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January Member Highlight

ChicagoFIRST: Brian Tishuk

What community do you serve?

ChicagoFIRST primarily serves the financial sector, although it has energy sector members and is open to firms in any sector.

How and when was your partnership formed?

ChicagoFIRST formed in 2003, when 14 financial firms decided to establish a volunteer-based association so that members could collaborate with one another on resilience issues and, as a group, with government at all levels. In 2004, the association instituted a dues structure, which allowed it to hire an executive director. The association came together both because financial firms in Chicago saw the benefits of collaboration and because the U.S. Treasury Department promoted the partnership concept and agreed to recognize it.

How many members are currently in your partnership?

There are currently 29.

What three words would you use to describe your partnership?

Local, regional, and national.

What are the future goals for your partnership?

There are nearly 20 FIRST organizations across the country, all of them volunteer except for ChicagoFIRST. To assist the other FIRSTs, ChicagoFIRST has incorporated an entity—the Regional Partnership Council, or *RPCfirst*—and is negotiating with other components of the broader financial sector partnership to obtain the funding necessary to provide basic services to the other FIRST organizations through *RPCfirst*. These arrangements will fund crisis communications, coordinated crisis procedures, websites, and staffing assistance. Attention will be focused on assisting FIRSTs in need and to helping establish a FIRST in the New York/New Jersey area. In time, *RPCfirst* will, in some ways, become the head of a national organization of local/regional/state chapters.

How has your partnership advanced CISR mission in your community?

The primary means by which ChicagoFIRST has advanced critical infrastructure protection within our community is through the formation of the Chicago Public/Private Task Force. The members of this Task Force include public safety agencies and operational private sector partnerships. ChicagoFIRST co-chairs it with the Chicago Office of Emergency Management & Communications. An institutionalized vehicle for addressing public/private issues had been a goal of ChicagoFIRST's since its founding. The Task Force was formed in 2010. The Task Force has now become the primary body through which information and policy issues affecting both sectors are addressed. Whether the issue concerns a pandemic, severe weather, or a terrorist attack, the Task Force serves as the body that will ensure the key components of the private sector have the information they need. Moreover, private sector requests for information, action, supplies, or whatever are to go through the Task Force. Credentialing has been solved by the Task Force, and formal evacuation/shelter-in-place procedures are now being compiled. Task Force members have access physically to the City's emergency operations center and may also access information through its WebEOC portal.

What is one of the biggest challenges that you face as a public/private partnership?

The only serious challenge has been funding since the beginning of the financial crisis in 2008. To ensure that the private sector continues to fund and govern ChicagoFIRST, recruiting and maintaining members has been a major issue during the past several years. Although other FIRSTs charge no dues, they, too, face membership challenges, as the time of employees becomes as scarce as funds. Thus, providing the value demanded by members is a key to sustainability. This requires flexibility and creativity in product and service offerings, as well as the need to hone in on our core mission.

Who is your representative to the RC3?

Brian Tishuk is the representative.

How can RC3 members contact you (web, social media, email, etc.)?

Email is the easiest method at brian.tishuk@chicagofirst.org.

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RC3 Membership

Alaska Partnership for Infrastructure Protection
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 All Hazards Consortium
 Bay Area Center for Regional Disaster Resilience
 California Resiliency Alliance
 ChicagoFIRST
 Colorado Emergency Preparedness Partnership, Inc.
 InfraGard Minnesota Members Alliance
 InfraGard National Members Alliance
 InfraGard Pittsburgh Members Alliance
 Missouri Public Private Partnership
 National Health - Information Sharing & Analysis Center
 New Jersey Business Force
 Northeast Disaster Recovery Information X-Change
 Pacific Northwest Economic Region
 Pittsburgh Regional Business Coalition for Homeland Security
 Ready San Diego Business Alliance
 Safeguard Iowa Partnership
 SoCalfirst
 South Florida Disaster Resilience Coalition
 Southeast Emergency Response Network
 The Infrastructure Security Partnership
 U.S. Chamber of Commerce
 Western Cyber Exchange

RC3 Cyber Working Group Highlights

December Cyber Working Group:

- ◆ John Lyons, Chief Executive of the International Cyber Security Protection Alliance (ICSPA), briefed on the EosEdge Platform. The platform helps cyber victim organizations understand what Intel is to be sold on the darknet following a breach.
 - ◆ The EosEdge Platform will provide darnet operations training.
- ◆ Jane Ginn, Cyber Threat Intelligence Network, introduced European Union Agency for Network and Information Security (ENISA) as the center of information security and sharing in the European Union.
 - ◆ Data discovery in two parts: (1) Network forensics phase of web crawling, and (2) Published sources phase of web crawling.

