OPENING SPEECH

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CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION (CSM-ACE),
APCERT & OIC-CERT CONFERENCE 2015
THE ROYALE CHULAN, KUALA LUMPUR

10.00 AM : 10 SEPTEMBER 2015 (THURSDAY)

☐ Yang Berbahagia Dato' Sri Dr. Noorul Ainur binti Mohd. Nur, Secretary General, Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI)

☐ Yang Amat Berbahagia General Tan Sri Dato' Seri Panglima Mohd Azumi Bin Mohamed (Retired), Chairman of Board of Directors, CyberSecurity Malaysia

☐ Yang Berusaha Dr. Amirudin Abdul Wahab, Chief Executive Officer of CyberSecurity Malaysia

☐ Distinguished Delegates from the Asia Pacific Computer Emergency Response Team (APCERT) and the Organization of the Islamic Cooperation - Computer Emergency Response Team (OIC-CERT)

☐ Distinguished Delegates, Participants to the Cyber Security Malaysia - Awards, Conference & Exhibition 2015

☐ Partners, Corporate Sponsors and Supporting Organizations

☐ Members of the Media

☐ Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen

Selamat Pagi, Salam Sejahtera and Salam 1 Malaysia.

1. *Selamat Datang*, Welcome everyone to this year's edition of Cyber Security Malaysia – Awards, Conference and Exhibition (CSM-Ace 2015).

2. Let me first say that the CSM-Ace is very special this year because we are also hosting the Annual General Meeting and Conference of the **Asia Pacific Computer Emergency Response Team** (AP-Cert); and the **Organization of Islamic Cooperation - Computer Emergency Response Team** (OIC-Cert).

3. These are two of the world's most important cyber security organisations.

4. On behalf of the Government of Malaysia, the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation, or MOSTI and CyberSecurity Malaysia, I would like to record our greatest appreciation to AP-Cert and OIC-Cert members for giving us this opportunity to be your host.

5. A special note of appreciation also goes to the delegates and speakers who travelled from as far away as the USA, Europe, South America, Russia and Middle East. Thank you so much for coming. I wish you all a pleasant stay in Malaysia and a safe, comfortable journey home.

   Ladies and Gentlemen.

6. CSM-Ace is a much awaited annual event where cyber security players gather to exchange the latest ideas and research findings on management, technology and policy in cyber security.

7. As a public-private partnership event, the CSM-Ace is an excellent example of a perfect networking platform for synergistic business collaborations.

8. CSM-Ace is also an occasion of celebration. Last night, the Malaysia Cyber Security Awards were presented to outstanding individuals and organizations who have contributed significantly to the cyber security industry in Malaysia.

9. In this regard, I would like to commend the hard work and dedication that have been put through by the members of the Organizing Committee. *Syabas dan tahniah!*

   Ladies and Gentlemen

10. As we embrace technology we are also facing challenges. It is unfortunate that Internet, the wonderful technological creation that exerts a great influence on economic growth and prosperity, is being abused for unethical and criminal activities.

11. These challenges involved among others cyber threat. For the first six-month of this year alone, CyberSecurity Malaysia received 5,948 cyber threat incident reports which is 44 per cent higher than 4,117 cases reported in the corresponding period last year.

12. While in 2014, CyberSecurity Malaysia received a total of 11,918 incident reports, which was 12 per cent higher than the 10,636 cases reported in 2013.

13. It is a common knowledge that cyber-threats transcend borders as well as time zones and detrimental to global peace and prosperity therefore it must be emphasized that it is impossible for any one country to act alone against cyber-crime and succeeds.

14. There must be concerted efforts between all stakeholders of different nations to deal with cyber-crimes.

15. Hence, the theme 'Bridging The World – Go Cyber Green' is well suited for this year's spectacular events by CyberSecurity Malaysia, AP-Cert and OIC-Cert.

16. Aimed at promoting greater cross-border cooperation on cyber security, this year's theme underscores the urgency for all countries to foster greater international collaboration in order to enhance cyber security capabilities and to improve cross-border collaboration.

17. By going Cyber Green it will mark the start of a journey that is based upon a common mission and vision **to ensure our cyber ecosystem is clean, secure and free from malicious threats**.

    Ladies and Gentlemen.

18. In Malaysia, the Cyber Green initiative is led by CyberSecurity Malaysia, which is an agency under my Ministry, the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation.

19. MOSTI strongly support the Cyber Green initiatives for Malaysia and the world.

20. I believe that a cyber ecosystem that is clean, secure and free from malicious threats would be conducive for achieving MOSTI's Key Result Areas (KRA), for instance the KRA on "Intensification of Research and Development (R&D) in Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) Services Provided."

21. Being R&D driven agency under MOSTI, CyberSecurity Malaysia hasevolved positively from just a cyber emergency service provider to a globally renowned organisation focusing on cyber security and safety. Perhaps, the secret of CyberSecurity Malaysia's success lies in its yearn for continuous learning and improvement as well as strategic research and development projects funded under the Malaysia Plan.

22. One of the notable R&D projects launched by Cybersecurity Malaysia on 17th Feb this year is the Cyber Forensics X Lab. It is a state-of-the-art R&D laboratory.

23. For example, they are now developing facial recognition technologies, which use twin cameras and infra-red to track the subject.

24. The Cyber Forensics X Lab is also a platform for Law Enforcement Agencies, Regulatory Bodies, and other cyber security industry players to work together with CyberSecurity Malaysia to produce solutions, tools or products to improve security in cyber space.

25. For the upcoming 11th Malaysia Plan, CyberSecurity Malaysia's R&D initiatives would include cryptography, mobile Internet of Thing (IoT) as well as advanced malware research, to name a few.

Ladies and Gentlemen.

26. **I was informed that during the AP-Cert Annual General Meeting two days ago, its members have elected CERT Australia as its new Chair and CyberSecurity Malaysia as the Deputy. Congratulations to CERT Australia and CyberSecurity Malaysia on your appointment and I wish you every success in your new duties.**

27. **CyberSecurity Malaysia is also the Permanent Secretariat of the OIC-Cert. Together with the new post as AP-Cert Deputy Chair, these positions marked the recognition of CyberSecurity Malaysia's capability to lead regional cyber security initiatives.**

28. **On behalf of MOSTI, I hereby pledge to support CyberSecurity Malaysia in carrying out these big responsibilities and uphold your trust in Malaysia.**

29. **Other than that, I am proud to announce that during the OIC-Cert AGM yesterday, CyberSecurity Malaysia's Chairman of the Board of Directors, Gen. Tan Sri Dato' Seri Panglima Mohd Azumi Mohamed (Retired) was reappointed as the adviser to OIC-CERT Chair.**

30. **And now, with great pleasure, I hereby officiate the 2015 Cyber Security Malaysia – Awards, Conference & Exhibition; the APCERT AGM and Conference; and the OIC-CERT AGM & Conference.**