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Kidnapping is an important risk for multinational companies. Many have well developed plans and policies in place to cover the main challenges they would face: they have security processes to manage staff safety, insurance policies to cover the costs of a kidnap, and security consultants on standby to run the case.

Thankfully, kidnapping remains a rare occurrence, but this means that companies need to continue to refresh their knowledge and understanding of the latest trends and best practices. This seminar aims to do just that, with a focus on the areas most often neglected by corporate kidnap plans and policies.

- You will hear from former hostages about their experiences in captivity and after release
- Family members will tell you about what they went through and the support they needed
- Senior representatives from the main government agencies will talk about how they interface with families, employers and others during a kidnap
- You will hear accounts of how different organisations have managed kidnaps
- Renowned psychiatrists will explain what companies can do to manage the needs of families and hostages during and after the kidnap
- You will receive advice on handling the legal issues related to kidnapping

Hostage UK is a charity set up to help and support families during kidnaps and offer information and guidance for organisations sending employees to kidnap hotspots. It is running this seminar to allow companies to explore these issues in an informative and informal setting.



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There will be a maximum of 35 fee paying places available and the day will be conducted under the Chatham House Rule to allow frank and open exchange.

Places are **£475** each and will be available on a strictly first come, first served basis.

To reserve your place, print and complete the registration form and return it to Rachel Briggs via email or post. Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Rachel directly on rachel.briggs@demos.co.uk or 07720 402395.

All proceeds from this seminar will go to Hostage UK and we would like to thank all the speakers for giving their time free of charge.

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