

## Protect Briefing – 25/4/17



## CEO fraud - what you need to know.

CEO fraud incidents continue to rise as more and more businesses are targeted by cyber criminals. What appears to be a legitimate email from your boss could end up costing your business tens of thousands of pounds. An article on the website BBC explains this crime type and what companies can do to protect themselves.

To read the full article visit [bbc.co.uk](http://bbc.co.uk)  
For further information see [The Little Book of Cyber Scams](#).

## GDPR could be the next PPI

During a breakfast meeting hosted by Remora DCI Andrew Gould, Head of the Metropolitan Police cybercrime unit, stated that as the new GDPR rules will have an individual compensation element, victims of breaches could claim compensation. 'If thousands are victims of one breach, law firms may want to take it on a 'no-win, no-fee' basis' he stated. The GDPR will apply in the UK from 25 May 2018. The government has confirmed that the UK's decision to leave the EU will not affect the commencement of the GDPR.

To view the full article visit [SCmagazine](#)



The Cyber Essentials scheme provides business' with clarity on good practice within cyber security.

Find out more [here](#).



## Cyber Security Breaches survey 2017

Almost half of UK businesses have been targeted by cybercrime in the past 12 months, according to the government's latest Cyber Security Breaches survey.

The survey, carried out by Ipsos MORI, in partnership with the Institute for Criminal Justice Studies at the University of Portsmouth, asked businesses about their cyber security practices.

Interestingly fraudulent emails persuading employees to reveal passwords or financial information were identified as the most common weapon used in cyber attacks.

To view the full report visit [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)



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## Time to stop bad security advice

At the recent CRESTCon & IISP Congress security conference Dr Ian Levy, technical director at the National Cyber Security Centre stated that 'cybersecurity companies drum up fear about nation-state attacks' and 'while these do occur, most companies are unlikely to face one'.

He continued "The majority of people in this country don't need to worry about nation-states, the majority of people get harmed by cybercrime, they get harmed by ransomware, they get harmed by script-kiddies,"

So are we too worried about threats that may never effect us or are impossible to defend against?

To read the full article visit [zdnet.com](http://zdnet.com)

## New Macafee Labs Threats report

Macafee have just released their latest threats report. Key topics include:

- Threat intelligence sharing: Its evolution, drivers, mechanisms, and challenges to overcome.
- Mirai botnet: How IoT devices infected with Mirai crippled a DNS service provider by executing a massive DDoS attack.
- New quarterly threat data: New charts, with information gathered from multiple sources, showing 2016 incident patterns.

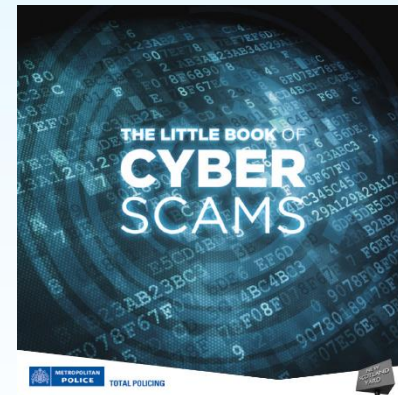
To view the full report visit [intelsecurity.com](http://intelsecurity.com)

## Why do teenagers turn to Cybercrime?

A new NCA report discusses the factors that lead young people in to committing online crime.

The [study](#) titled *Pathways into Cyber Crime*, was based on debriefs with offenders and those on the fringes of criminality.

To view the full article visit [the register](http://the-register)



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