

ICT Resilience	17th March	GreenPark, Reading	<p>Can BCM keep pace with cost-driven technology change?</p> <p>Organisations are now working under exceptional financial constraints and so cost-savings in ICT are a top priority. With further pressure on storage capacity and to improve utilisation this means, for many, a transition to virtualisation of systems and resources; and outsourcing to an increasing number of service providers in the ICT supply-chain. Unless the organisation establishes appropriate policy at the highest level, the loser in this race to the bottom may well be resilience and continuity of service.</p> <p>This workshop will address the challenges facing the BCM team in a structured way: the processes; the technology, and the people issues. And delegates will, as always with the discussion exercises, learn by sharing experience of approaches adopted by other delegates.</p>
Public Sector BCM	23rd & 24th April	Leeds	<p>Aligning with BS25999 for BCM delivery; and BCM awareness in the Community</p> <p>The Civil Contingencies Act requires work in two key areas in relation to business continuity: ensuring the resilience of those organisations charged with responding to an emergency; and the promotion of BCM awareness throughout the community. This workshop will address both these areas and will have a special focus on BS 25999.</p>
Supply Chain Resilience	14th May	London	<p>Exploring best practice in supply-chain resilience</p> <p>Currently being developed as part of a BCI project to update our understanding of the issues associated with ensuring continuity and resilience in working with third-party product and service providers, this workshop has particular relevance in a period where there is growing concern over the viability of increasingly complex, and often global, supply-chains.</p>
Strategic Planning for BCM Leaders	Week commencing 14th June	London	<p>Where are we going with BCM?</p> <p>We hope that the more experienced BCM practitioners will enjoy this opportunity to explore a number of related topics such as "organisational resilience", "industry leadership" and "emerging challenges" with a view to determining how BCM as a discipline might need to develop in the next five years. Delegates will all be expected to contribute individually to the programme</p>
Exercise Planning Master Class	Week commencing 13th July	Leeds	<p>A plan is not a plan until it is exercised</p> <p>Delegates will be taken on a journey through the development and delivery of an exercise programme – from "policy & planning" to "identifying lessons". The motivation to develop this Master Class comes from the feedback from delegates that attended the highly successful Exercise Planning Workshop held in July 2008.</p>
Human Aspects of BCM	Week commencing 7th Sept or 15th Sept	TBC	<p>Evacuation planning: where people must come first</p> <p>One of the most challenging issues for the BCM practitioner is to take proper account of the needs of people – often a far larger community than employees alone – and no more so than when a situation demands the evacuation of premises.</p> <p>A Workshop for HR and security professionals as well as the BCM team.</p>
Finance Sector	Week commencing 30th Nov	London	<p>Lessons identified from another challenging year</p> <p>As in 2008, the Workshop programme will be developed with the assistance of the Finance Sector Advisory Panel. By December 2009 there will, no doubt, be much to discuss in terms of lessons identified throughout a very challenging year.</p>

WORKSHOP FORMAT

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FEEDBACK

'I find the workshops useful and cost effective in benchmarking the quality of our organisation's BC program. The workshops attract cross sector attendees that provide an excellent debating platform opening up new avenues of thought and the networking opportunities are invaluable.' L. McMullan, City of Lincoln Council

'The workshops are a very interesting way to exchange on Business Continuity. I particularly like the limited number of attendees. This helps a lot for having real discussions with the speakers and debates between the attendees. The fact that people go to the workshops with the idea to share their experiences and to question also contributes to rich discussions. It is also very interesting to see that you won't have two identical workshops on the same subject.' R. Defline, BNP Paribas