

SECTION:

Security Equipment Manufacturers (SEMS)

Criteria:

A manufacturer of security equipment that supplies into the UK.

Mission Statement:

To represent, support, and strengthen the UK's professional security equipment manufacturing sector by driving standards, fostering innovation, and advocating for fair, competitive market conditions nationally and internationally."

Vision:

To be the leading voice of UK security equipment manufacturers, ensuring that British innovation sets the benchmark for trusted, high-quality, and globally competitive security solutions."

Educate:

- Promote professional security solutions to SEMS members BSIA marketing, BSIA other members, with an aim for government sectors, adjacent industries, specifiers, and the public.
- Provide members insight on standards industry guidance and publications and thought leadership and provide insight in standards via TC1 role to transpose the standards to the SEMS members in a strategic manner.

Elevate:

- Highlight manufacturers' role in delivering secure, reliable systems safety and resilience that comply with national and international standards.
- Differentiate BSIA SEM members from non-professional suppliers by underlining compliance, certification, and reliability and demonstrating competency via BSIA schemes.
- Celebrate SEMS successes to wider verticals, and personnel by nominating for the British Security Awards.

Evolve:

- Evolve guidance and support best practice in a changing technological landscape.
- Support and engage with training and initiatives to raise skills sets and professionalism across the security industry.
- Influence standards development on I&HAS related legislation.

Goals:

What the SEMS section will achieve in the coming year:

Educate

- Conduct surveys to enhance SEMS members market understanding:
 - 2 surveys completed and feedback for 2026 and decide content as we go. i.e. interaction in use of security systems and understanding user habits.
 - Interest in market customers regarding the threats and risks and how are they addressed.
 - Angle for the training on how engineers see themselves, and how they are supported.
- White papers for professional security - commercial area and domestic area off the shelf solutions etc.
- Standard guidance documentation i.e. BS EN 50136 series of what's changed publication.
- Action group creation - BS EN 50131-1 is being revised and the impact is going to be substantial with radical changes that could be impactful i.e. a standard full of principles. More meetings at Technical Committee TC/1 level that are required to report status of standard i.e. at the drafting stage, and request for a deep dive into the document and report back to SEMS.

Elevate

- Proper market survey (outward looking marketing tool) – special fund request or commission a market survey i.e. needs to be specific cost market target sector and how people are viewing professional security and the follow up of actions which are equally important.
- Technology focused wider and encompassing as CYSPAG as a scheme - CySPAG vs Non-CySPAG – technology outside of CYSPAG area cloud solutions. Connected devices and other services of security system technology is changing, and information is a key part and focusing around cyber.
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Evolve

- Membership and attendance and engagement – metrics driven by percentage.
 - Improving TC1 members as there is a concern of losing authority in Europe in the driving of standards.

Request to fill the position of chair in the TC1 committee group. – currently 6-8 members actively attend.