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Security meet to focus on safe cities

350 exhibitors taking part in third edition of expo

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THE region's leading Security, Fire and Safety Exhibition and Conference South-East Asia (IFSEC SEA) is back, bigger and better, and will be opening its doors from Sept 2 to 4 at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre.

Returning for its third edition, IFSEC SEA continues to be the platform for all security, fire and safety professionals to access the latest solutions in closed-circuit television (CCTV), surveillance, biometric access, perimeter security, access control and other sectors available in the market.

Industry-related experts can look forward to this highly anticipated event that will host over 350 exhibitors, including from Britain, Taiwan, China and Singapore, and key players like Panasonic, Sony, Samsung Techwin, Dahua, Fingertec and Bricomp will be showcasing their latest technological advancements, solutions and services.

A key highlight of IFSEC SEA 2015 is the introduction of a new event called Safe Cities – an approach to urban security – featuring the ability to efficiently and effectively react, respond and monitor incidents related to crime, terrorism, accidents or natural disasters.

The four areas that will be focused on within Safe Cities are Critical National Infrastructure, Public Order, Cyber Security and Counter-Terrorism.

Co-located with Safe Cities is the Rail Business Asia 2015, which will be featuring leading brands and

solution providers in the rail industry.

Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB) Malaysia chief executive Datuk Seri Dr Judin Abdul Karim pointed out that the country was into the rail business in a big way such as the Light Rail Transit (LRT) and Mass Rapid Transit (MRT).

“With so much going on, we need to get people up to speed on current situations and educate them on what is to come. By understanding safety issues, we can create a safer city that's livable and sustainable,” he said.

There will also be a free-to-attend seminar, the IFSEC Global Security Technology Showcase, in which security, fire and safety experts will be introducing and discussing 17 topics, focusing on the latest challenges and solutions in the industry.

IFSEC SEA is strongly supported by the Home Affairs Ministry (MOHA), Urban Well-being, Housing and Local Government Ministry (KPKT), the Royal Malaysia Police (RMP), **CyberSecurity Malaysia**, the British Security Industry Association (BSIA), American Society of Industrial Security (ASIS) and the Asian Professional Security Association (APSA) Malaysia Chapter.

APSA will also be having its own conference themed “Strategising Public and Community Security in a Developing Nation”, which aims to educate the public on the latest evolving threats and measures to counter the threats, including topics on safe city, gated communities, continuous surveillance, community support groups and community policing, and terrorism.

“The people's sense of well-being may be adversely affected by high levels of insecurity. Such insecurity includes loss of property, or even life

as a result of criminal violence. There is no question that if such events are widespread, they have a serious negative impact on many people's lives, and will affect development,” said Asian Professional Security Association (Malaysia) president Datuk Seri Mustapa Ali.

“While the police force has taken a number of initiatives to combat and prevent crime, success in reducing crime can only come about with the co-operation of all parties involved.

“I urge all Malaysians to stand together with our police force to prevent loss of lives and property. I also call upon the security personnel to adopt technology that will improve effectiveness and productivity.

“International exhibitions and conferences such as IFSEC South-East Asia play an important role in the introduction of new technologies and promoting business networking and, more importantly, act as a platform to develop regional co-operation in tackling issues in security,” said Inspector-General of Police Tan Sri Khalid Abu Bakar in a statement.

Khalid will be officiating IFSEC SEA 2015.

United Business Media (UBM) Asean Business Development director Eliane Van Doorn said they were confident the event would be the best platform to discover new technologies and innovations while building networks and businesses with other professionals and industry players.

UBM Malaysia is the organiser of IFSEC SEA.

It is a global events-led marketing and communications service business that helps businesses connect with their targeted audience through live events, press releases, digital and print media.

To know more about IFSEC SEA, readers can visit www.ifsecsea.com.

Hazy till middle of next month

Peninsula's
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PETALING JAYA: The haze is expected to go on until mid-September with the peninsula's west coast suffering the most from Indonesia's open burning.

Meteorological Department spokesman Dr Hisham Mohd Anip said the situation would likely continue until the southwest monsoon season ends.

Coastal states from Kedah down to Johor could be the hardest hit, he said.

He said Sarawak may see its haze situation improve over the next few days as the winds were set to change direction.

