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### FREDDY TAN JOINS (ISC)²® BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### *Security Veteran Brings Valuable Regional and Industry Experience to Global Information Security Professional Body*

**Singapore, March 9, 2009** –(ISC)²® (“ISC-squared”), the not-for-profit global leader in educating and certifying information security professionals throughout their careers, today announced Freddy Tan, CISSP, based in Singapore, has been appointed to its Board of Directors. Freddy is the only one representative from Asia on the (ISC)² Board of Directors. Other new members include Dan Houser, CISSP-ISSAP, CISM, security and identity architect for a healthcare organization in the U.S., and Jane Scott-Norris, CISSP-ISSAP, ISSMP, CAP, CISM, security consultant and former CIO of the U.S. Department of State.

Freddy has more than 25 years of experience in enabling emerging information communications (infocomm) markets to “level up” their security posture so that they and their communities trust infocomm services. Currently, Freddy is the chief security advisor with Microsoft Asia, where he is responsible for communicating Microsoft’s security strategy and architecture, identifying emerging security trends, and cultivating relationships with governments, law enforcement, financial services, industry associations and academia to foster a spirit of collaboration and mutual support. Before Microsoft, Freddy served with the Ministry of Defense, Singapore (MINDEF) and Singapore Armed Forces. In the course of his 25 years with the MINDEF, he was involved in many aspects of infocomm security, ranging from security policy formulation to security monitoring and incident response. During his time at MINDEF, he was also responsible for establishing the Ministry’s 24x7 Computer Security Monitoring & Investigation Centre (COSMIC) and the Singapore Armed Forces Computer Emergency Response Team (SAFCERT).

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Freddy is also a member of the (ISC)<sup>2</sup> Asian Advisory Board and was awarded the (ISC)<sup>2</sup> President's Award in 2003 in recognition for his volunteer work with (ISC)<sup>2</sup>. He replaces Dr. Peter Berlich, CISSP-ISSMP, CISA, CISM, who recently stepped down from the Board of Directors.

“Since 2000, I have been involved with volunteering for various (ISC)<sup>2</sup> activities to promote security competency and certifications. I am honored that the appointment as a member of the Board of Directors will allow me to continue to work with this distinguished group of professionals and regional partners in the security community to promote security competency and professionalism. The desire is to see an Internet that is safe for governments and businesses to thrive securely, society to form social communities with complete trust and individuals who transact and share with privacy ensured,” said Freddy. “I would like to see (ISC)<sup>2</sup> continue its momentum as the premier certification provider in the information security profession, as well as focus on demonstrating the value of its certifications to employers, especially in the emerging markets in Asia.”

The Board has also elected its 2009 executive officers. They are:

**Chairperson Patricia (Pat) Myers, CISSP-ISSMP** – A 20-plus year veteran of the information security industry, Myers has been on the (ISC)<sup>2</sup> Board since 1999 and served on its Executive Committee since 2000, holding the positions of treasurer, vice chairperson and chairperson for two previous terms. She has worked extensively in the financial services industry, having served as managing director for information security services at Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. Most recently, Myers was an information security manager for a large, specialty retailer based in San Francisco, Calif. In 1995, she became one of the first woman security professionals to obtain (ISC)<sup>2</sup>'s Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP<sup>®</sup>) credential.

**Vice Chairperson Howard A. Schmidt, CISSP, CISM (Hon)** – Schmidt's 40-year security career has spanned defense, law enforcement and corporate security. He is currently president and CEO of the Information Security Forum (ISF), and has had a long association with (ISC)<sup>2</sup>, serving as (ISC)<sup>2</sup> Security Strategist as well as sitting on a number of boards and committees. Schmidt's resume includes previous positions as White House cyber security advisor, vice president and chief information security officer for eBay Inc, and chief security officer for Microsoft, Corp. He is also currently the international president of the Information Systems Security Association (ISSA) and is active in a number of other international industry organizations, associations and boards.

**Treasurer Diana-Lynn Contesti, CISSP-ISSAP, ISSMP, CSSLP, SSCP**, – For the last 15 years, Contesti has been part of the computer support organization of a large Canadian integrated steel manufacturer, where she has developed an information security model, developer's guidelines, and various policies and procedures for the organization. She has also been intimately involved with (ISC)<sup>2</sup> for a number of years, having sat on the (ISC)<sup>2</sup> Board of Directors since 2000, chairing the strategy and nominations committees, and serving as co-chair of its Advisory Board of the Americas. Contesti has also been active in the development of (ISC)<sup>2</sup> curriculum and educational materials.

**Secretary Rolf Moulton, CISSP-ISSMP** – Moulton is currently a director at Risk Reduction Solutions and previously served as interim president and CEO of (ISC)<sup>2</sup>, as well as its Board treasurer, head of the Audit Committee and a member of the Board Strategy Committee. He has authored many professional articles, a security management text book, and was a participating developer of BS7799 and ISO17779. Moulton is a member of the IACP and Rotary International.

“During these uncertain times, it is more important than ever for the Board to listen to our members to find out what we can and should be doing for them and the industry,” said Myers, the incumbent chairperson. “While we are saddened to lose the contributions from Peter Berlich, a longtime, dedicated friend of and contributor to (ISC)<sup>2</sup>, I am confident we are poised to meet the challenges we face. I look forward to working with our members around the world in the coming year to understand how we can best support them as they navigate the waters ahead.”

“As we enter our 20<sup>th</sup> year of service, information security professionals are facing more complex challenges than ever before,” said W. Hord Tipton, CISSP-ISSEP, CAP, CISA, executive director of (ISC)<sup>2</sup>. “I look forward to working with Freddy and the entire Board to ensure we respond to our members’ ever-changing career needs in new ways.”

For a complete list of current Board members, please visit <https://www.isc2.org/board-of-directors.aspx>

#### **About (ISC)<sup>2</sup>**

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