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INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION HELPS BOOST THE QUALITY AND SECURITY ASSURANCE OF ICT PRODUCTS

*CyberSecurity Malaysia introduces new service on ICT security products
assessment and evaluation*

(KUALA LUMPUR) - Security has become the most important element of all ICT products as most information and data are stored and transmitted electronically. The lack of security protection could lead to loss of information, data, and customer's intellectual properties; causes disruption to business operations and impacts the organization's reputation.

Realizing the importance of having security features in ICT products, CyberSecurity Malaysia, an agency under the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI) introduced a new service called 'ICT Product Security Assessment' (IPSA). The IPSA service provides independent assessment and evaluation on ICT products' security characteristics. Once the product has been evaluated and certified, customer's confidence on the security assurance and quality of the ICT product will increase.

According to YBhg. Lt Col Prof Dato' Husin Jazri (Retired), Chief Executive Officer of CyberSecurity Malaysia, "Independent assessment and evaluation of ICT product's security characteristic will meet the requirements for maintaining technical security features and enforcing functions such as access control, authentication, cryptography, auditing as well as error recovery."

The IPSA service is targeted to organizational customers who require ICT products' security assurance, and to local ICT product developers who are interested to increase their ICT product's security quality and to get their products endorsed by CyberSecurity Malaysia.



IPSA service provides various benefits to both, the customers as well as the developers, as it provides evidence of the ICT products performing as claimed by the developers. This would boost customer's confidence on the effectiveness of the security functions of the products. The engagement of third-party and independent evaluators help developers improves their products and processes. It is also a marketing instrument for ICT product developers to market their products and solutions.

“At present, we are conducting a pilot project on a few ICT products. By December this year, ICT product developers can send their products to CyberSecurity Malaysia for security assessment and product evaluation.”

“Our IPSA service is expected to improve the quality and confidence of the Malaysian-based ICT security products. It will also provide developers, vendors as well as consumers with a quick assessment method that will cut short the evaluation time and cost.” added Prof Dato’ Husin.

For those who want to obtain more information about the service, they may call CyberSecurity Malaysia at 03-89460999 (Wan Shafiuddin Bin Zainudin+ 03 8992 6907)

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