



JERICO FORUM ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2005

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Goals

This 1-day Annual Conference was primarily aimed towards IT managers and technologists from business and government, to convey the Jericho Forum's belief about why the members of this Forum are showing the way forward on the information security solutions that IT-dependent businesses need, and why it is important for IT business decision-makers to get involved in increasing the momentum towards defining the new security solutions we need and ensuring IT solutions providers develop the products we want to buy.

Context

IT-dependent organisations are increasingly recognizing that traditional security mechanisms no longer meet today's tougher demands for conducting business across an open, extended-enterprise environment. A new model is needed: one that enables business to embrace the Internet and to securely exploit public infrastructure and services directly within the organization's technology and business boundaries. Such a model would connect an organization and its business processes to all external stakeholders, seamlessly and securely, enabling employees, suppliers, and customers to collaborate anytime, anywhere, and at the lowest cost to all.

This is a radical vision. But the Jericho Forum believes it to be the right one to embrace, because Jericho Forum members understand the benefits and many have already demonstrated benefits from implementing the first steps towards this goal. The Jericho Forum has already identified the key business and technology drivers that shape the realization of the new model. In this Annual Conference, leading members presented examples of how they are defining these key requirements and implementing strategies to handle secure IT operations in our increasingly de-perimeterized global business environment.

Presentations

All the slides presented in this Annual Conference are available in a single downloadable package from the Jericho Forum Web site at www.jerichoforum.org

Richard Watts, Haymarket - publisher of SC Magazine, welcomed attendees to the Annual Conference and underlined their continuing support for the Jericho Forum.

Paul Fisher, Editor - SC Magazine UK, then gave the Keynote presentation in which he too looked forward to seeing the exciting new developments in IT Security that the Jericho Forum members are forecasting, and asserted his support in making them visible in the marketplace.

Nick Bleech, IT Security Director, Rolls Royce, then presented very rapidly the formal launch of the Jericho Forum's "commandments", which capture the key rules that Jericho Forum members believe need to be applied as you move towards a de-perimeterized world. These commandments are listed in the conference slide package and are also summarized in a Press Release from the Conference.

Stephen Whitlock, Chief Architect for Information Protection & Assurance, Boeing Corporation, followed with a presentation titled "What Hath Vint Wrought", in which he cited key features of the Internet that have necessitated businesses like Boeing to take significant actions to secure their IT operations in the de-perimeterized global environment where most of their IT transactions occur over the Internet. His presentation title is a reference to Vint Cerf who is generally recognized as the inventor of the Internet, and who never intended or designed it to be secure, Now that business usage demands secure operations, we all have to respond to the unintended consequences of business adoption of the Internet as a globalized IT highway.

Paul Simmonds, Global Information Security Director, ICI, then presented one of a set of real-world application Positioning Papers released at this Conference – on the need for Secure Protocols – explaining why inherently secure protocols are key to securely operating in our global IT environment. A 2nd Press Release from this Conference summarizes the 4 Positioning Papers released during the Conference, in the context of an initial set of 12 papers.

Andrew Yeomans, VP Global Information Security, DrKW, followed with a 2nd in our set of real-world application Positioning Papers released at this Conference – on corporate wireless networking – explaining how securing wireless becomes simpler if you operate in a de-perimeterized environment.

Andrew continued with presenting the 3rd Positioning Paper released at this Conference – on Voice over IP – explaining why VoIP can offer huge business benefits if implemented using de-perimeterized principles.

Paul Dorey, VP Digital Security & Chief Information Security Officer, BP, took the proceedings to the lunch break, with a presentation describing how his organization is implementing their migration to a de-perimeterized environment, leveraging the Internet as a core component in enabling secure business computing operations. He noted the recent press coverage on this, confirming that phase 1 of their strategy will be completed within the next 2 months at which point some 18,000 users will be outside their perimeter and operating over the Internet, and plans are to move most of their other 75,000 users to the same level.

After the lunch break, Paul Simmonds gave a view on what a de-perimeterized "Road Warrior" would look like, describing how the mobile worker may evolve.

Nick Bleech closed the set of presentations with a recommendation that we must prepare for the future – suggesting key issues that represent fundamental requirements for de-perimeterized operations, and how these issues could map to your business. He introduced the 4th Positioning Paper released during this Conference – on the required approach to architecture for de-perimeterization - during his presentation

After a short break, most of the presenters formed a panel in a "Face the Audience" question & answer session, which was moderated by Paul Fisher. A detailed report on this session will be added here shortly.
