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### **IPCA Appoints Head of Subcommittee**

Position will serve expanding need for standardized solutions

**Harrington, ME (Friday, May 8, 2015)** - Dr. Franklyn Taylor, Executive Director of IPCA, has announced the appointment of Mark H. Beaudry PhD CPP, to chair the subcommittee for the development of educational standards in the field Security Studies. Taylor, who also serves as chair of the Standards Committee of NEACJS, states that the security field has grown beyond the traditional Criminal Justice Model and needs to develop its own identity in concert with the business/industrial community which it serves.

Dr. Taylor selected Dr. Beaudry to chair this committee because of Beaudry's long history of bridging the gap between industry and academia and demonstrating a commitment to improving the discipline through integrating practical applications, professional expectations in the university class room and academic research into the corporate world.

Dr. Beaudry explains: Due to the recent popularity in expanding Security Studies through the development of security related curricula in higher education, the NEACJS Security Studies subcommittee realized the need to standardize degree programs. To that end, our focus has been to identify the major activities of the discipline overall and present them as the following interdisciplinary domains: security management; homeland security; predictive analytics via data and intelligence analysis; loss prevention & retail security; cybercrime; industrial safety; and risk management.

The primary objectives are: (1) building programs that provide an educated workforce with competencies needed by the industry, (2) developing a solid body of knowledge and broaden the opportunities for research; (3) promote the adoption of emerging technologies relevant to the security industry; and, (4) creating synergistic relationships between public and private agencies, academicians, security practitioners, and members of the community to collaborate ideas about how Security Studies can play a pivotal role in maintaining a safe and secure society. The NEACJS Security Studies subcommittee believes that a well-rounded, broad approach to the discipline, embracing current technologies and data-driven solutions will produce a more comprehensive understanding of the complexities that challenge security practitioners and serve to further promote and professionalize the discipline.

Other committee members include: Eva Giercuszkeiwicz, Marcel Beausoliel, Henry DiCarlo, Jeff Rush, Jason Paynich, Tom Oreilley, Bernard Greenawalt, David Champion, Marty Greenberg, Philip Pupura and Chris Hertig.

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