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CYBER SECURITY SET TO FUEL MALAYSIA'S ECONOMIC GROWTH
Cyber Security Malaysia Awards, Conference and Exhibition 2013 (CSM-ACE)
to reinforce the critical role of cyber security in advancing economic and
social development

KUALA LUMPUR (30 October 2013) - CyberSecurity Malaysia, the national cyber security specialist under the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI) will be organizing CyberSecurity Malaysia Awards, Conference and Exhibition (CSM-ACE) 2013 from 13 to 14 November 2013, at The Royale Chulan Hotel Kuala Lumpur.

Themed **'Securing Cyberspace for Economic Growth'**, CSM-ACE 2013 will focus on the strategic role of cyber security in driving Malaysia's economy to greater growth and progress. It underscores the importance of ensuring a safe, secure and resilient cyberspace which governments, businesses and citizens can access with confidence. The multiple plenary sessions will explore legal challenges in today's digital environment, cyber security threat landscape, mobile security issues, big data analytics, and security risks in cloud computing.

The two-day event will bring together some 300 leading cyber security experts and leaders from Malaysia and within the region participating in multi-track conference sessions. In conjunction with this conference, there will be a trade exhibition showcasing the latest cutting-edge ICT security products and solutions. Among the exhibitors will be 36 multinational organizations and home-grown Malaysian companies which are poised to penetrate the global ICT market. Some of the leading companies include BAE Systems, BDO, Deloitte, Fortinet, ISC8, Kaspersky and SAI Global.

CyberSecurity Malaysia will also showcase its comprehensive range of national cyber security specialist services, which includes the Cyber999, Digital Forensics, the Malaysian Common Criteria Evaluation & Certification (MyCC) Scheme, and the Malaysia Trustmark for Private Sector.

"Cyber security is fast emerging as a new engine of growth for Malaysia. We have developed a vibrant cyber security industry with strong potential to offer global solutions as well as ICT certification, assurance and evaluation services which are at par with international standards. We hope a stronger cyber security industry will help to bolster projects under the Digital Malaysia initiative, which is targeting an increase in Gross National Index (GNI) contribution of digital technologies to 17% of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and creating 160,000 high value jobs by the year 2020," said Dr. Amirudin Abdul Wahab, CEO of CyberSecurity Malaysia during a pre-event media briefing.

At the same time, he cautioned that the increasing number and sophistication of cyber threats is set to significantly impact Malaysia's economic competitiveness. "We must secure our cyberspace to ensure that we can continue to grow the country's economy. It is not only a matter

of national security, but it also increasingly defines our nation's competitive advantage in the global economy," he said.

Between January and July this year, the Royal Malaysia Police recorded RM1.07 billion in losses from cybercrime with 7,801 of the 9,857 cases reported solved and 3,385 people detained.

"CSM-ACE 2013 will provide a valuable platform for security experts and industry practitioners to discuss national and global perspectives on national cyber security policies with an aim to develop more robust governance and compliance mechanisms," added Dr Amirudin.

The major highlight of CSM-ACE 2013 will be the conferment of Malaysia Cyber Security Awards to recognize highly talented information security professionals, homegrown SMEs and local organizations for their outstanding contributions. The awards are expected to further spur innovation, commitment, and foster strategic alliances within the local security and ICT industry.

The 2013 awards will be divided into seven categories:

- Cyber Security Professional of the Year
- Cyber Security Company of the Year
- Cyber Security Organization of the Year
- Cyber Security Education & Training Provider of the Year
- Cyber Security Outreach Provider of the Year
- Cyber Security Project of the Year
- CyberSAFE Ambassador of the Year

CSM-ACE 2013 will feature two (2) conference tracks namely Governance & Risk Management as well as Technical. The 300 delegates expected at the conference are from the government, public and private sectors including those from Critical National Information Infrastructure (CNII) sectors.

There will be four satellite events surrounding the CSM-ACE 2013 at the Royale Chulan Kuala Lumpur, namely:
- The 13th Regional Asia Information Security Exchange (RAISE) Forum Meeting on 11-12 November
- The 2nd Annual CISO Asia Summit on 12 November
- Digital Forensics First Responder Training on 12 November
- CyberSAFE@CSM-ACE2013 (which include the final round of the National ICT Security Debate: CyberSAFE Challenge Trophy) on 14 November.

For more details of the CSM-ACE 2013, please visit www.csm-ace.my

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