RC3 Cyber Working Group Membership List

Doug DePeppe, Cyber WG Chair
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Cyber WG SMEs:

Michael Clark, Symantec Corporation
 Richard Stiennon, IT Harvest
 Vanessa Johnson, ForeScout
 Rob Dixon, Accuvant LAB
 Charlie Benway, ACS Center

RC3 Cyber Working Group Proposed Meeting Schedule January 2015 — February 2015

February 19, 2015

3:00PM EST Teleconference Call: 877-414-3497 / PIN 9947215

Other Upcoming Meetings

RC3 Executive Committee

Tuesday, January 27, 2015

3:00PM EST Teleconference Call: 877-414-3497 // Pin: 9947215

RC3 General Membership

Tuesday, February 17, 2015

4:00PM EST Teleconference Call: 877-414-3497 // Pin: 9947215



Events and News

Membership Engagement

RC3 is looking for membership engagement and would like to hear from you. To make each webinar as beneficial as possible, RC3 is collecting webinar topics.

If you have topics of interest, please reach out to RC3 Secretariat at Region-alCCC@gmail.com.

JCIP Facts

- ◆ Over 1,700 participants
- ◆ 80% of participants found the series to be valuable and relevant to their daily work
- ◆ 93% indicated that they plan to participate in the 2015 JCIP series

To access the recorded materials from this series, visit the [Partnership Communications page \(https://hsin.dhs.gov/ci/sites/ppp/Pages/default.aspx\)](https://hsin.dhs.gov/ci/sites/ppp/Pages/default.aspx) on HSIN.

Be the first to receive the 2015 JCIP Webinar Series schedule! Send your name and email address to sector.partnership@hq.dhs.gov

Webinar Series: Climate Adaptation and Critical Infrastructure

The National Protection and Programs Directorate, Office of Infrastructure Protection, will host a Webinar entitled, “Regional Adaptation Strategies for Addressing Sea Level Rise and its Cascading Effects.” The second in a series of Climate Adaptation and Critical Infrastructure Webinars is scheduled for **Friday, January 30, 2015, from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. EST**. This joint partnership webinar will feature speakers from Federal, State, and local entities discussing regional adaptive strategies and activities for addressing the impacts of sea level rise on critical infrastructure and will cover the topics listed below:

- ◆ Sea level rise in the Southeast United States – cause, how high, and when
- ◆ Organizing Communities
- ◆ Comprehensive Planning

[Register Today!](#)

Date: Friday, January 30, 2015; 1:00PM to 2:30PM EST

[HSIN Webinar Link](#)

Joint Critical Infrastructure Partnership (JCIP) Webinar

In Fall 2014, the Office of Infrastructure Protection (IP) and the Regional Consortium Coordinating Council (RC3), in partnership with InfraGard, hosted the 2014 Joint Critical Infrastructure Partnership (JCIP) webinar series. Each hour-long session was presented twice each month to assist regional stakeholders in their efforts to enhance preparedness, security, and resilience.

September—National Preparedness Month

Minnesota-based panelist discussed security and resilience efforts associated with the 2014 Major League Baseball All-Star Game and lessons learned for planning major public events. The presentation featured IP’s Stakeholder Education and Training Section and covered training offered by IP related to security awareness, as well as foundational courses available to stakeholders related to critical infrastructure security and resilience.

October—Cybersecurity Awareness Month

The DHS Office of Cybersecurity and Communications featured two cyber risk management efforts in the month of October: the **Stop. Think. Connect** Campaign and the C³ Voluntary Program. Both of these programs align business enterprises and local governments and encourage the management of cyber risks, understanding of cyber threats, and empowerment of the American public to be safer and more secure online.

November—Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience Month

With a focus on public-private partnerships, this session featured a panel comprising both government-based critical infrastructure and emergency management specialists and private sector utility companies from Utah and Ohio. Each shared innovative best practices from partnerships they have collaboratively developed related to critical infrastructure security and resilience.



About Us

Regional Consortium Coordinating Council

How to Connect

To better connect with RC3, social media tools are available. RC3 has four different social media outlets: Facebook, Twitter, a personalized website, and a blog.

For more information on RC3 social media, please contact Erica Wirtz, Social Media Chair at erica.j.wirtz@wellsfargo.com.

RC3 is one of the cross-sector partnership councils described in the National Infrastructure Protection Plan (NIPP). RC3's activities place emphasis on enhancing the physical, cyber, and personnel security of infrastructure; emergency preparedness; and overall industrial and governmental continuity and resilience of one or more States, urban areas, or municipalities.

The members of RC3 include regional partnerships that focus on critical infrastructure security resilience (CISR) protection and regional resilience.

The purpose of RC3 is to understand, connect, enable and build partnerships to enhance the protection of the critical infrastructure of the United States and the resilience of our communities.

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