

NEW FEATURE

Patrick McIlwee FBCI – Our Member of the Month



As a membership organization with limited resources and a very modestly sized office with full-time staff dedicated and committed to fulfilling and realizing the mission of the Institute, we still rely heavily on member volunteers to assist us in carrying out this work. The global network and governance structure of the Institute is based on, and supported by membership volunteers in a variety of areas from Directors, to Chapter and Forum responsibilities, to Area Representatives and others who support the work in various ways; we are grateful for all the work they do.

Starting in this edition of the eNewsletter, we will be acknowledging and recognizing every month, the work of **one** outstanding volunteer who will be recommended and selected for this accolade by the executive staff of the BCI. We are calling it the **Member of the Month**.

This month therefore, we recognize **Patrick McIlwee FBCI** as our **Member of the Month**.

Patrick holds a BSc (Hons) degree and is an F.B.C.I. He has over 20 years' experience in the field of disaster management and business continuity, and has been involved in operational responses to several major incidents both within the UK and overseas. His wide ranging experience includes a detailed knowledge of BS25999 which has enabled him to offer advice and support across the range of multi-nationals to SMEs in a wide variety of sectors including airport authorities, local government, health services, banks and banking regulators to name a few.

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He has been a member of the BCI since 2005 and joined the ranks of FBCI in 2007. Patrick has always been an active member of the BCI contributing in a voluntary capacity right from the very start. He has most recently been an active member of the Membership Council and was later co-opted onto the new Global Membership Council at the end of last year, where he took on the role of Lead Auditor, developing and running the Audit Policy and Procedure. He is the first to volunteer to help Working Groups outside of his own and has been instrumental in the promotion of the BCI's CPD programme.

On occasion he represents the BCI by speaking at conferences. He is scheduled to attend two conferences in South America later this year. He was also the subject matter expert on the first examination writing team, was the BCI's lead for the consultation team for the new CFA Business Continuity Standards & Qualification, he has been a mentor for the BCI, a Membership Assessor, and Proctor for the BCI entry exam. We therefore consider him a credit to the institute and a great example that generously volunteered time is vital for an institute like the BCI to function effectively.

We proudly introduce you to Patrick Mcilwee, **our July Member of the Month**.

BCI New member of staff

We are pleased to welcome a new member of staff to the BCI Central Office. **Faye Leo** has joined the BCI staff as Sales Account Executive. Her initial main focus will be on expanding the base of BCI Partnerships and account managing existing Partners. If you wish to contact Faye, please email her on faye.leo@thebci.org.