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About today's speakers

Andrea Simmons has been building up her own compliance consultancy business over the last five years. She is currently working with Socitm Consulting as an Information Governance specialist. In 2007 she took on the role of Security Forum Manager for the British Computer Society to work on security issues at a strategic level and provide thought leadership for the industry. Alongside the security strands - attaining the Certified Information System Security Professional (CISSP) and Certified Information Security Manager (CISM) accreditations, Andrea has also successfully undertaken the BS7799 Lead Auditor course (as was). Andrea has successfully undertaken both the British Computer Society/ISEB Certificate in Freedom of Information and the Certificate in Data Protection and is registered on the DP Experts Directory <<http://www.sbu.ac.uk/dpaexp/dpa/index.php3>> . She is also an active Associate member of the BCS and its' relevant specialist groups - Security, Audit, Law - has been accepted onto the BCS Register of Security Specialists.

With a degree in Philosophy/Music and a diploma in Hypnotherapy and Psychotherapy, Andrea's expertise is in the human side of information management in business. She has been consulting with household name companies and public and private sector organisations on the human issues involved in Information Security Awareness training programmes, their development and effective delivery. Andrea believes passionately that more thought needs to be put into better ways of encouraging employee buy-in with regard to securing information holistically rather than only focusing on the IT Department as the hub of all information activities. This is particularly key with the more recent focus on Information/Corporate Governance, where the quality of information share is both crucially and legally important.

Richard Parker joined EOL in 2006, having worked within the automotive industry for many years. Richards experience in production and operations is helping to drive EOL forward even further.

Jan Booth is a qualified archives and records professional with over 12 years experience working with information services and systems in business, local government and higher education. Jan has academic legal training and has managed information compliance services at the University of Westminster and at King's College London. Areas of specialisation include data protection, governance and compliance in research and information law for librarians and archivists.

Jan represents the HE sector on the British Standards Institute's Data Protection Advisory Panel and trains information professionals on legal issues for the Society of Archivists (SoA) and the Museums, Libraries and Archives Council (MLA).

Christine Cooper is a barrister at Field Court Chambers. Prior to retraining as a lawyer, Christine was an IT Manager within the academic community.