At the moment, winds from Indonesia were carrying the smoke from Kalimantan and Sumatra to Malaysia and Singapore.

Open burning at plantations and forest areas is common in Indonesia as it was the fastest and easiest



Fish can't wait: A man ignoring the haze in Port Klang as he tries his luck at fishing around 2.30pm yesterday.

method of clearing land.

Hisham said there could be more rain here next month when the winds change during the inter-mon-

soon period, which would help clear the haze.

But he warned that the Indonesian weather could also get

drier, resulting in increased hot spots and more smoke being blown here unless the fires were put out before then.

The global El Nino weather phenomenon was also expected to increase the chances of hot and dry weather in Indonesia, Hisham added.

According to the Air Pollutant Index (API), Seri Manjung in Perak had the unhealthiest air in the country yesterday.

The API level there spiked to 103 at 11am before declining to 100 at 3pm.

Port Klang in Selangor had its highest API reading of 102 at 3am.

In George Town, Penang, **CHRISTOPHER TAN** reported that the air quality there continued to climb towards unhealthy levels yesterday.

The API reading in Seberang Jaya 2 went from 87 at 6am to 91 at 10am while in Gelugor, it was 89 at 6am and 97 at 10am.

In Prai, it was 78 at 6am and 81 at 10am.

By 1pm, the readings increased to 93 in Seberang Jaya 2, 98 in Gelugor and 83 in Prai.

The Sabah Meteorological Department director Abdul Malek Tussin said that the haze in the state was not as bad as that in the peninsula.

An API reading of between 0 and 50 is good, 51 to 100 is moderate, 101 to 200 is unhealthy, 201 to 300 is very unhealthy, while 301 and above is hazardous.

226 titik panas di Indonesia punca jerebu

» Beberapa kawasan dijangka alami pencemaran sehingga Sabtu

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Sebanyak 226 titik panas dikesan di Indonesia yang dipercayai menyumbang kepada keadaan berjerebu di negara ini.

Ia membabitkan 152 di Sumatera dan 74 di Kalimantan. Bagaimanapun, tiada titik panas dikesan di Semenanjung, Sabah dan Sarawak.

Ketua Pengarah Jabatan Meteorologi Malaysia (MetMalaysia), Datuk Che Gayah Ismail, berkata selain itu, taburan titik panas masih dikesan di Sumatera terutama di daerah Jambi dan Sumatera Selatan.

Tiada titik panas di Semenanjung

"Kepulan asap juga dapat dilihat daripada beberapa titik panas. Daripada pemerhatian, jerebu sederhana hingga tebal dilaporkan di wilayah Kalimantan.

"Tiada titik panas dikesan di

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Semenanjung, Sarawak dan Sabah, Kalimantan Tengah dan Selatan juga diselubungi jerebu sederhana akibat kebakaran tanah secara berterusan baru-baru ini," katanya kepada BH.

Che Gayah berkata, negara dijangka mengalami cuaca lebih lembap berbanding sebelum ini berikutan Siklon Tropika Goni di Lautan Pasifik yang sudah berakhir.

Cuaca kering berterusan

Bagaimanapun, katanya, cuaca kering dijangka berterusan dalam masa terdekat.

Berikutan itu, negeri di pantai barat Semenanjung dan barat Sarawak dijangka terus mengalami keadaan berjerebu sehingga Sabtu ini.

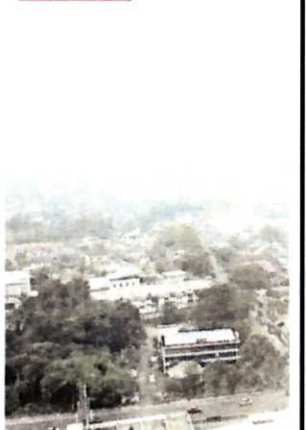
"Berdasarkan Model Hysplit, jerebu sederhana berpunca dari titik panas di Riau, Jambi dan Sumatera Selatan, Indonesia dijangka merentasi Selat Melaka ke arah Pantai Barat Semenanjung.

"Jerebu sederhana ini dijangka berterusan di negeri di bahagian utara dan Pantai Barat Semenanjung dalam tempoh 48 jam berikutnya," katanya.

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