

ThriveDX, NightDragon Launch the World's First Cyber Talent Hub

Supplemental Quotes:

"Our Cybersecurity and digital skills programs in partnership with ThriveDX is a vital part of our focus on the success of employers and individuals throughout Wisconsin and across the country," said Ed Borbely, Associate Dean, College of Engineering, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

"Solving the most critical cybersecurity challenges starts with attracting, developing and retaining the right people and providing them with the best-in-class training and technology to do their jobs best. With the threat landscape continuing to expand both in sophistication and frequency, the time has never been better for us to join forces with other industry leaders to shape this first of its kind talent hub and increase our pipeline of exceptional tech talent that is ready and able to tackle the challenges ahead," said Brian O'Donnell, Vice President of Cybersecurity Solutions at Carahsoft.

"Closing the cybersecurity talent gap is one of the biggest challenges facing global businesses and governments today," said Jesper Trolle, CEO of Exclusive Networks. "With an estimated 2.7 million deficit in the global cyber workforce it is going to take a huge effort to rebalance the cyber talent equation. Collaboration between the cyber industry, educational institutions and governments is critical to this effort and we applaud this move by ThriveDX and NightDragon. At Exclusive Networks we are committed to nurturing and growing the next generation of cyber talent and are delighted to be a founding partner of this fantastic initiative."

"The ripple effect of the global IT skills gap and tech talent shortage is real, growing and seen in nearly every facet of our digitally-reliant economy," said Eric Kohl, VP, Cybersecurity, Ingram Micro. "Digital is the present and the future, which is why we're thrilled to join this alliance and apply our cyber knowledge, training experience and enablement resources to launching the industry's First Cyber Hub & Talent Marketplace. Working together we are addressing these challenges head-on and creating greater opportunity for new and existing talent to invest in their success, collaborate and thrive now and in the future."

"At Liberty Mutual, security is at the center of everything we do – and as cyber threats continue to evolve – we're committed to attracting, developing and retaining exceptional cyber experts. This partnership will be instrumental in helping us expand our talent pipeline, upskill our tech employees and ultimately safeguard our security posture," said Katie Jenkins, Chief Information Security Officer, Liberty Mutual Insurance.

"There is a growing global urgency to present new routes that enable access to employment opportunities and skill building avenues. Tackling the cybersecurity skills gap as a collective group of industry leaders, employers and educational institutions opens up a whole new diverse talent pool. Widening the aperture of talents is one more way to make a meaningful impact on closing the cybersecurity talent gap, and tackle the latest new and novel cyber threats. We are proud to be part of the founding partners helping to drive this important initiative forward," said Barbara Massa, EVP, Chief of Business Operations at Mandiant.

"Addressing the cyber skills gap is both a national security and national prosperity imperative. Building a strong US cybersecurity workforce ensures that our nation's digital infrastructure is protected while also providing high quality jobs that are accessible to a diverse candidate pool of Americans. Jacobs is proud to be a founding member of this first of its kind Cyber Hub and Talent Marketplace and play our part in making urgently needed cyber talent more available to



institutions across the country," said John Karabias, Jacobs Vice President of Strategic Development.