

## Press release

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### Deloitte North West Europe appoints head of Europol as senior cyber partner

- **Rob Wainwright, executive director of Europol, joins Deloitte Cyber team;**
- **Brings 25-years of experience to the firm including from the Serious Organised Crime Agency, National Criminal Intelligence Service and the British Security Service;**
- **New hire part of the continued growth of Deloitte's European cyber security practice, including employing an additional 500 people across Europe.**

The professional services firm [Deloitte North West Europe](#) (NWE) today announces the appointment of Rob Wainwright as a senior partner in its European cyber security practice, where he will help lead and grow the team and business with clients. He will also be engaged in areas of related risk, such as financial crime and fraud. Rob will join the firm in June 2018 and whilst he will continue to be based in the Netherlands, he will work with clients across Europe including Switzerland.



Rob joins Deloitte from Europol, the European Union (EU) law enforcement agency, where he has been Executive Director for the past nine years. As a high-level executive in the EU and the leading voice in European policing, he managed the agency of 1,000 people with an operational network spanning 40 countries.<sup>1\*</sup> Europol connects over 1,000 law enforcement agencies and supports almost 50,000 cross-border investigations each year against transnational threats from crime and terrorism.

Rob has had a 25-year career in intelligence, policing, government, EU and international affairs, including at the Serious Organised Crime Agency, National Criminal Intelligence Service and the British Security Service.

Jacques Buith, managing partner of Risk Advisory at Deloitte North West Europe says: "Rob's expertise simply speaks for itself – he has not only a long career in Governmental service but has helped transform Europol into the leading European security institution on cyber, terrorist, financial crime and other threats. Having held such a significant role, he has an unparalleled understanding of how cyber and related risks are evolving and the criminal behaviour behind such acts. His experience and insights will be an invaluable addition to the team and to our clients' businesses."

Rob adds: "With the majority of my career spent on intelligence and global security issues, I've developed a deep interest in the rise of cyber security as a leading concern for governments and businesses in today's world. I have enjoyed my experience at Europol - helping to shape Europe's response to this and other major threats. Now I intend to bring that experience into the private sector, working with a wide range of clients in multiple industries, as part of a highly enterprising and professional team at Deloitte. The firm's global network, coupled with its excellent reputation in the market, inclusive culture and the breadth and depth of its cyber capabilities, makes Deloitte the perfect next step in my career."

<sup>1</sup> Rob's standard term at Europol expires on 1 May 2018.

David Sproul, chief executive of Deloitte North West Europe, says: "Rob's hire is part of the continued growth of Deloitte's cyber security practice across Europe, which continues to expand to meet client demand. This includes actively hiring around 500 people by the end of the year. Cyber-crime is a borderless threat to all businesses regardless of their size, industry or location, and it must be at the forefront of all executive's minds. Rob is in a fantastic position to help lead these boardroom conversations."<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> Gartner, the world's leading information technology and advisory company, ranked Deloitte #1 globally, based on revenue, in Security Consulting for the fifth consecutive year in its [May 2017 report](#).