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SPEKTOR workshop highlights advances in digital forensic operations

In response to the increasing interest in and use of its SPEKTOR Digital Forensic Intelligence systems, Evidence Talks, recently held its third annual workshop for customers in the law enforcement sector.

Combining new feature demos with user success stories and a progress review of technical improvements made in response to user feedback received at last year's event, the emphasis was on strengthening delegates' knowledge and understanding of how to use SPEKTOR to best effect.

Other elements included an introduction to SPEKTOR Ultra and a progress update on Cascade Forensics - the company's new, fully scalable, client server architecture.

A series of keynote presentations given by Northumbria Police, Norfolk and Suffolk Constabulary and the British Transport Police provided delegates with the opportunity to learn how other forces are using the tools to identify the perpetrators of cyber-enabled crime, abuse and fraud as a key component in helping to bring offenders to justice.

Kevin Chandler, Detective Constable in the Cyber Crime Unit at British Transport's Force Headquarters, explained how their first use of SPEKTOR led to a successful prosecution of a multi-million phone fraud case.

Launched in response to a string of mobile phone thefts on the tube, British Transport Police's 'Operation Park' involved more than 100 officers and raids on a number of private properties and business addresses. When faced with examining the contents of some 47 devices, the unit decided to evaluate the role that Evidence Talks' SPEKTOR system could play.

New to the technology and without a background in digital forensics, a non-technical investigator used SPEKTOR to image and collect evidence from all of the recovered suspect devices. Using reports generated by SPEKTOR that identified where the evidence was, the force was able to rapidly reduce their efforts to six evidential key items as well as the recovery of 45,000 unique IMEI numbers and a number of successful prosecutions.

Andrew Sheldon, CTO of Evidence Talks, says the day was well received by delegates, many of whom rated the keynote speakers as 'outstanding' and found it highly useful to find out more about how other forces are using SPEKTOR to enhance the performance of their investigative operations.

"We are always looking to provide better ways of achieving justice using innovation and partnership and this event fits perfectly with that objective. Digital forensics is one of the most powerful weapons we have at our disposal to fight all manners of crime and the more skilled the users are the better the results will be."

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About Evidence Talks:

Evidence Talks is an independently owned global leader in digital forensics dedicated to helping Law Enforcement, Government agencies, Defence organisations, Corporates and Law firms in the pursuit of justice.

Founded in 1993 the company has built a team of security cleared forensic analysts, trainers, digital artists and software developers to create a suite of innovative forensic technologies, training and tools, together with output of CGI movies and associated graphics.

Evidence Talks is committed to assisting its clients officers and security staff around the world to fight cyber crime, with senior executives available to the media for expert comment.

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