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## EMVCo Appoints Director of Technology

*New position created as EMVCo evolves to meet the changing needs of the global payments market*

**1 September 2015** - EMVCo, the global technical body that facilitates the worldwide interoperability and acceptance of secure payment transactions by managing and evolving the EMV® Specifications and related testing processes, has today announced the appointment of Bastien Latgé to the newly created role of EMVCo Director of Technology.

In the past decade, advances in the global payments landscape have caused the migration of payments technology across multiple channels. In the same time period, EMVCo has seen its scope expand beyond the original EMV Chip Specification to encompass more recent priorities including 3D Secure 2.0 and payment tokenisation. EMVCo's Director of Technology will play a key role in ensuring optimal coordination and alignment across all of the organisation's technical activities, which, as a result of these evolutions, now span multiple aspects of the payments infrastructure.

As Director of Technology, Bastien will balance his time between critical EMVCo priorities. Central to his role will be the oversight of internal technical developments across EMVCo's working groups, and he will also place significant emphasis on representing EMVCo in its liaison work with other technical bodies, to ensure effective collaboration and industry alignment in EMVCo's technical matters.

With over 15 years of experience within the payments industry, Bastien joins EMVCo from INSIDE Secure, where he held the position of Mobile Software Products Director. He has also held roles at Smart Consulting and Gemplus (now Gemalto).

Jack Pan, current EMVCo Board of Managers Chair, comments: "EMVCo's focus has evolved significantly over the past ten years, as the body reflects continual development occurring within the global payments landscape. The organisation's scope, which was initially focused on the original EMV Chip Specification, has widened to cover Card and Terminal Type Approval, Interoperability, contactless, mobile, Next Generation and our latest activities, the development of specifications for payment tokenisation and 3D Secure 2.0.

"EMVCo's Board of Managers has recognised that a full-time Director of Technology would be a valuable asset for the organisation and would better enable EMVCo to meet the needs of the global



payments community. Bastien’s considerable experience and expertise within the payments sector qualified him as a strong fit for the role as defined by the Board. On behalf of the Board of Managers, I’d like to extend a warm welcome to Bastien. And we look forward to him playing a key role in facilitating the execution of EMVCo’s technical initiatives.”

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EMVCo is the global technical body that facilitates the worldwide interoperability and acceptance of secure payment transactions by managing and evolving the EMV Specifications and related testing processes. Adoption of EMV Specifications and associated approval and certification processes promotes a unified international payments framework, which supports an advancing range of payment methods, technologies and acceptance environments. The specifications are designed to be flexible and can be adapted regionally to meet national payment requirements and accommodate local regulations.

EMVCo is collectively owned by American Express, Discover, JCB, MasterCard, UnionPay and Visa, and focuses on the technical advancement of the EMV Specifications. To provide all payment stakeholders with a platform to engage in its strategic and technical direction, EMVCo operates an [Associates Programme](#) and encourages all interested parties to get involved.

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