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Cybersecurity Collaborative Appoints
Todd Fitzgerald as Chairman of the Executive Committee

Portland, Ore., December 9, 2019 – The Cybersecurity Collaborative a platform for Chief Information Security Officers (CISOs) and information security executives to share critical intelligence and leadership insights on a peer-to-peer basis, announced the appointment of cybersecurity leader and acclaimed author Todd Fitzgerald as Executive in Residence. He will also serve a dual role, as the Chairman of the Cybersecurity Collaborative Executive Committee.

Fitzgerald brings a wide breadth of experience and keen understanding of the complexities CISOs face as they work to seamlessly align security with business values and initiatives.

A tenured speaker, author and accomplished leader, Fitzgerald is a well-respected advisor and executive coach to multidisciplinary information security leaders. He has been recognized by numerous cybersecurity organizations, including being named 2016-2017 Chicago CISO of the year by ISACA, ISSA, AITP, InfraGard and SIM. He was also recognized as a Top 50 Information Security Executive in 2013 and has been a Ponemon Institute Distinguished Fellow since 2013.

An avid contributor to the cybersecurity community, Fitzgerald has published three books focused on improving CISO leadership capabilities. His most recent title, “CISO COMPASS: Navigating Cybersecurity Leadership Challenges with Insights from Pioneers”, includes personal, pragmatic perspectives from over 75 top CISOs and security leaders from around the globe.

“Fitzgerald brings extensive experience from executive leadership roles at Northern Trust, Grant Thornton International, Ltd., WellPoint (now Anthem), IMS Health, and American Airlines, and has held numerous security leadership positions across the financial, healthcare and enterprise business sectors. He’s one of the most trusted and respected cybersecurity leaders in the world” said Bob Dethlefs, Chairman of the Cybersecurity Collaborative, CyberRisk Alliance (“CRA”) -- and Founder & Former CEO of Evanta.

“What really impressed me about the Cybersecurity Collaborative is the passion to engage dedicated and experienced leaders and develop practical guidance to share with the broader security community to make all of our organizations stronger, regardless of size,” Fitzgerald said. “As a long-time CISO, author and presenter on security leadership issues, this dovetailed very nicely with my own mission: to share market intelligence and practices; and continuously learn from others.”

The Cybersecurity Collaborative was recently acquired by the CyberRisk Alliance (CRA), a business intelligence company serving the cybersecurity and information risk management marketplace. CRA’s mission is to serve the community with a diversified portfolio of market-leading services that inform, educate, build community, and facilitate commerce with efficiency and confidence. CRA is a portfolio company of Growth Catalyst Partners.
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About Cybersecurity Collaborative

Cybersecurity Collaborative is the only private, secure and confidential cross-industry network of CISOs and security executives dedicated to peer collaboration. The community provides a safe environment to share skills, knowledge and experiences on security and IT challenges. The Collaborative’s primary objective is to strengthen security readiness and defense of each member organization and the cybersecurity community at large. Cybersecurity Collaborative is an affiliate of CyberRisk Alliance.

For more information, visit CyberLeadersUnite.com.

About CyberRisk Alliance

CyberRisk Alliance is a business intelligence company founded through a partnership between Doug Manoni and Growth Catalyst Partners in November 2018. Created to serve the high-growth, rapidly evolving cybersecurity and information risk management marketplace, the company is comprised of a diversified portfolio of business information products and services with a shared mission of informing, educating and training business professionals, while building community and facilitating industry commerce. CRA has made rapid moves in the last several months to organically build and acquire leading businesses to accelerate its influence and impact on the cyber security industry. CRA’s current portfolio includes SC Media, InfoSec World Conference and Expo, the Security Leadership Exchanges, Cybersecurity Collaboration Forum and Cybersecurity Collaborative.

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