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Fortinet's Joe Sykora Honored as One of CRN's 2016 50 Most Influential Channel Leaders

Joe Sykora, Claire Trimble and Jon Bove Each Awarded CRN 2016 Channel Chief Honors

SUNNYVALE, CA -- (Marketwired) -- 02/22/16 -- [Fortinet®](#) (NASDAQ: FTNT) -- the global leader in high-performance cybersecurity solutions, announced today that CRN®, a brand of The Channel Company, has named three of its channel leaders: Joe Sykora, vice president of Americas channels and enhanced technology, Claire Trimble, vice president of Americas marketing, and Jon Bove, regional vice president of US channels to its prestigious list of 2016 Channel Chiefs. Additionally, Sykora was named to the 50 Most Influential Channel Chiefs list. The executives on these annual lists represent top leaders in the IT channel who excel at driving growth and revenue in their organizations through channel partners.

Channel Chief honorees are selected by CRN's editorial staff on the basis of their professional achievements, standing in the industry, dedication to the channel partner community and strategies for driving future growth and innovation. Each of the 2016 Channel Chiefs has demonstrated loyalty and ongoing support for the IT channel by consistently promoting, defending and executing outstanding channel partner programs.

Sykora, Trimble and Bove were chosen to join this prestigious list due to their channel experience, development of innovative partner programs that empower the channel and their proven track records of success increasing sales for their partners. Their work demonstrates how critically important the channel is to building a more secure world.

"We are honored to present the 2016 lineup of CRN Channel Chiefs, comprised of outstanding executives who move our entire industry forward by cultivating exemplary partner programs and executing cutting-edge business strategy," said Robert Faletra, CEO, The Channel Company. "They represent an extraordinary group of individuals who lead by example and serve as both invaluable advocates and innovators of the IT channel. We applaud their incredible strides and look forward to following their accomplishments in the coming year."

"We're proud to have three of our leaders honored by CRN for their achievements in support of our partners," said Holly Rollo, chief marketing officer at Fortinet. "Each of them brings a unique perspective and true leadership that's critical to successfully developing, maintaining and evangelizing our channel programs. Their work underlines Fortinet's commitment to our channel partners and the vital role they play to help keep our customers secure."

The 2016 CRN Channel Chiefs list is featured in the February 2016 issue of CRN and online at www.crn.com/channelchiefs.

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