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(ISC)^{2®} Announces New Affiliated Local Interest Group in Singapore

Association of Information Security Professionals (AISP) provides support to local information security professionals

Singapore, Nov 25, 2008 − (ISC)^{2®} ("ISC-squared"), the not-for-profit global leader in educating and certifying information security professionals throughout their careers, today announced that the Association of Information Security Professionals (AISP) in Singapore has joined the (ISC)² global Affiliated Local Interest Group (ALIG) program, which supports local information security professional associations around the world. With this new addition, there are now six (ISC)² ALIGs in the Asia-Pacific region.

An AISP & (ISC)² Members' Networking Event was held in early November to officiate the launch of the ALIG agreement between AISP and (ISC)². The affiliation enables joint collaboration in professional development events in Singapore and it also allows recognition of AISP events for (ISC)²'s Continuing Professional Education (CPE) program. The next AISP events will be as follows:

Date:	Topic:	Speaker:	Venue:
6.30 - 8.30 pm	Evening talk on IT	Mr Lim Kian Kim,	Singapore
January 8 2009	Governance: The Role of	senior lecturer,	Computer Society
Evening	Whistle Blowing Program In	Nanyang	Resource Centre
	Challenging Economic Times	Polytechnic	
1.30 - 5.30 pm	Academy Series: Profiling &	Mr Christopher	Singapore
January 20	Hunting Wireless hackers- A	Low, co-founder of	Management
2009	practitioner's approach to	ThinkSecure Pte	University
	safeguarding corporate IT	Ltd	Seminar Room

AISP was registered with the assistance of the Singapore Computer Society (SCS) and the strong support of the Infocomm Development Authority of Singapore (IDA) in February 2008. It aims to promote, develop, support and enhance the integrity, technical competence, management expertise, status and interests of information security professionals in



Singapore. AISP also aims to further educate their members, as well as the general public, in information security as well as other related subjects.

Gerard Tan, President, AISP said, "AISP aims to develop a solid career path for information security professionals in Singapore and elevate the standing, professionalism and trust accorded to security practitioners here. We plan to achieve this through professional development programs, development of a Body of Knowledge, and an examination to help those who do not possess the requisite academic or professional credentials to qualify for membership."

"Since 2005, the ALIG program has proven to be very successful in supporting information security professionals by providing them with a local support and networking hub. We are excited to see AISP joining the ALIG program in the Asia-Pacific region. A strong organization like AISP is pivotal in building a critical pool of competent information security professionals whom subscribe to the highest professional standards. We are honoured to have an affiliation with AISP in Singapore," said Elise Yacobellis, director of corporate development, (ISC)².

Launched in 2005, the ALIG program aims to help local interest groups support their members by offering enhanced benefits, such as convenient education opportunities and greater access to other local professionals and peer networking opportunities. The initiative also aims to increase awareness of the importance and benefits involved in professional certification and continuing professional education among information security professionals.

Current (ISC) ALIG members in the Asia-Pacific region include:

- * Australian Information Security Association (www.aisa.org.au)
- * Hong Kong Professional Information Security Association (www.pisa.org.hk)
- * Korea CISSP Chapter (www.cisspkorea.or.kr)
- * Malaysia INFOSEC.my (www.cybersecurity.org.my)
- * Singapore Association of Information Security Professionals (www.aisp.sg)
- * Thailand Information Security Association (www.tisa.or.th)

About AISP

AISP is a Government and Industry collaboration which aims to transform information security into a distinguished profession while also building a critical pool of competent information security professionals who subscribe to the highest professional standards. As the first such association in Asia, it hopes to elevate the standing, professionalism and trust accorded to security practitioners in this region. AISP has four categories of membership: Fellows, Ordinary, Associate and Students. Fellows are persons who have made exemplary contributions to the field or profession of information security. These individuals may be invited for membership under the Fellow category. Ordinary members are persons who meet the qualification criteria set by the Executive Committee and who are employed in Information Security activities or professional practices related to Information Security for such periods of time and may be determined by the Executive Committee from time to time. Associate members are persons who do not meet the qualification criteria for Ordinary membership but have met other relevant qualification criteria set by the Executive Committee and whom are



employed in Information Security activities or professional practices related to Information Security for such periods of time and may be determined by the Executive Committee from time to time. Associate Members do not have voting rights and are not eligible to stand for office. Student members are persons who do not qualify for any other category of Membership and who are pursuing approved courses in educational institutions or professional bodies (whether in Singapore or overseas) with the expressed intention of obtaining the qualifications recognised by the Association in the future. Student Members do not have any voting rights and are not eligible to stand for office. More information is available at www.aisp.sg

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The International Information Systems Security Certification Consortium, Inc. [(ISC)^{2®}] is the globally recognized *Gold Standard* for certifying information security professionals. Founded in 1989, (ISC)² has certified over 60,000 information security professionals in 138 countries. Based in Palm Harbor, Florida, USA, with offices in Washington, D.C., London, Hong Kong and Tokyo, (ISC)² issues the Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP*) and related concentrations, Certified Secure Software Lifecycle Professional (CSSLP^{CM}), Certification and Accreditation Professional (CAP*), and Systems Security Certified Practitioner (SSCP*) credentials to those meeting necessary competency requirements. (ISC)² CISSP and related concentrations, CAP, and the SSCP certifications are among the first information technology credentials to meet the stringent requirements of ANSI/ISO/IEC Standard 17024, a global benchmark for assessing and certifying personnel. (ISC)² also offers a continuing professional education program, a portfolio of education products and services based upon (ISC)²'s CBK®, a compendium of information security topics, and is responsible for the (ISC)² Global Information Security Workforce Study. More information is available at www.isc2.org.

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