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Tie-up to cover area of product development

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KUALA LUMPUR: Information and communication technology (ICT) security solutions provider SCAN Associates Bhd is in talks with Mimos Bhd to further develop and commercialise the latter's research technologies.

The collaboration, which was pending the final discussions between the two parties, would cover the area of product development that would allow Mimos to continue its research and development (R&D) while SCAN will distribute and market the products.

In a statement yesterday, SCAN said if the collaboration materialised, it would become the first technology business partner to further develop and commercialise Mimos' research technologies. "The current developHeadline SCAN, Mimos in talks to collaborate

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SCAN said it had been recommended to the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation by Mimos following a strict selection process based on its strengths in R&D, its business and technological focus, as well as its global presence.

The collaboration would involve some of the Cyber Security product portfolio researched and developed by Mimos which were Certificate Authority Engine for MyKad codename CA4MyKad, First Live CD, Cyber Early Warning System (CEWS) and Secure Electronic Document System (SEDS).

Moreover, it may also include several business entities in Mimos that focus on the area of Cyber Security such as Digicert Sdn Bhd, iVEST and Malaysia Microelectronics Solutions Sdn Bhd.

"The collaboration will further enhance SCAN's capability in offering more cryptography-related products to complement its product range of TRUSTMatrix, GrixDrive and MatrixNet. This will augur well for a company like SCAN which has started making inroads into the overseas markets," said SCAN's technology director Norbik Bashah Idris.