

# Andy Lilly of Armour Comms appointed Chair of Technical Standards Committee at Secure Chorus

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Armour welcomes NCSC to Secure Chorus

London, UK, 30 April, 2018, Dr Andy Lilly, CTO of Armour Communications, has been elected as Chairperson of the Secure Chorus Technical Standards Committee. Armour Comms are a founding member of Secure Chorus, which recently welcomed the UK's National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) into the organisation. Secure Chorus serves as a platform for public-private sector collaboration in developing a security baseline for secure multimedia communications: this is a key strand in the UK's digital economy strategy, "to make the UK the safest place to live and do business online", as regularly espoused by Matt Hancock, Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Culture and Sport (DCMS).

Dr Lilly commented: "In addition to the UK government's requirement to protect OFFICIAL and OFFICIAL SENSITIVE communications, it is key that multimedia systems provide interoperability between different vendor systems, to support pan-government and enterprise collaboration capabilities. The definition of suitable forward-looking technical standards is critical to enabling this interoperability and promoting the growth of the associated networks and services both across the UK and internationally."

Armour has had a key role in Secure Chorus since the group's formation, working to define and develop the underlying security technologies into products such as Armour Mobile, demonstrating how communications applications can be created that combine the ease-of-use of social media apps while providing the security and seat-of-trust needed by government, defence, finance, healthcare and enterprises who need to protect and control their mobile communications on off-the-shelf, commercial smartphones, tablets and desktops.

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### About the National Cyber Security Centre

- The UK Government is fully committed to defending against digital threats and set up the National Cyber Security Centre last year through the five-year National Cyber Security Strategy, supported through £1.9 billion transformative investment.
- The NCSC provides a single, central body for cyber security at a national level and is the UK's technical authority on cyber. It manages national cyber security incidents, carries out real-time threat analysis and provides tailored sectoral advice.
- GCHQ is the parent body for the Centre, meaning that it can draw on the organisation's world-class skills and sensitive capabilities.

### About Secure Chorus Ltd

- Secure Chorus is a not-for-profit, membership organisation, serving as a platform for public-private

collaboration and development of common standards and capabilities for secure communication for the global digital economy.

For more information visit [www.securechorus.org](http://www.securechorus.org) and follow the company on LinkedIn and Twitter.

#### About Armour Comms

Armour Communications Limited is a UK based company supplying market leading technology for secure communication via 3G, LTE (4G), 3GPP, Wi-Fi and satellite for voice, video, messaging and data on Android, iOS and Windows platforms. Armour Mobile also features in-built secure conferencing (audio or video) between multiple callers and Push to Talk capabilities designed for blue light services.

Armour Mobile is available as a Cloud or an On-Premises solution, and by using the optional Armour Connect Gateway, integration to a customer's PBX and standard office desk phones is possible. With its focus on interoperability Armour Mobile was the first secure communications app to connect to Skype for Business (previously called Lync) using standard Cisco SIP-based technology, and Armour Desktop extends the secure mobile communications functionality of Armour Mobile and delivers it to organisations via a Windows 10 client.

Together Armour Mobile and Armour Desktop enable users inside and external to the organisation to communicate transparently within a secure and private environment, while taking advantage of the reduced costs and increased flexibility provided by Voice over IP corporate communications.

Armour solutions are FIPS, NATO and CPA approved up to OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE, with additional security layers to mitigate threats up to SECRET.

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