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Cyber Security Conference Planned For April 20-21 at U. T. Dallas

Symposium to Feature Leading Researchers, Policymakers

RICHARDSON, Texas (April 12, 2005) — Tips for understanding and counteracting cyber attackers will be presented and discussed by a group of leading researchers and policymakers at a Cyber Security Symposium April 20-21 at The University of Texas at Dallas (UTD).

The event, titled "Understanding and Counteracting Your Cyber Attacker in a Rapidly Changing World," will be hosted by UTD's Cyber Security Research Center and held at the Cyber Security and Emergency Preparedness Institute in the Erik Jonsson School of Engineering and Computer Science.

The conference will bring together leading researchers, policymakers, technologists and social scientists to discuss developments and challenges to understanding and counteracting cyber attackers.

Keynote presentations will be given by top experts in government, industry and academia, including representatives from such organizations as the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the National Security Agency, the Department of the Treasury, the National White Collar Crime Center and the Greater Dallas Crime Commission. Also involved will be heads of such major corporations as Texas Instruments, Alcatel, Oracle and IBM.

A tour of the Cyber Security Research Center's Security Analysis and Information Assurance Laboratory, which has the capability to test and implement new software and tools to fight cyber crime, will be provided on both days of the conference.

The general chairperson of the symposium is Dr. E. Douglas Harris, an associate dean in the Jonsson School and executive director of the CyberSecurity and Emergency Preparedness Institute. The program chairperson is Dr. Bhavani Thuraisingham, a professor of computer science who serves as director of the center. Thuraisingham, who joined UTD last fall, recently was named a Fellow of the British Computer Society.

The Cyber Security Research Center has more than 20 faculty members conducting research in data and applications security, network security, language and systems security, intrusion detection and software assurance. The center has been designated as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance Education by both the National Security Agency and the United States Department of Homeland Security.

The fee to attend both days of the symposium, which is open to the public, is \$75 per person. Lunch will be provided both days. Those interested should contact Irene Rodriguez at 972-883-2563 or visit the symposium Web site at <http://csepi.utdallas.edu/CyberSecuritySymposium.htm>.

About UTD

The University of Texas at Dallas, located at the convergence of Richardson, Plano and Dallas in the heart

of the complex of major multinational technology corporations known as the Telecom Corridor®, enrolls more than 14,000 students. The school's freshman class traditionally stands at the forefront of Texas state universities in terms of average SAT scores. The university offers a broad assortment of bachelor's, master and doctoral degree programs. For additional information about UTD, please visit the university's web site at www.utdallas.edu.

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