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MIMOS and Oracle to Develop Agricultural Grid

Both parties to jointly develop and deploy the Agriculture Sensor Grid pilot project under KnowledgeGRID Malaysia to promote sensor-based Grid services for future Agro-Bio markets

KUALA LUMPUR, 25 February, 2008 — MIMOS, Malaysia’s leading applied research organisation in frontier technologies, and Oracle, the world largest enterprise software company announced a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to jointly develop and deploy a Sensor Grid pilot project for the agriculture business sector under KnowledgeGRID Malaysia.

The scope of the project is an integration of Oracle Fusion Middleware and Oracle Database with the precision sensors developed by MIMOS to arrive at a real-time crop monitoring, analysis, proactive and preventive care solution for the agriculture industry.

“The commercial potential for an agriculture Grid solution is tremendous as Malaysia has various agricultural crops with high economic impact such as palm oil, rice, rubber and cocoa. We believe that done right, this solution will take agriculture in Malaysia to the next level, in line with the impacts envisioned by the KnowledgeGRID Malaysia on multiple domestic industries,” said Dato’ Abdul Wahab Abdullah, MIMOS President & Chief Executive Officer.

The MIMOS-Oracle pilot project targets to collect, store and process information coming from 3,000 Precision Agriculture Micro-Electro-Mechanical Systems (MEMS) sensors to be developed by MIMOS into a real time sensor data solution, and the consequent development of applications from the information gathered for preventive and proactive management of the agriculture business.

“MIMOS’ charter is to be a premier applied research centre in frontier technologies and this includes research into Grid computing related solutions,” said Dato’ Abdul Wahab Abdullah, MIMOS President & Chief Executive Officer. “With this agreement with Oracle – one of the world’s leading authorities on Grid computing – we will be jointly developing a Proof of Concept for future commercialisation and service provisioning as a utility under the KnowledgeGRID Malaysia.”

The target end-users for the KnowledgeGRID Malaysia are universities, research institutions, public sector research organisations and other private organisations.

“We are seeing impressive adoption of Grid computing from around the region and the world, yet what MIMOS is doing today is possibly one of the most groundbreaking,” said K. Raman, Managing Director of Oracle Corporation Malaysia. “To develop a Grid-based solution for the agriculture business truly shows that Grid computing has arrived for the masses and is applicable to just about every business vertical there is out there.”

“Oracle is delighted to support the KnowledgeGRID Malaysia initiative and very excited to be working with MIMOS to help develop a national infrastructure that maximises computing resources to accelerate research and industrial development for national wealth and value creation. What MIMOS is doing will certainly increase Malaysia’s competitiveness in technology advancement regionally and globally,” he added.

Spearheaded by MIMOS, the KnowledgeGRID Malaysia is a grid computing platform that provides secure, dependable, consistent, pervasive and inexpensive access to computational and data capabilities nationwide. It is an initiative under the 9th Malaysia Plan aimed at making a national information technology utility service for research, education and commercial purposes a reality.

Under the 9th Malaysia Plan, Grid Computing is highlighted as a means to reduce the cost of investment in science and engineering research through the efficient sharing of computer resources to provide affordable tools and resources for local researchers and industry players in support of the knowledge economy.

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About MIMOS

MIMOS pursues exploratory and industry-driven applied research through multi-stakeholder smart partnerships with universities, research institutes, Government and industries with a focus on frontier technologies. MIMOS' applied research areas, based on real-world trends, are cyberspace security, encryption systems, grid computing, communication technologies, MEMS/NEMS, advanced informatics, knowledge technology and micro energy.

MIMOS is the recipient of Frost & Sullivan's Growth Excellence Award 2007 for Industry Innovation & Advancement (Precision Agriculture) for its application and development of Micro Electro Mechanical System (MEMS) in the field of precision agriculture.

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