



Invitation

**To the WS on the *EICAR Trustworthiness Strategy – progressing 2018*
on April 25th/26th:**

Dear EICAR members and friends,

The continuous evolution in technology creating an ever-changing environment with new challenges in social behaviour and legal sensitivities requires a constant review and adaption of the standard.

Regardless of these challenges, the original fundamental requirement to enhance trust in IT Security products remains unaffected. EICAR has slightly changed its approach in the overall strategy to put more emphasis on finding further strategic partners to join in and help actively to keep the EICAR Minimum Standard matching new developments and challenges and we are proud to announce that we could already welcome new corporate members from the AV industry and the IT Security market as corporate members and strategic partners in our "Trustworthiness Strategy".

We are also proud to report that with AV Comparatives in Austria and Vezprog in Hungary we have certified two AV testers as "Trusted EICAR Test-lab" and welcomed them as strategic partners. We can further report that the research initiated by EICAR at the Technical University Mannheim in Germany in the "Accountability and Trustworthiness using the EICAR Minimum Standard" has progressed and first results are available.

BSI joined as strategic partner

It is particularly notably remarkable, that the German "Federal Office for Information Security" (BSI) has recently joined us as strategic partner and will actively support our endeavour to enhance trust in IT Security products. It is even more noteworthy that this new strategic alliance will reach into the Data- Protection (Privacy) and Consumer Protection Sectors of the German Government and we are looking forward to their contributions in the furthering of the current standard.

To bring members, strategic partners and interested parties up to date and to discuss the way ahead into the near future, EICAR invites you to our WS:

EICAR Trustworthiness Strategy – progressing 2018

When? 25th and 26th April 2018
Where? G-Data, Königsallee 178, 47799 Bochum

Please find attached the current draft agenda and we are looking forward to welcome you as active contributor at our workshop.

With kind regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rainer Fahs".

Rainer Fahs
EICAR Chairman of the Board