CDFS APPOINTS DR. PAVEL GLADYSHEV AS CHAIRMAN OF ITS STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Commencing the process of forming its Standards Committee, the Consortium of Digital Forensic Specialists (CDFS) is pleased to announce its appointment of Dr. Pavel Gladyshev to the position of Chairman of the Standards Committee. In this role, Dr. Gladyshev will facilitate the committee's mission of uniting practitioners from all sectors to discuss and develop digital forensic standards.

Dr. Gladyshev is a lecturer at the University College Dublin (Ireland), where he is directing the MSc program in Forensic Computing and Cybercrime Investigation – a leading international distance-learning program for law enforcement officers specializing in cybercrime investigations. Dr. Gladyshev holds a PhD in the field of Digital Forensics and is the founder of the state machine theory of digital forensic analysis. Prior to joining the university as a lecturer, he worked as an IT forensics analyst at the Dublin practice of Ernst & Young and is still actively working as a consultant in criminal and civil investigations.

"I believe that the multitude of digital forensics best practices and technological standards can be distilled to a number of 'simple' base standards against which the local, national, and international guidelines and standards can be validated," Dr. Gladyshev said. "The creation of such base standards and the corresponding validation & certification of local, national, and international standards will be the primary objective of the CDFS Standards committee."

Dr. Gladyshev has worked with law enforcement since 1998, when he oversaw the creation of the first Irish training course in cybercrime investigation for the Irish national police service. He is a co-founder of UCD Centre for Cybercrime Investigation and the head of the digital forensics group at the UCD school of computer science and informatics. He is conducting several research projects on automated malware forensics, high speed algorithms for automated detection of illegal material, Apple Mac memory forensics, forensics in cloud computing environments, and signature-based algorithms for user activity detection.

In an extracurricular capacity, Dr. Gladyshev serves on the INTERPOL steering committee on IT Crime. He is a member of the steering committee of ICST International Conference on Digital Forensics and Cyber Crime (ICDF2C) and a reviewer on editorial boards of several journals and conferences.

"The addition of Dr. Gladyshev to a leadership position with CDFS is a significant accomplishment," said CDFS President Chris Kelly. "Dr. Gladyshev's continued accomplishments in the academic realm, private sector experience, and continued work with law enforcement give him a unique perspective on the profession. And his enthusiasm, attention to detail, professionalism, and diplomatic nature make him the perfect candidate to accomplish the mission of the Committee."

Those interested in being a part of this critical effort are highly encouraged to join CDFS and engage in the debate. Please visit our website at www.cdfs.org, or email us at membership@cdfs.org for more information.

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