MongoDB Hires Lena Smart as Chief Information Security Officer

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NEW YORK, March 29, 2019 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- MongoDB, Inc. (Nasdaq: MDB), the leading modern, general purpose database platform, today announced Lena Smart will be joining MongoDB as the company's first Chief Information Security Officer.

Smart joins the company to oversee MongoDB's ongoing product security efforts which include industry-leading standards for products and services and educational efforts around security best practices. She will be responsible for growing MongoDB's global security team and evolving the company's security approach to match ever-changing threat vectors in both on premise and cloud database environments. Smart will report to MongoDB CTO and co-founder Eliot Horowitz.

"Security is a top priority at MongoDB, especially as we scale MongoDB Atlas, our global cloud database platform, to more users in more geographies. We have made great strides in recent years to not only provide our customers with best in class security features but to also educate them in best practices for database security," said Eliot Horowitz, CTO and co-founder, MongoDB. "I'm very excited to be adding Lena, a proven industry leader, as our first CISO to ensure that MongoDB security continues to evolve and improve even as our business continues to grow."

With more than 20 years of cyber security leadership, Smart has a history of building out security teams for global enterprises and is a recognized security industry leader. Before joining MongoDB, she was the Global Chief Information Security Officer for the international fintech company, Tradeweb, where she was responsible for all aspects of cybersecurity. Previously, Smart served as CIO and Chief Security Officer for the New York Power Authority, the largest state power organization in the country, where she was responsible for physical and cyber security, overseeing a staff of more than 250.

Smart is an active member of the cyber security community. She is a founding partner of Cybersecurity at MIT Sloan (CAMS), formerly the Interdisciplinary Consortium for Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity, which allows security leaders in academia and the private sector to collaborate on tackling the most challenging security issues. She has previously served as a Sector Chief with FBI InfraGard.

"MongoDB is enjoying massive adoption in every industry in every part of the world, and I'm excited to be joining at such a critical moment in the company's growth," said Lena Smart, CISO, MongoDB. "As part of that growth, I am very excited to scale our security efforts with an engineering and security team that puts a premium on providing users with industry best security offerings and education."

About MongoDB

MongoDB is the leading modern, general purpose database platform, designed to unleash the power of software and data for developers and the applications they build. Headquartered in New York, MongoDB has more than 13,000 customers in over 100 countries. The MongoDB database platform has been downloaded over 60 million times and there have been more than one million MongoDB University registrations.
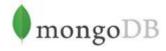
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