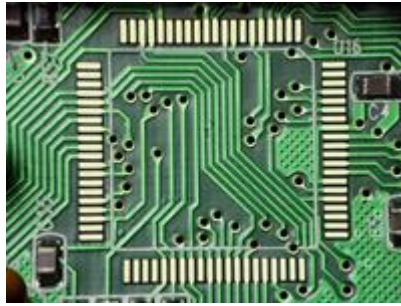


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YFM Funds back £3.5 million high security MBI



Funds managed by YFM Group, Chandos Fund, British Smaller Companies VCT and British Smaller Technology Companies VCT2, have completed the £3.5 million MBI of Deep-Secure Limited.

An encouraging end to another challenging but successful year, as funds managed by YFM Group invest in deals worth £49 million over the last 12 months.

Based in Reading, Deep-Secure's market leading products protect against threats to security via high defence network border gateway technology, which enables customers to maintain network separation and apply content inspection so as to defend sensitive and protected information from intruders. The all equity deal will enable further technological development of their cutting edge products.

As working practices change and more information is shared electronically, increasing levels of exposure to leakage and attack demands more businesses rely on higher levels of security to protect their data.

Serial software entrepreneur Richard Beaton, Chairman, and Kieron Sambrook-Smith, CEO, previously worked together at Boldon James. This is the third investment YFM has completed involving Richard Beaton following the success of North West based businesses Intuita and Tekton Group.

"We are delighted to be working with Richard again." says Nigel Barraclough, Investment Director YFM, "His expertise, acumen and attitude provide the grounds for a great working relationship whenever we work together. Deep-Secure is going to be an interesting and exciting company to work with, the future developments will see ground-breaking technology reach highly sensitive markets, changing the way companies defend their intelligence."

Richard says "During my last two ventures I developed a strong relationship with YFM. Both parties have a mutual understanding of how and where we see the business propositions going, even when times get incredibly tough YFM can still be relied upon and I hope to work with them again in the future."

Kieron says " In today's fast changing global security environment, this area of 'secure information exchange' is of increasingly high priority to commercial organisations, government agencies and nations spanning disparate geographies with requirements to connect previously isolated networks that facilitate the sharing of highly sensitive data. Our market leading position as provider of highly Assured technology in this area, tested and validated to government security agency standards

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(Common Criteria Evaluated Application Level 4) in 34 countries enables us to invest significantly in evolving this capability beyond applications such as email, web traffic and instant messaging to other forms of communication”

In 2009 funds managed by YFM Group completed 74 investments in deals worth £49m across the UK.