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MALAYSIA RE-ELECTED AS APCERT CHAIR FOR 2020 - 2021

PUTRAJAYA (30 SEPTEMBER 2020) – Malaysia, through CyberSecurity Malaysia an agency under the Ministry of Communications and Multimedia, has been re-elected as the Chair of the Asia Pacific Computer Emergency Response Team (APCERT). The election took place at the APCERT Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 29 September 2020.

Unlike previous AGMs, this year the event was conducted online due to the COVID 19 pandemic and hosted by the APCERT Secretariat, Japan Computer Emergency Response Team/ Coordination Centre (JPCERT/CC). This event is consistent with APCERT's vision of creating a safer, cleaner and more reliable cyber space within the Asia Pacific Region through global collaboration and trust.

As the Chair, CyberSecurity Malaysia encourage more involvement of the members in moving forward while continuing to lead the APCERT Malware Mitigation Working Group, a collaborative initiative among the APCERT and OIC countries to expand malware research, analysis and response to protect the community against malware threats.

"This is another milestone for CyberSecurity Malaysia in recognition of its technical expertise, leadership as well as professionalism. As the Chair, we are responsible to provide strategic direction and guidance to maintain the relevancy of APCERT" said General Tan Sri Dato' Seri Panglima Mohd Azumi Mohamed (Retired), Chairman Board of Directors, CyberSecurity Malaysia.



“CyberSecurity Malaysia will continue to develop and encourage multilateral effort, frameworks, new norms, sharing of information and support a digital order if we are to create a trusted and resilient cyberspace whose future is in the hands of all in the region.”, he continued.

CyberSecurity Malaysia is one of the co-founders of APCERT back in 2002. This is the third appointment as the Chair (2020 – 2021) after the first appointment in 2007 and second appointment in 2019-2020. The agency remains a steering committee member since the inception and will continue until 2021.

About APCERT

The APCERT was established by leading and national Computer Security Incident Response Teams (CSIRTs) from the economies of the Asia Pacific region to improve cooperation, response and information sharing among CSIRTs in the region. APCERT consists of 33 Operational Members from 23 Economies across the Asia and Pacific region, 4 Corporate Partners, 4 Liaison Partners, and 2 Strategic Partners. Further information about APCERT can be found at: www.apcert.org/.

About CyberSecurity Malaysia

CyberSecurity Malaysia is the national cyber security specialist and technical agency under the purview of the Ministry of Communications and Multimedia Malaysia (KKMM). CyberSecurity Malaysia provides specialised cyber security services such as: Cyber Security Emergency Services, Security Quality Management Services, InfoSecurity Professional Development and Outreach, and Cyber Security Strategic Engagement and Research.

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