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# We are sponsors of the “Empowering Women to Lead Cyber Security” program

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Last year we proudly sponsored and participated in the South East branch of the **Empowering Women to Lead Cybersecurity** program and we’ll be sponsoring it again this Autumn. The program is a unique cross-sector leadership development initiative that aims to develop a sustainable community of empowered female leaders in cyber security roles across the UK.

## What’s the event about?

As part of the program there is an interactive two day in person event with a mix of individual and group sessions, focused on boosting women’s leadership skills. One of our own women in cybersecurity, **Sydonie Williams**, Focus Group Leader – Rest of World (RoW), Cyber Risks and Co-chair of our internal women’s network, **Beazley SHE**, was a guest speaker at a leadership session. Sydonie was able to share her leadership insights as a woman in cybersecurity and network with the attendees.

## What made us sponsor?

As cyber insurance pioneers with a passion for increasing women in our Senior Leadership roles, this was a great opportunity to support an initiative so closely aligned with our internal values. We believe we have an important role in helping the market to grow and reflect the diversity of our client base; we need women to represent.

“It’s important for us to choose the right partners to collaborate with to drive innovation in the industry and support the growth of a diverse future. I am excited to be supporting this initiative for another year.” Miriam Reid, Head of Business Management - Cyber Risks.

## How has it helped our future female leaders?

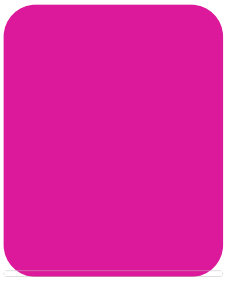
On top of sponsoring the program and providing a speaker, we encouraged two of our own thriving women in cybersecurity to participate in the course and accelerate their leadership development.

“Thanks to Beazley for sponsoring the event. I would highly recommend the program to others who are at the start of their leadership journey.”- Lauren Partridge, Underwriter, International Cyber & Tech risks.

“I wasn’t sure what to expect when I first joined but was so excited to be in a group of professional women in cyber. The sessions were extremely helpful and I learned, a lot about myself. I recommend this event to any other woman in cyber!”- **Susanna Brazzini**, Cyber Services Manager.

## Interested in a kickstart to your leadership journey?

We’ll be supporting **this year’s event** too, so if you or someone that you work with could be the next leader in cybersecurity, sign up here: Empowering Women to Lead… | Empowering You (empowering-you.co.uk)



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