EMVCo Appoints A European Liaison

19 April 2016 - EMVCo, the global technical body that facilitates the worldwide interoperability and acceptance of secure payment transactions, has today announced the appointment of Christian Delporte to the role of EMVCo European Liaison.

Within this position, Christian will play a vital role in ensuring that EMVCo is aligned and responsive to key developments in Europe and can support emerging regulations effectively. He will represent EMVCo in the (European) Cards Stakeholders Group and related initiatives as well as in other appropriate standardisation activities such as those led by the Euro Retail Payments Board. Christian will also be EMVCo's primary point of contact with significant stakeholders such as the European Commission and the European Central Bank.

With over 30 years of experience within the payments industry, Christian's prior role was at MasterCard as Head of Standards & Integration in the Digital Platforms Division. He has also held various management roles at MasterCard and Europay International, including his position as a representative on the EMVCo Board of Managers.

Jack Pan, current EMVCo Board of Managers Chair, comments: "EMVCo acknowledges the important regulatory developments under consideration in Europe and the need to be engaged in these discussions to ensure EMVCo can anticipate the needs of this mature EMV market. Christian's considerable experience and expertise within the European payments sector makes him an ideal candidate for the role. On behalf of EMVCo, I'd like to extend a warm welcome to Christian and look forward to him playing a key role in representing EMVCo in Europe."

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EMVCo is collectively owned by American Express, Discover, JCB, MasterCard, UnionPay and Visa, and focuses on the technical advancement of the EMV Specifications. To provide all payment stakeholders with a platform to engage in its strategic and technical direction, EMVCo operates an <u>Associates Programme</u> and encourages all interested parties to get involved.

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