Partners in infosecurity research

MIMOS and German-based university sign agreement.

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Malaysian government applied research agency MIMOS has signed an agreement with German-based Ruhr-University, Bochum (RUB) to nurture trusted computing technology.

Under the agreement, MIMOS will collaborate with RUB on Trusted Infrastructure projects with the ultimate aim of developing information security technology platforms for commercialisation in the Asia Pacific, including Malaysia and Europe.

According to MIMOS, the concept of Trusted Infrastructure relates to building enhanced security into communications infrastructure by embedding trusted computing functionalities into its components.

Information security boost

The collaboration with RUB would enable the two organisations to combine their research and development strengths, share resources and exchange results of innovations, particularly in information security.

RUB was chosen as MIMOS' partner of choice as it is the largest university-based research centre in Trusted Infrastructure in Europe. The collaboration will see more than 30 researchers from MIMOS and RUB collaborating to develop Trusted Computing and Trusted Infrastructure projects.

RUB joins MIMOS' growing network of dedicated partners. To date MIMOS has established many collaborations with both foreign and local universities such as University of Surrey in the United Kingdom, Institut Teknologi Bandung, Institut Teknologi Sepuloh Nopember, and Universitas Indonesia as well as 14 local universities.

MIMOS Head of Information Security Cluster **Prof. Dr. Mohamed Ridza Wahiddin** (left) and Head of System Security Group at Horst Goetz Institute for IT Security, Ruhr-University Bochum, **Prof. Dr. Ahmad-Reza Sadeghi** exchanging MoA documents. At centre is Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation Deputy Secretary-General, STI Policy **Datin Madinah Mohamad**.