

# CITS / SASIG Event

## UK's Critical National Infrastructure Projects



Venue: **Coutts Bank**, 440 Strand, London WC2R 0QS

Date/Time: **20<sup>th</sup> June 2025** / 8.30am-12.15pm

### What Utility and Construction companies need to know!

Companies such as yours - which provide support and service to the UK's Critical National Infrastructure (CNI), may have noted a shift in the geopolitical landscape over the last few months. The UK government has recognised the escalated threat this poses to the UK's CNI.

This year has seen potential hostile state actors increasing their clandestine surveillance on the UK's CNI's systems. The situation has not been helped by previously presumed allies now displaying disturbing characteristics. As such, the UK is responding to this threat by implementing target hardening requirements on companies which provide support and service to the energy, water, and transportation industries.

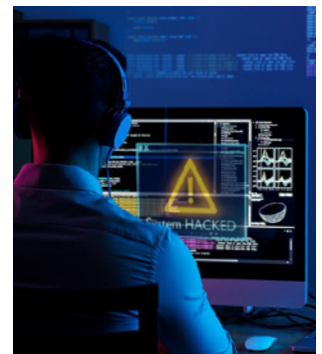
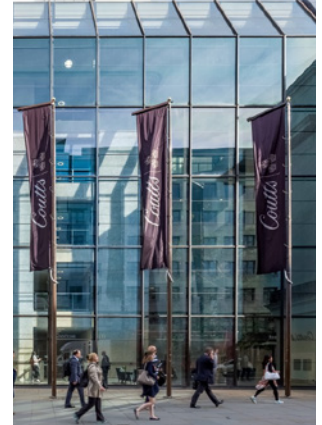
CITS and SASIG have come together to give these companies, the opportunity to learn from world specialists, on methods to improve physical as well as cyber security regimes within their organisation, and in turn to help protect the UK's CNI.

This is an 'invitation only' event, and is aimed specifically at utility and construction company directors.

**LOCATION** Coutts Bank, 440 Strand, London WC2R 0QS ([what3words: https://w3w.co/edges.shares.lively](https://w3w.co/edges.shares.lively))

#### AGENDA

- **08.30am** - Arrival: (Tea & Coffee will be provided)
- **09:00am** - Welcome and Housekeeping - John Simms, Lombard Regional Director
- **09:10am** - Opening Remarks - Ian Elliott, CITS Chairman
- **09:15am** - Joe Leonard - Corporate Development Executive, Gallagher (GGB UK Retail)
- **09:30am** - Panel Discussion: **'May you live in interesting times.'**
  - **Facilitator: Tarquin Folliss OBE**, Vice Chairman, SASIG
  - **Karoliina Ainge**, Associate Director Cybersecurity and Technology at Independent Diplomat, and former Head of Estonian Cyber Security Policy
  - **Malcolm Warr OBE**, Chair CNI Scotland
  - **Professor Rob Black**, Director Cyber Leaders Challenge and Professor of Systems and Software Security, University of Manchester
- **10:30am** - Tea & Coffee Break
- **10:50am** - Panel Discussions: **'Preparing for the worst, hoping for the best.'**
  - **Facilitator: Tarquin Folliss OBE**, Vice Chairman, SASIG
  - **Phil Litherland**, Principal Consultant, Bridewell
  - **Neils Christiansen**, Enterprise Security Solution Architect, Kudelski Security
  - **Tom Birch**, Head of Physical Security, Thames Water
  - **Liz Banbury**, CISO, Thames Water
  - **Marcus Rink**, Chief Inspector of DWI
  - **Paul A Stanley**, Physical Security Advisor, YTL Group (Wessex Water)
- **12:15pm** - Close - Light refreshments will be served after the event. (please advise any dietary requirements upon booking)



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