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## "CYBERSECURITY MALAYSIA APPOINTED AS SECRETARIAT OF THE OIC-CERT"

OIC-CERT ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2012 29 - 31 December 2012 Al Bustan Palace-a Ritz-Carlton Hotel, Muscat, Oman

(KUALA LUMPUR) – CyberSecurity Malaysia, an agency under the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI) has been appointed as the Secretariat to the Organisation of the Islamic Conference-Computer Emergency Response Team or in short OIC-CERT at the OIC-CERT Annual General Meeting (AGM) 2012 which was recently held in Muscat, Sultanate of Oman. With this appointment, CyberSecurity Malaysia is now holding the Chair and also Secretariat position of the OIC-CERT.

General Tan Sri Dato' Seri Panglima Mohd Azumi Mohamed, the Chairman of CyberSecurity Malaysia and also the Chair of the OIC-CERT, said: "CyberSecurity Malaysia is proud and honoured to be entrusted to lead the cyber security efforts among the OIC member countries. It is a recognition of leadership, professionalism and technical expertise of CyberSecurity Malaysia by the members of the OIC-CERT in the field of cyber security."

Tan Sri Azumi also said that, "The OIC-CERT has undergone various developments since the idea was conceived in 2005. I am delighted to see new and potential members who grace the OIC-CERT event and this has a tremendous positive impact on our activities and has helped realize many great achievements that have advanced OIC-CERT in the cyber security spheres."





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In reinforcing the administrative structure of the OIC-CERT, the members have unanimously dimension agreed on the idea of having an OIC-CERT Permanent Secretariat Office which is beneficial for the continuance in the governance and smooth operation of the collaboration.

Another outcome of this AGM is for OIC-CERT to have the OIC-CERT Cyber Drill 2013 in the first half of this year. The objective of this exercise is mainly to assess the response capability of the members' Computer Security Incident Response Teams (CSIRT) and to familiarize with the latest technology and trends in mitigating cyber threats.

The meeting also agreed that under the training and capacity building initiative, five (5) member countries which are Pakistan, Oman, Brunei, Indonesia and United Arab Emirates has offered their training facilities to develop national CERT capacity for member countries.

The OIC-CERT AGM 2012 was recently held concurrently with the OIC-CERT Annual Conference from 29 to 31 December 2012. This event which was hosted by the Oman National Computer Emergency Readiness Team (**OCERT**), an initiative under the Information Telecommunications Authority of Oman (**ITA**) and jointly organised by CyberSecurity Malaysia has drawn interest from participants of 20 countries. The event was officiated by the Minister of Legal Affairs of the Sultanate of Oman, HE Dr. Abdulla bin Mohammed bin Said Al Saeed.

## About OIC-CERT

OIC-CERT was established in year 2009, 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. OIC-CERT consists of 22 CERTs and cyber security related agencies from 18 economies. Further information about OIC-CERT can be found on: www.oic-cert.net.

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