

Global security specialist red24 strengthens top team with key appointments

red24, the global security specialist, has promoted a senior manager to Director level and strengthened its client advisory capability by recruiting an industry expert.

Sarah Spolander is now a red24 Director after seven years with the company. She has spent the past two years managing the Crisis Response Management Centre (CRMC), red24's operational core, and will take up her new role as its Director in February.



John Rossouw has more than 28 years of experience in the security industry and joins red24 to head the CRMC's Security Team. As Security Advice Manager, he will assume responsibility for advising clients on all their security needs, managing a team of security advisors and coordinating emergency responses.

Neil Thompson, red24's Operations Director, said: "These appointments are great news for red24's clients and staff, and reflect our very positive market position. Sarah is a key member of the red24 team who has more than proved she is ready to move up. Her extensive knowledge across all areas of the security and risk industry coupled with the strength of her relationships with staff and clients will prove invaluable as we take the company forward.

"We are delighted to have John join us. His experience in hostile environments, combined with his expert knowledge of the law, makes him an exceptional addition to our team and a great resource for our clients."

Sarah said: "I've been with red24 for over six years, and have gained extensive experience working in our Cape Town and London offices. I look forward to working with the Executive Management Team to further enhance our dynamic range of products and to ensure we maintain the highest level of information and assistance which our clients demand."

John said: "I'm very pleased and excited to be joining the successful team of security experts and analysts at red24. My experience in law enforcement and the international private security industry holds me in good stead to make a positive contribution in upholding red24's high service standard. I look forward to working with the red24 team and our clients."



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A former police inspector with the South African Police Service, John brings with him a wealth of security, risk and crisis management experience. Since leaving the police in 1998, John has held several senior international corporate security roles, in some of the most adverse and hostile conditions. Most recently he managed the security of more than 10,000 employees on a major project in Russia, working with Russian Federation law enforcement agencies.

John and Sarah will be based in the Crisis Response Management Centre (CRMC), the operational heart of red24. The centre, in Cape Town, is staffed 24 hours a day, 365 days a year by a dedicated team of multi-lingual customer service representatives, regional and subject matter analysts, as well as a team of experienced security experts who will now come under John's leadership and management.

The CRMC is housed in a state-of-the-art facility where high-end technology complements round-the-clock intelligence feeds, enabling red24 analysts and security experts to provide accurate, impartial, up-to-the-minute information and advice to its members.

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