key risks lie so that preventative measures can be taken – or, where avoidance is not possible, the risks mitigated.

Programme

09:00

Registration and tea/coffee

Why risk management – and where do the key risks lie?

Information risk management and corporate governance

Why risk management is a key element of your corporate governance strategy.

What are the risks involved?

A look at some recent information management breaches: their data protection roots, how and why information was breached, and which parts of legislation were contravened.

Who is at risk from breaches of good data handling practice?

An exploration of the traditional approach to risk assessment, considering risk from the perspective of the organisation, its employees and officers.

Strategies for risk management

Tactics to mitigate or prevent risk

Assessing compliance, culture, training and awareness, organisational and technical measures.

Choosing your information risk management strategy

An exploration of some of the factors that will influence an organisation when deciding on appropriate tactics to avoid or alleviate risk.

Workshop: building a risk profile

Delegates will be encouraged to discuss scenarios in groups with the aim of determining the risk profile of each and an appropriate course of action to reduce or avoid the risks presented.

Questions

A Q&A session on issues raised, and any specific data protection compliance problems delegates may face at work. This will also be an opportunity to recap on any tricky areas.

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