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" THE ASIA PACIFIC COMPUTER EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (APCERT) SEALED A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE ORGANISATION FOR ISLAMIC COOPERATION – COMPUTER EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (OIC-CERT) "

The MoU signing was held in conjunction with the OIC-CERT Annual Conference and Annual General Meeting 2011 in Dubai, UAE

Asia Pacific Computer Emergency Response Team (APCERT) announces the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the APCERT and Computer Emergency Response Team (OIC-CERT). The signing ceremony was held during the OIC-CERT 3rd Annual Conference and General Meeting held recently in Dubai, UAE.

Lt Col Prof Dato' Husin Jazri (Retired), the Chief Executive Officer of CyberSecurity Malaysia said, "The cooperation with APCERT is another achievement by the OIC-CERT. Both parties agreed to collaborate on initiatives to address cyber threats and incidents in making cyberspace more reliable, safe and trustworthy".

Among the initiatives that both parties have agreed to on a 'best effort' basis are to exchange information about the current and future developments among the members of the two groups; to conduct joint cyber exercises; to have information exchange between the parties; to participate in each other's seminars and conferences as appropriate and whenever possible; to cooperate in projects that have relevant context as per mutual agreement by both parties.



The OIC-CERT comprises of 22 teams and 2 professional members from 18 OIC countries. Similarly, the APCERT membership consists of 27 CERTs and CSIRTs (Computer Security Incident Response Teams) from 18 economies in the Asia Pacific region.

“The Internet ecosystem faces significant challenges and we need to start thinking in solving the problems at a global level and using strategies and approaches that work to improve the ecosystem. This MOU is significant for APCERT members to jointly work with OIC-CERT members and to address global efforts required to solve common cyber security challenges. Through networking, members of both organizations will improve their ability to respond to new threats and vulnerabilities across continents and political boundaries” said Ms Yurie Ito, the Chair of APCERT.

“This year’s theme, ‘Understanding and Combating Cyber Crimes’ augurs well with the efforts of the OIC-CERT to address the issues of cyber related crimes through collaborative efforts amongst members and regional cooperation as evidenced by the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) concluded between the OIC-CERT and Asia Pacific Computer Emergency Response Teams (APCERT)”, said General Tan Sri Dato’ Seri Panglima Mohd. Azumi bin Mohamed (Retired), the Chairman of CyberSecurity Malaysia.

At the Annual General Meeting of the OIC-CERT held in Dubai, CyberSecurity Malaysia was re-elected for another term of two years as Chair of the OIC-CERT.

About OIC-CERT

The Organisation of the Islamic Cooperation – Computer Emergency Response Team or in short OIC-CERT was established in June 2005, to provide a platform for member countries to explore and to develop collaborative initiatives and possible partnerships in matters pertaining to cyber security that shall strengthen their self reliant in the cyberspace. The OIC-CERT is open to any suitable CERT, either supported and / or funded by the government, private sector or combination thereof that is interested in sharing the objectives of the OIC-CERT. More information on OIC-CERT can be obtained at: www.oic-cert.net



About APCERT

APCERT cooperates with CERTs (Computer Emergency Response Teams) and CSIRTs (Computer Security Incident Response Teams) to ensure Internet security in the Asia Pacific region based around genuine information sharing, trust and cooperation. At present, the APCERT membership consists of 19 full members and 8 general members from 18 economies within the Asia Pacific region. More information on APCERT at www.apcert.org

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